

HANSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, September 1, 2026

Chairman Schoenrock with members Bumgardner, Fox, Kjetland and Waldera present, called the regular meeting of the Hanson County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday September 1, 2026.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

No conflict of interest, Board reports or citizen input.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve the August 18th meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The Auditor's account balanced with the Treasurer's account in the amount of \$3,946,486.71 as of August 31, 2026. General Fund, 1,227,868.02; CD's, 432,523.79; Restricted Funds: Road & Bridge, 1,806,712.61; E911, 36,171.62; County Library, 9,396.98; Emergency & Disaster, 16,729.17; Domestic Abuse, 688.05; 24/7 Program, 8,894.43; M & P, 67,834.27; Opioids Settlement, 4,750.10; Township Infrastructure, 104,361.77; Courthouse Bond, 21,415.09; Schools, 26,767.75; Townships, 24,034.11; Cities, 8,339.29; JRWDD, 195.96; Treasurer Trust, 15,246.47; State Motor Vehicle, 131,828.27; LEPC, 1,097.34; State Clearing, 289.23; Fire Districts, 836.39; Law Library, 506.00.

Register of Deeds fees collected for the month of August 2026 totaled \$4,376.25.

A group of hourly employees joined to present their proposed vacation and sick leave accrual policy similar to the State's. A motion was made by Kjetland to adopt the State of SD's leave time plan. The motion died due to a lack of a second. Motion Waldera, seconded by Fox to approve the following policy presented by the group of hourly employees. Vacation Leave: 0-13 years, 10 hours per month; 14+ years, 13.433 hours per month. Capped at 240 hours and paid out 100% at the time of retirement or leaving employment. Sick Leave: 0-13 years, 10 hours per month. 14+ years, 13.433 hours per month. No cap and 100% payout at the time of retirement or leaving employment and an additional 8 hours of vacation leave per year for the 32-hour employee. All members voted aye, motion carried. New monthly accrual rates will start September 1, 2026 and be added to the employees leave time at the end of each month.

Ronnie Roth, Hwy Superintendent, spoke about the skid loader door and safety glass he will purchase for \$650.00.

Roth presented additional information he received on the easement needed for the 413th Ave. bridge repair. The Pollreis family feels that the conditions of the first easement obtained in 2020 have not been fulfilled thus asking for work to be completed before agreeing to a temporary easement at the cost of \$500.00, no permanent

easement will be allowed. Roth will proceed with adding black dirt and grass seed and removing any trees, if needed, to satisfy the 2020 easement conditions so work can commence on the new bridge.

Work on the 267th St. bridge is approximately half done with hopes of the bridge being open to traffic by the weekend.

Reclaiming the Schmeichel pit is underway and will continue once the ground dries out.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve a PLAT OF PLAGMANN FAMILY CEMETERY IN TRACT 3 OF KLOCK'S ADDN IN THE SW4 IF SECTION 1, T101N, R58W OF THE 5TH P.M., HANSON COUNTY SD. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Kjetland, seconded by Fox to approve an auto supplement to the Sheriff's budget for OT grant funds received in the amount of \$1,945.70. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Waldera, seconded by Bumgardner to approve an auto supplement of \$472.89 to the EM budget for grant funds received. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Kjetland to approve and authorize the auditor to conduct an Operating Transfer of \$690,000.00 to the Road & Bridge fund to cover budgeted expenses in 2026. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Bumgardner, seconded by Waldera to approve the Northwestern Public Service discretionary value reduction of \$20,485.00 for taxes payable in 2027. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion Fox, seconded by Kjetland to approve and authorize Chairman Schoenrock to sign the SD Department of Legislative Audit engagement letter for the 2024-2025 audit being conducted. All voted aye, motion carried.

As advertised, the 2027 Provisional Budget Hearing was held. No one from the public appeared for the hearing. The provisional budget will be adopted as the 2027 annual budget on September 29, 2026. Any changes to the adopted budget will be noted in the minutes.

States Attorney Kiner joined to answer questions and concerns.

Time sheets were reviewed by the Board and a motion by Kjetland, seconded by Bumgardner to approve payroll and payment of the following bills. Motion carried.
DEPT. SALARIES: Commissioners: 2,301.20, Auditor: 4,212.69, Treasurer: 5,295.99, States Attorney: 3,486.93, Custodian: 2,391.70, Director of Equalization: 4,762.93, Register of Deeds: 3,455.55, Sheriff: 12,860.49, Resource Officer: 412.43, Extension: 2,105.83, Drainage: 149.89, Highway: 23,512.09, E911: 85.90 Emergency & Disaster: 348.13. BILLS: A & B, 108.85, copier lease; Appeara, 144.92, floor care; AT&T, 665.03, cell bills; Auto Value, 694.81, filters, shop supplies; Auto Zone, 169.37, oil, filters; Axis, 130.00, blood alcohols; Cedar Shores, 153.09, lodging; Haag Auto,

1,579.42, AC repairs, parts; Curt & Kelly Hart, 2,000.00, clay pile lease; Lewis, 339.21, jails meds; Lyle, 1,213.27, signs; McLeod's, 525.95, toner, supplies; Jordan McManus, 650.00, skid loader door with safety glass; MARC, 1,457.21, air freshener, cleaning supplies; Minnehaha Auditor, 16.00, mental illness; Mitchell Landfill, 70.08, disposal; Morgan Law, 4,500.00, public defender; Office Advantage, 3,600.79, managed services, hardware lease; Runnings, 31.98, compressor parts; Schmit Pumping, 250.00, sump pump drain cleaning; SDACC, 1,250.00, convention registration; Triotel, 910.04, phone, internet; Verizon, 40.01, hot spot; Wex, 1,968.93, gas; Xcel, 881.09, electricity; Super 8, 682.69, state fair lodging.

Being as there was no further business for the day, motion by Waldera, seconded by Kjetland to adjourn until Tuesday, September 29, 2026. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gary Schoenrock, Chairman
Hanson County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Lesa Trabing, Auditor
(SEAL)

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