

April 7th, 2026

County Commissioners Meeting

at Hamlin County Courthouse (300 4th Street; Hayti, SD)

on Second Floor in Commissioners Room (go through Auditor's Office)

- 09:30 Pledge of Allegiance
- Approve Agenda
- Approve Minutes
- 09:35 Highway Department
- 10:20 Public Comment
- 10:35 Sheriff
- 10:45 Automatic Supplement – Sheriff's Grant
- 11:00 Emergency & Disaster
- 11:15 Abatement
- 11:20 Plats
- 11:30 Bookmobile - New Employee
- 11:35 Bills

Minutes:

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on April 7, 2026 with the following members present: Rudebusch, Saathoff, Tulson, Buck and Popham. No one absent. John Delzer States Attorney was also present.

The Chairman led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Popham seconded by Tulson to approve the March 17, 2026 minutes. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen Hwy Supt met with the Board. He stated that legislature had approved the money to repair certain size culverts in the townships. The estimate that the County will receive 83,000 each year for the next three years. This must be used only by the townships applying for it through the County. New regulation that all CDL Licenses must be renewed by July if they have a K on the license. The State has about 28,000 of these. All county employees that have a CDL license will have to renew such at a cost of 43.00 per license. The county employees are exempt from renewing the medical card. Motion by Tulson seconded by Buck that the County will pay for the renewal of the CDL licenses for employees. All members voting Aye. Motion carried. Bryan talked some about replacing the AED in the courthouse because if it is used they can no longer replace parts. He discussed bidding five miles of overlay on 188th St. The Board stated to wait until the next meeting to see how prices go. Commissioner Rudebusch stated Castlewood Township would like the highway dept to pull the shoulders in on their roads and to try the grader with the disk also. Bryan also stated he would check prices for chip sealing 12 miles north of Estelline.

FUEL QUOTES: March 25 in Hayti E-30 gas Hamlin County Farmers Coop 2.55 Farmers Union no bid March 31 in Hazel #2 Diesel Hamlin County Farmers Coop 3.99 Farmers Union 3.96 March 31 in Lake Norden #2 Diesel Hamlin County Farmers Coop 3.99 Farmers Union 3.96 All quotes do not contain certain taxes.

SHERIFF: Tayt Alexander Deputy Sheriff met with the Board. He has been approved by the Unified Judicial System for the grant to put cameras in and around the courthouse. Grant amount to receive will be 21,786.90 and the county's share will be 7262.30 No annual cost is associated with the project. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Popham to proceed with the grant and the county's share. All members voting Aye. Motion carried. Tayt presented the quarterly report to the Board of crimes, traffic violations, crashes and calls. The department had also received the Highway Safety Grant for 2027 in the amount of 15,500.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT: Motion by Buck seconded by Popham to make an automatic supplement from Highway Safety Grant in the amount of 322.66 to Sheriffs Budget for salaries and Revenue Source for grants. All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

ABATEMENT: Motion by Tulson seconded by Buck to approve an abatement for Record 5894 in the amount of 317.58 for a mobile home that had been moved in Dempster Village. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

PLATS: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to approve the following plats: Traffie Family Addition Located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 20,T115N,R52W of the 5th PM Hamlin County, Plat of Spencer Second Addition located in Outlot 1,Government Lot 1 in Section 16,Township 113 North Range 52 West of the 5th PM. Hamlin County and Plat of Saaranen's Beach Second Addition located in Government Lot 1 of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16,Township 113 North Range 52 West of the 5th PM Hamlin County All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments were received.

NEW HIRE: The Hamlin Bookmobile had hired Connie Seppanen at 16.00 per hour to work with the Hamlin Bookmobile. The Bookmobile Board had approved such.

EMERGENCY & DISASTER: Brett Schutt Emergency & Disaster met with the Board concerning replacing the AED in the courthouse as it is 22 years old and if used can not get parts any more. Nathan Popham representing the Hayti Fire Dept was also present. They both stated they are working through Avera for Lifeback to obtain a better cost. They feel this should be moved to the first floor of the courthouse and also get one for the Ag Building and the Highway Dept. Cost could be between 2075.00 and 1600.00 and it needs a box to put it in which is 150.00 Motion by Tulson seconded by Buck to purchase two units and boxes. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

CLAIMS PAID:

COMMISSIONERS: Mileage for the Board: Riley Buck 28.00 Randall Rudebusch 23.80 Larry Saathoff 84.00 Scott Popham 63.00 Burt Tulson 18.20 Visa Website 235.86 Total gross salaries for complete dept 8600.00 benefits 3531.63 Total Commissioners expense 12,584.49

ELECTIONS: McLeods Printing supp 777.00

COURT: Yesika Munoz court interpreter 150.00 mileage 35.00 All Nations Interpreters 18.00

AUDITOR: ITC phone 95.45 PMB state access 29.92 SD Assoc of Officials Registration 200.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6425.00 benefits 491.51 Total Auditors expense 7241.88

TREASURER: ITC phone 93.95 PMB state access 29.92 SD Assoc of Officials Registration 200.00 Visa Supp 74.27 Total gross salaries for complete dept 10,116.75 benefits 3323.93 Total Treasurers expense 13,838.82

STATES ATTORNEY: Foley Law Prof serv 750.00 Houghton County Sheriff serve papers 26.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6093.00 benefits 2015.64 Total States Attorney expense 8884.64

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Blackburn & Stevens 232.58 Timothy Cummings 4138.50

COURTHOUSE MAINT: Dust Tex floor mats 119.16 Hayti Town Util 64.00 ITC internet 140.90 Runnings supp 49.98 Trane Repairs 2238.96 Northwestern Energy 740.01 Visa flags 40.29 Twotrees repairs 230.25 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4507.00 benefits 1574.39 Total Courthouse expense 7091.94

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: ITC phone 81.40 SDAO Registration 375.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 13,625.96 benefits 3753.91 Total Director of Equalization expense 17,836.27

REGISTER OF DEEDS: ITC phone 78.10 PMB state access 29.91 SD Assoc of Officials registration 200.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 10,368.40 benefits 1415.28 Total Register of Deeds expense 12,091.69

SHERIFF: Amazon supp 23.42 Applied Concepts supp 598.00 Galls supp 30.32 Hamlin Bldg Center supp 22.99 ITC phone 258.00 Nelson Fleet car 43,919.00 Northern Safety Tech Supp 681.50 Jamison Ries travel 80.00 Safe Life supp 1182.60 Visa Supp 441.44 Equipment 331.20 Lodging 118.00 AT&T cell phones and air cards 877.32 Total gross salaries for complete dept 38,836.32 benefits 13,851.82 Total Sheriffs expense 101,361.93

CORONER: Donna Thompson mileage 28.00 fees 300.00 Tristan Molitor fees 300.00 benefits 69.90 Total Coroner expense 697.90

GENERAL 911: H-D Electric towers elec. 161.87 ITC trunking charge 374.33

MENTALLY ILL: Yankton County Professional service 165.95

EXTENSION: Amazon supp 76.36 Berg Family Foods supp 26.59 ITC phone 57.75 Office Peeps repairs 109.57 AT&T cell phone two months 93.04 Visa Supp 235.20 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4598.40 benefits 1990.69 Total Extension expense 7187.60

WEED: David Bjorklund mileage 20.30 Roger Greenfield mileage 23.80 H-D Electric Util 224.00 Hamlin Coop gas 45.06 Hamlin Bldg Center supp 39.99 ITC phone 30.85 Menards supp 54.60 Runnings supp 139.86 Gene Sauder mileage 23.80 AT&T cell phones two months 103.14 Visa Supp 61.41 Total gross salaries for complete dept 5412.00 benefits 1710.22 Total Weed expense 7889.03

ZONING: Zoning Board mileage: Robbie Fedt 18.20 Alex Holzwarth 14.00 Martin Prouty 15.40 Stuart Schubloom 15.40 Total gross salaries for complete dept 1000.00 benefits 287.99 Total Zoning expense 1350.99

ROAD: Bryan Pedersen travel 34.00 Bryant City Util 22.51 Butler parts 644.63 Bass Sanitation Util 242.00 Duininck hot mix 675.50 Estelline City Util 38.90 Farmers Union fuel 4007.52 Fleetpride parts 74.99 H-D Electric util 504.00 Hamlin Coop supp 16.00 fuel 3469.03 Hamlin Bldg Center supp 8.99 Hayti Town Util 57.00 Istate parts 78.04 ITC phone 146.95 Office Peeps supp 62.59 Ottertail Power Util 78.85 SD State Treasurer excise tax 108.03 the Lodge travel 210.00 Northwestern Energy Util 416.81 AT&T cell phone two months 174.12 Visa cell phone 1.05 Supp 77.91 Total gross salaries for complete dept 52,350.12 benefits 18,185.52 Total Road expense 81,685.06

AG BUILDING: Hayti Town util 57.00 ITC Internet 68.90 Northwestern Energy Util 196.56

EMERGENCY & DISASTER: AT&T cell phone 50.16 Hamlin Coop gas 709.91 ITC phone 30.85 Total gross salaries for complete dept 5387.00 benefits 1910.83 Total Emer & Dis expense 8088.75

WIC: Total gross salaries for complete dept 4074.40 benefits 556.15

COUNTY 24/7: Total gross salaries for complete dept 229.50 benefits 34.01

BOOKMOBILE: Total gross salaries for complete dept 5137.70 benefits 672.97

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 until April 21, 2026 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room Courthouse at Hayti. This will be the Equalization meeting.

Randall Rudebusch
Chairman

ATTEST:

Dixie Opdahl
Hamlin County Auditor

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