

April 16,2024

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on April 16,2024 with the following members present: Rudebusch, Noem, Tulson, Saathoff and Roe. No one absent. Also present was John Delzer States Attorney, and from the Director of Equalization office Pam Wilson, Jamie Lantgen and Donna Rhody.

The Chairman led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Roe to approve the agenda as posted. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to approve the minutes of April 2,2024 All members voting Aye.

The Board then took their Oath as a Board of Equalization and met for Equalization appeals.

#1 Nace Family Trust met by calling in to Board. Appealing Nelsons Beach Lots 26 and 26A Estelline Twp. They purchased their house and lot in 2013 for 320,000 and now it is 604,549 they feel too much of an increase. Assessors value is cabin 424,249 lot 180,300 Motion by Roe seconded by Noem to accept the valuations of the Assessor. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#2 Mike & Wendy Kirkeby called into Board. Appealing Northbay Addn Lot 39 Norden Twp They stated their property had increased 40% from 2023 to 2024 and felt that was too much. Assessors value was cabin 159,248 lot 216,848 Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to accept the valuation of the Assessors based on study of sales . All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

#3 Greg & Jodi Laza called into Board. Appealing Bakkes Sub. Lots 29,29A,30 and 30A Estelline Twp They stated their cabin was built in 1960 and they bought it in 2014 and nothing has been done to it by them. They felt the sales are for newer cabins. They felt a 30% increase was too excessive. They stated all one lot no back lots. When road put in all lots are on one side. Assessors value is 371,171 for cabin and 337,339 for lots. Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to put the value on the cabin of 352,661 due to age and lots 337,339 All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

#4 Steven Wendling did not meet with Board. He appealed the W 366' of E 1433' of N 575' of OL 3 in NW ¼ Section 20-113-55 in Garfield Township. Property has a small acreage code, property owner has been farming it for the required amount of time and provided proper documentation of ag status. 4.83 acres Value for small acreage is 94,260 Motion by Noem seconded by Saathoff to put the land into Ag with a value of 14,453 as recommended by the Assessor. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#5 La Donna Micko called into Board. Appealing Eiseles Sub. Block 3 Lot 2 in Estelline Twp. She feels excessive increase and back lot structure is not a home and has never been such. Assessors value is cabin 574,207 lot 220,043 Motion by Noem seconded by Saathoff to accept the values of the Assessor. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried. She also appealed Runia Lakeview First Add Lot 32 A Estelline Twp as a storage unit not a house not heated just used for overflow. Utilities are separate. Assessors value was 240,631 on storage unit and 30,161 on lot. Township had lowered both to a total of 942,000 Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to put value on storage unit of 230,631 lot 30,161 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#6 Lois Hyde called into Board. She is appealing the S 698' of N 1636 of 1187' of SW ¼ in 22-115-52 Castlewood Twp. She feels too high . Assessors value was house 279,970 land 184,437 other bldg. 27,140 Township had lowered to a total of 469,413 Motion by Tulson seconded by Noem to put the value on house of 257,836 land 184,437 and other bldg. 27,140 all members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#7 Gary & Marjorie Grorud called into Board. Appealing Forrest Gottschalks N 40' of Lot 10 and all of lots 11 and 12 Estelline Twp. They felt 30% increase was too much in one year. They are close to Brookings County and was comparing it to that County. Assessors value was house 347,838 lot 359,099 two garages 50,253 Township had lowered to a total of 643,612 Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to put the value on house of 330,838 lot 359,099 two garages at 50,253 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#8 Steven & Helen Carlson called into Board. They are appealing Nelsons Beach S 25' of Lots 19,19A,20 and 20A in Estelline Township they stated house was built in 1972 and is a three-season house has basics with paneling and old windows. Feel their front lot footage is not correct They are asking for a total value of 384,410 and feel that is what it would sell for. Assessors value was cabin 203,518 lot 288,933 Lot sales have been up a lot this last year. Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to accept the valuations of the Assessor. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#9 Jesse Saathoff met with the Board. He was appealing the E1/2 SE ¼ Section 22-113-51 Estelline Twp. This is 78 acres which has been in a WRP easement for years and can not hay it or drive on it . It can not be used for any purpose and they inspect it to make sure nothing has been done. His grandfather put this on it. It has no value. Assessors value is 217,312 Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to lower the value to 150,000 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#10 Jeffrey & Tamara Jorgenson called into Board. They are appealing Forrest Gottschalks Lot 14 Estelline Twp. Increase of 30% too much. 50 Ft of shore line. Assessors value house 334,092 lot 195,896 Township had lowered to a total of 468,835 Motion by Roe seconded by Tulson to put the value on house of 333,104 lot 195,896 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#11 Jeff Jares called into the Board. He was appealing Prestrudes Subd lots 33 and 33A Estelline Twp. He stated original cabin built in 1928. Has no beach front . Only a seasonal cabin not a house. Has settling issues and drainage issues. Not a year around cabin. Inside not finished. Assessor has a value on cabin of 336,307 lot 181,316 Motion by Roe seconded by Saathoff to put the value on cabin at 311,307 lot 181,316 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#12 Wesley & Sherri Stekl called into Board. They were appealing Prestrudes Subd Lots 28 and 28A Estelline Township. 30% increase too much. Only a 50' wide lot and the house was built in 1986 Can not get down to lake have to go through neighbors lot. Assessors value was house 500,925 lot 190,116 Motion by Saathoff seconded by Noem to accept the values of the Assessor. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#13 Wesley & Sherri Stekl called into Board. They are appealing Archers Second Add Lot F1 They feel the lot is alright but shed value too high . They share a well with other property owners. Assessors value is shed 306,872 lot 61,828 Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to put the value on shed of 260,000 and lot 61,828 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#14 Richard and Virginia Knutson called into Board. Appealing Forrest Gottschalks Lot 13 in Estelline Township . They state their lot is smaller than adjacent lots. Cabin is 50 years old. A-frame with a 20 year old addition. Older than the homes in our area. Feel value has passed the market value of the home. Assessors value on cabin is 389,665 lot 170,433 Motion by Noem seconded by Saathoff to accept the values of the Assessors as similar to like properties. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#15 Lisa Stroschein met with the Board. She was appealing Northbay Addn Lots 21 and 22 She felt assessment too high. Assessors value on house 577,411 Lot 355,311 shed 10,942 Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to accept the values of the Assessor . All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#16 T&K Tastad did not meet with Board. Appealing Forrest Gottschalk N 15' Lot 6, all of Lot 7 and Exc N 31' lot 8 Assessors value was house 240,130 lot 170,788 Assessors recommendation was house 220,454 lot 170,788 Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to accept the Assessors recommendation. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

OWNER OCCUPIED: Motion by Noem seconded by Roe to approve 4 applicants for owner occupied status. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

TAX EXEMPT PROPERTY: Motion by Roe seconded by Saathoff to approve the listing submitted by the Assessor of 65 tax exempt properties. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

ELDERLY FREEZE: Motion by Roe seconded by Noem to approve the 42 applications for elderly freeze status. All members voting Aye. Motion carried.

DISABLED VET: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to approve the 21 applicants for disabled vet exemption. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

RENEWABLE RESOURCE: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Roe to approve two eligible renewable resource projects. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

FLOODED FARMLAND APPLICATIONS: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Noem to approve all the flooded farmland applications submitted for 2024. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

RIPARIAN BUFFER STRIP REDUCTION: Motion by Roe seconded by Saathoff to approve the 24 applications for Riparian Buffer Strip Reduction program. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

ASSESSORS RECOMMENDATION: Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to approve adding Parcel 7513 of 3.69 acres to Parcel 2478 to make 139.40 acres in parcel and Adding building to Parcel 1908 as no longer a building on leased site. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Board then adjourned as an Equalization Board and met as a Commissioners Board.

SHERIFF: Tayt Alexander Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff met with the Board and requested permission to apply for a Homeland Security grant for \$12,585 for salaries and grant for \$2,468.00 for equipment for radar only cost to county is \$617.00 for equipment. Board told him to apply for such.

FUEL QUOTES: March 27 in Hayti E-30 gas Hamlin County Farmers Coop 2.42 Farmers Union no bid
March 27 in Hayti #2 Diesel Hamlin County Farmers Coop 3.15 Farmers Union 3.18 April 15 in Hazel
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CLAIMS PAID ROAD: ITC phone \$142.22 Estelline City Util \$21.14 H-D Electric \$553.92 Ottetail Power
Util \$95.83 Bryant City Util \$21.64 Total Road expense \$834.75
Ottetail Power Elec Ag Bldg \$67.35 Courthouse \$623.86 H-D Electric Weed Bldg Elec \$203.93 H-D
Electric 911 towers elec. \$110.90 Verizon - Sheriff cell phones and air cards \$492.66 AT&T Emerg & Disas
cell phone \$49.00 SDACO M&P Fund part of Register of Deeds fees to state \$194.00

SD Dept of Revenue: money to State Motor Vehicle Licenses \$188,044.69 Drivers License \$617.00 Birth
Fees \$70.00 Death Fees \$50.00 Total to State \$188,781.69

The Auditor reported the cash on hand in the Treasurers office as of April 1,2024 Checking Account
677,236.00 Money Markets 519,841.81 CD's 9,000,600.00 Cash on Hand 3398.24 Checks on Hand
168,263.02 Credit Card Deposit 4559.59 Petty Cash 400.00 Total 10,374,298.66 General Fund
8,396,273.85 Special Revenue 1,139,289.23 Schools 395,494.15 Townships 140,271.04 Cities & Towns
82,363.25 Trust and Agency funds 220,607.14 Total 10,374,298.66

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Roe seconded by Tulson to go into Executive Session at 2:10 for
personnel reasons SDCL 1-25-2(1) all members voting Aye. Motion Carried. The Chairman declared them
out at 2:55

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm until May 7,2024 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room County
Courthouse at Hayti.

Randall Rudebusch
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:
Dixie Opdahl
Hamlin County Auditor

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