

Dec. 3, 2024

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on Dec. 3, 2024 with the following members present: Rudebusch, Noem, Tulson and Roe. Absent: Saathoff. Also present John Delzer States Attorney, Riley Buck and Scott Popham.

The Chairman led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Tulson seconded by Noem to approve the minutes of November 19, 2024 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen Hwy Supt met with the Board. The new truck purchased through a grant of reimbursing 35% of the cost to the County is ready in Aberdeen so will go get it. The plow for it was back ordered so he purchased one in Sioux Falls for 3000.00 less than the other plow would have cost. All of this cost will be sent for reimbursement. The Board discussed getting some prices for new equipment for the next meeting. Costs on equipment keep going up. Bryan presented a report of costs of the overhead bridge project and road. County costs 1,356,717.19 State Bryan requested that the highway crew and him attend a mining training in Watertown on Jan. 28-29 which is paid by the county's insurance and is required. The Board approved such. The bridge NW of Estelline will be submitted again for the bridge program of 80%-20% to the State.

FUEL QUOTES: Nov 25 in Hayti #1 Diesel Hamlin Co Farmers Coop 2.97 Farmers Union 2.99 Nov 25 in Lake Norden #1 Diesel Hamlin Co Farmers Coop 2.97 Farmers Union 2.96 All quotes do not contain certain taxes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None was received.

HEARING ON TRANSFER OF LICENSE: Hearing was held as advertised for the transfer of a package off sale liquor license from Happy Camper Store to Logans Point LLC No one appeared. Motion by Roe seconded by Noem to approve the transfer and also to renew Logans Point LLC license for retail on sale liquor license. All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

RENEW NURSES CONTRACT: Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to authorize the Chairman to sign the Provision of Community Health Services between Hamlin County and SD Dept of Health for a public health nurse for 7097.76 per year and a Business Associate Agreement with the County and SD Dept of Health all members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

WEED DEPT: John Michalski Weed Supervisor presented his annual report of chemical use , hours sprayed ,equipment use, Miles of ROW . State had paid the County 38,100.45 for spraying state highways and townships had paid the County 12,323.46 for spraying township road ditches. Nine voluntary control letters had been mailed. He had also worked with NRCS/FSA on five CRP infestations. He had also received a grant from the State for 6100.00 which he had applied for. He has been working on equipment and helping in the courthouse through the winter months. He requested permission to attend the annual meeting in Huron on Feb. 17-19 for him and one member of the weed board. This must be attended in order to received state grants. The Board approved such.

SHERIFF: Chad Schlotterbeck Sheriff met with the Board. They had done interviews for the deputy sheriffs position. He requested permission to offer this position to a person who is certified already. They could probably start Jan.6 The Board stated to offer such and report back to the Board.

SCHOOL CONTRACTS: Motion by Roe seconded by Tulson to authorize the Chairman to sign the school contracts with Hamlin School and Estelline School for 312.00 per month during school months in session for contract law. All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

CERTIFICATE OF POST ELECTION AUDIT: The Auditor submitted the Certificate of Post Election Audit by members of the Auditing Board do hereby certify the results of the audit for the Public Utilities Commissioner race and the Initiated Measure 28 Question for the election held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 2024 completed the audit on the 22 day of Nov 2024. The Board counted 806 ballots for Norden Precinct and Tabulator counted 806 ballots. Candidates: Public Utilities Commissioner Forrest Wilson Total vote 114- Election Night Tabulator count 114, Gideon Oakes total votes 27 -Election Night Tabulator count 27, Kristie Fiegen Total votes 619-Election Night Tabulator count 619, Initiated Measure 28-Yes votes 199- Election Night Tabulator count 199, Initiated Measure 28-No votes 581-Election Night Tabulator count 581 Signed by the post-election auditing board: Mavis Poelstra, Mary Jacobson, and Vicki Pantzke Attested by Hamlin County Auditor Dixie Opdahl.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT: Motion by Noem seconded by Roe to approve an automatic supplement of a grant received by the Sheriffs office for equipment purchased for 27,253.25 Revenue Budget 101-331.23 and Sheriffs Budget 101-211-435 All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

ABATEMENTS AND REFUNDS: Motion by Noem seconded by Tulson to approve an abatement for Record 7521 for 367.28 and Record 5873 for 102.11 due to property being exempt from tax and Director of Equalization had put a value on it and a refund of Record 5866 of 117.48 due to Lot being taxed twice by Director of Equalization and refund of 1770.13 on Record 4052 due the taxpayer being exempt from tax due to Veterans exemption and Director of Equalization had not put this on property. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

PLATS: Motion by Noem seconded by Roe to approve the plat of Bakke East Acres Seventh Addition Located in Government Lot 4 of Section 23, Township 113 North, Range 52 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> PM Hamlin County and Plat of Blocks 1 and 2 Hurley Addition being located in the East ½ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 36, Township 113 North, Range 53W of the 5<sup>th</sup> PM Hamlin County. All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

BOOKMOBILE: The Bookmobile had submitted Emily Winnett as a part time employee for the Bookmobile at the rate of 15.20 per hour . This is paid through Bookmobile funds. The Board approved such.

The Courthouse will be closed all day Monday Dec.23, Tuesday Dec. 24 and Wednesday Dec. 25 for a legal holiday.

CLAIMS PAID: COMMISSIONERS: Hamlin County Publishing 603.81 Leland Roe mileage 26.20 Douglas Noem mileage 58.95 Randall Rudebusch mileage 44.54 Larry Saathoff mileage 52.40 Burt Tulson mileage 17.03 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6468.00 benefits 1477.76 Total Commissioners expense 8748.69

ELECTION: Election Systems supp 5183.80 Vicki Pantzke Per diem and mileage 81.10 Mavis Poelstra per diem 68.00 Mary Jacobson Per Diem & mileage 87.65 Total Election expense 5420.55  
COURT: Yesika Munoz interpretor 300.00 mileage 111.35

AUDITOR: ITC phone 94.70 Total gross salaries for complete dept 5771.60 benefits 441.53 Total Auditors expense 6307.83

TREASURER: ITC phone 87.85 Twotrees -Ultra Equipment 2780.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 8007.00 benefits 2940.89 Total Treasurers expense 13,815.74

POSTAGE: Quadient postage 4515.00

STATES ATTORNEY: Foley & Foley Law Prof serv 750.00 Thomson Reuters law books 107.20 total gross salaries for complete dept 6568.20 benefits 2022.60 Total States Attorney expense 9448.00

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Timothy Cummings 3077.29

COURTHOUSE MAINT: C&R Fire repairs 102.00 Dust Tex floor mats 112.94 Hamlin Bldg Center supp 35.97 Northwestern Energy Util 261.60 Visa supp 157.57 ITC Internet 151.90 Menards supp 121.74 Runnings supp 50.97 Two Trees Ultra repairs 230.25 total gross salaries for complete dept 3,717.60 benefits 1,812.25 Total courthouse maint expense 6,754.79

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: ITC phone 81.30 Visa Lodging 1521.50 Prof Service 250.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 14,546.00 total benefits 4,959.46 Total Director of Equalization expense 21,358.26

REGISTER OF DEEDS: ITC phone 75.75 Total gross salaries for complete dept 8114.40 benefits 1107.63 Total Register of Deeds expense 9297.78

ANIMAL BOUNTY: Gopher bounty Brantford Township 82.00 Estelline Township 88.00

SHERIFF: C&R fire repairs 168.45 Galls supp 35.29 ITC phone 234.70 SD DOT gas 1653.13 W.W. Tire repairs 846.92 AT&T cell phone 64.12 Visa Supp 451.72 Total gross salaries for complete dept 28,488.51 benefits 9,999.32 Total Sheriffs expense 41,942.16

CORONER: Clubhouse Hotel lodging 241.60 Donna Thompson travel 300.04

GENERAL 911: ITC trunking charge 374.33

MENTALLY ILL: Minnehaha County Prof Serv 477.16

EXTENSION: Amazon supp 430.82 ITC phone 55.20 Office Peeeps repairs 55.25 AT&T cell phone 63.19 Total gross salaries for complete dept 2541.40 benefits 1270.86 Total Extension expense 4416.72

WEED: Auto Value supp 10.98 C&R Supply Equipment 1914.00 C&R Fire repairs 90.15 ITC phone 30.95 AT&T cell phone 51.24 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4573.60 benefits 1548.27 Total 8219.19

ZONING: Robbie Fedt mileage 17.03 John Pantzke mileage 13.10 Martin Prouty mileage 14.41 Stuart Schubloom mileage 14.41 Scott Popham mileage 10.48 Total Per diem 750.00 benefits 143.11 Total Zoning expense 962.54

ROAD: BNSF Railway Co repairs 6690.71 Bryant City Util 21.64 Butler parts 2644.43 C&R Fire repairs 879.05 CNH Industrial-Titan repairs 696.06 parts 761.40 Estelline City Util 23.83 Farmers Union Fuel 2860.16 Hamlin Co Farmers Coop fuel 4692.60 Hayti Town Util 50.50 IMEG prof serv 6000.00 ITC phone 146.43 Northern Truck Equipment 18,400.00 Ottertail Power Util 56.27 P/3 Electric repairs 1203.00 Runnings parts 199.98 Safety Service parts 447.20 SD DOT Bridge Prof 2258.98 SDACHS dues 350.00 SD State Treasurer excise tax 491.87 Visa cell phone 1.50 Northwestern Energy Util 30.00 Northwestern Energy Util 91.18 AT&T cell phone 46.19 Total gross salaries for complete dept 47,314.85 benefits 16,969.64 Total Road expense 113,327.02

AG BUILDING: ITC phone 68.90 Northwestern Energy Util 77.27

EMERGENCY & DISASTER: AT&T cell phone 49.78 ITC phone 30.85 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4575.60 benefits 1750.59 Total Emerg & Disaster expense 6406.82

LAW LIBRARY: Thomson Reuters law books 107.20

911: Watertown City fees collected by State to them 7864.00

RURAL ACCESS CULVERT FUND: Cell phone 40.04

WIC: Total gross salaries for complete dept 2948.80 benefits 402.51

BOOKMOBILE: Total gross salaries for complete dept 4625.65 Benefits 526.08

Meeting adjourned at noon until Dec. 17, 2024 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room County Courthouse at Hayti.

Randall Rudebusch,  
Chairman

ATTEST:  
Dixie Opdahl  
Hamlin County Auditor

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