

August 3rd, 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 Dept
10:20 Public comment
10:30 Ordinance #4
10:35 Sheriff - City Contracts
11:00 Canvass run off election
11:15 Review Bids
11:45 Review Open Meeting Laws
11:50 Plats
11:55 Scrap iron sold to revenue
12:00 Bills
12:10 Sioux Valley Meeting Approval
12:15 Hire Employee

Minutes:

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on August 3, 2026 with the following members present: Rudebusch, Saathoff, Tulson, Buck and Popham. No one absent. Also present was John Delzer States Attorney and Tiffany Stormo.

The Chairman led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Buck seconded by Tulson to approve the minutes of July 21, 2026 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen Hwy Supt met with the Board. He stated there was a 2004 Chevy Pickup box which he felt should be surplus for sale since no longer used. The hot mix is done and they are stockpiling pea rock to do chip sealing north of Estelline. Gerhold's had been over and checked the spillway by Castlewood. He stated the truck box and accessories was down from the estimated 76,000 to 66,000 Commissioner Saathoff stated to be careful about pushing gravel into the tops of ditches to hinder mowing.

SURPLUS: Motion by Popham seconded by Buck to declare the 2004 Chevy Pickup Box as surplus and to be sold with sealed bids. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

SHERIFF: Chad Schlotterbeck Sheriff met with the Board stating he would be presenting contracts for law enforcement to the cities and towns which would ask for a 3% increase each year and would be three year contracts. After this the Sheriff will bring the contracts back to the Commissioners Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Buck to go into Executive Session at 9:50 am for contractual matters: SDCL 1-25-2 (3) States Attorney was also present. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried. The Chairman declared them out of executive at 10:10 am

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was received.

ORDINANCE #2026-04: Carla Heuer Zoning Officer met with the Board. She went over Ordinance #2026-04 for Additional dwellings in the agricultural district. She stated that the Zoning Board did not approve the Ordinance. Motion by Popham seconded by Buck to approve Ordinance #2026-04 Roll Call vote: Tulson Nay, Buck Nay, Popham Nay, Saathoff Nay and Rudebusch Nay. Ordinance failed to be approved.

OPEN MEETING LAWS: The Board reviewed the new Open Meeting laws effective July 1,2026

CANVASS OF RUN OFF PRIMARY ELECTION: The Commissioners compared the poll book total with the recap from the election board and the printed copy from the tabulating machine. All seven precincts showed the same figures for each of these. They then signed the Certificate of We, Randall Rudebusch, Larry Saathoff, Burt Tulson, Riley Buck, Scott Popham , the County Board of Canvassers in Hamlin County for the Run Off Primary Election held on July 28,2026 hereby certify that the forgoing is a true abstract of the votes cast in the jurisdiction of Hamlin County.

BIDS: Bids on the construction of a building at the 4-H grounds were gone through and questions asked. Abbi Rogness 4-H Advisor, Basin Construction and East River Contracting were present. Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to take low bid of East River Contracting not to exceed 721,101 on design-build contract for the plans drawn on June 3,2026 This does not include the fire suppression costs and does not include engineer costs or sprinkler costs. The plans must be reviewed by a licensed SD engineer . The contractor will take care of getting an engineer. Discussion was held. Roll Call Vote: Tulson Yea ,Buck Nay, Popham Nay, Saathoff Yea , Rudebusch Yea. Motion Carried.

PLAT: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to approve the plat of Verhoek Farm Second Addition Located in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section 35,T113N R51W of the 5th PM Hamlin County SD All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

PLAT: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Popham to approve the Plat of Lot 5C Block 2 Saaranens Addition located in Government Lot 2 of Section 16, T113N,R52W of the 5th PM Hamlin County SD All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT: Motion by Tulson seconded by Buck to make an automatic supplement of 481.68 for sale of scrap iron to revenue source (201-374.10) All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

TRAVEL: The Board approved the Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Auditor, Commissioners, Hwy Supt, and Hwy Bookkeeper to attend the Sioux Valley Assoc. meeting August 12 in Bryant.

The Board approved the hiring of Tiffany Stormo as part time Deputy in the Auditors Office at 19.00 per hour.

CLAIMS PAID:

COMMISSIONERS: Board mileage: Riley Buck 28.00 Randall Rudebusch 47.60 Larry Saathoff 56.00 Scott Popham 37.80 Burt Tulson 18.20 Total gross salaries for complete dept 8600.00 benefits 3530.67 Total Commissioner expense 12,318.27

COURT: Yesika Munoz interpreter fees 100.00 mileage 35.00 Yellow Robe Consulting court prof 1800.00

AUDITOR: PMB state access 23.42 Total gross salaries for complete dept 7198.50 benefits 550.69 Total Auditors expense 7772.61

TREASURER: PMB state access 23.41 Twotrees repairs 50.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 10,370.75 benefits 3358.60 Total Treasurer expense 13,802.76

STATES ATTORNEY: Foley & Foley Law Prof serv 750.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6093.00 benefits 2015.64

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Bratland Law 3001.20 Timothy Cummings 1124.68 Fox Law 195.61 Horn Law 176.90 Total Court appointed attorney 4498.39

COURTHOUSE MAINT: Hayti Town Util 57.00 Trane repairs 1637.55 Twotrees repairs 234.75 Northwestern Energy Util 12.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4450.00 benefits 1570.01

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: Office Peeps supp 333.94 Total gross salaries for complete dept 17,820.64 benefits 5346.99 Total Director of Equalization expense 23,501.57

REGISTER OF DEEDS : Microfilm Imaging rental 390.00 PMB state access 23.42 Total gross salaries for complete dept 10,555.60 benefits 1440.85 Total Register of Deeds expense 12,409.87

SHERIFF: Amazon supp 471.33 AT&T cell phones & air cards 877.46 Galls supp 600.27 S&S Auto repairs 240.00 SD DOT Gas 2502.93 Total gross salaries for complete dept 39,616.14 Benefits 13,975.18 Total Sheriff expense 58,283.31

MENTALLY ILL: Mentally Ill Board: Mark Katterhagen 20.00 Val Larson 20.00 Yankton County Sheriff 50.00

EXTENSION: Amazon supp 118.70 AT&T Cell Phone 46.54 Menards Supp 91.74 Office Peeps repairs 115.58 Abbi Rogness travel 94.00 State 4-H travel 85.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6888.35 benefits 2177.41

WEED: AT&T cell phone 52.59 Hamlin Coop gas 22.80 Hamlin Bldg Center 81.47 Nutrien Ag weed chemical 685.26 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6228.50 benefits 1772.40 Total Weed expense 8842.02

ZONING: First District contract 6 months 25,000.00 Zoning Board mileage: Robbie Fedt 18.20 Sterling Gehrke 8.40 Alex Holzwarth 14.00 Martin Prouty 15.40 Stuart Schubloom 15.40 Total board per diem 1200.00 benefits 303.29

ECONOMIC DEV. First District half year payment 8370.29

ROAD: AT&T cell phone 87.08 Auto Value supp 307.84 parts 84.99 Bowes Construction hot mix 29,134.50 Butler parts 740.99 CNH Titan parts 33.39 Duininck hot mix 24,143.49 Axess Fuel 2055.37 Estelline City Util 32.76 Farmers Union fuel 4129.89 Fleetpride supp 177.04 parts 129.99 Hamlin County Coop supp 238.03 Fuel 6274.80 parts 201.28 Hamlin County Treasurer Registration 28.00 Hayti Town util 57.00 Jebro road oil 23,477.00 Menards supp 30.48 Ottertail Power Util 27.40 Runnings parts 83.98 SD State Treasurer excise tax 655.47 W.W. Tire repairs 3798.42 Northwestern Energy Util 34.48 Total gross salaries for complete dept 50,346.06 benefits 17,911.99 Total Road expense 164,187.24

AG BUILDING: Hamlin Building Center supp 10.98 Hayti Town Util 57.00 Iron Ranch Equipment 4138.00 Menards supp 9.97 Scotting Heating Repairs 7013.28 Northwestern Energy Util 12.00 Total Ag Bldg expense 11,241.23

M&P Fund: Microfilm Imaging Register of Deeds rental 320.00

ELECTION: Workers salaries 5353.25 Rent of polling places 350.00 mileage for workers 190.75

WIC: Total gross salaries for complete dept 4259.60 benefits 581.43

COUNTY 24/7: Total gross salaries for complete dept 262.50 benefits 38.85

BOOKMOBILE: Total gross salaries for complete dept 3732.75 benefits 407.27

INSURANCE TAX DISTRIBUTION FROM State to Fire Depts: Hazel Fire Dept 5956.16 Hayti Fire Dept 11,865.72 Norden Fire Dept 18,118.28 Castlewood Fire Dept 16,884.91 Bryant Fire Dept 8743.25 Estelline Fire Dept 14,938.45 Total 76,506.77

Meeting adjourned at noon until August 18,2026 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room Courthouse at Hayti.

Randall Rudebusch
Chairman

ATTEST:
Dixie Opdahl
Hamlin County Auditor

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