

February 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 - Set Bid Letting for Supplies
- 10:20 Public Comment
- 10:30 4-H Advisor
- 10:45 First District contract
- 10:50 Supplement – Sheriff's Grant to Revenue
- 11:00 Plat
- 11:10 Transfer Cash General to Road
- 11:15 Bills

Minutes:

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

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 Tulson, seconded by Popham to approve the minutes of Jan. 20 2026 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen Hwy Supt met with the Board. He presented the Board with the bridge inspection resolution with IMEG which is required every two years. This will be for 2027 The County pays 20% of the cost and State 80% He stated the 2014 motor grader has a bent rod and will replace all injectors with approximate cost of 25,000. It was 700 hours over warranty. He requested permission to attend the short course in Deadwood on March 17-19 Board approved such. He stated the bid letting for the yearly highway supplies will be held on March 2 at 11:00 and a listing will be given to the Board at their meeting on March 3

RESOLUTION BRIDGE INSPECTION: Motion by Tulson seconded by Popham. All members voting Aye to authorize the Chairman to sign the Bridge Reinspection Program Resolution : WHEREAS 23 CFR 650 Subpart C requires initial inspection of all bridges and reinspection at intervals not to exceed two years with the exception of reinforced concrete box culverts that meet specific criteria. These culverts are reinspected at intervals not to exceed four years. THEREFORE Hamlin County is desirous of participating in the Bridge Inspection Program. The County requests SDDOT to hire IMEG for the inspection work. SDDOT will secure federal approvals, make payments to the consulting Engineer for inspection services rendered and bill the county for 20% of the cost. The County will be responsible for the required 20% matching funds. Dated this Feb 3, 2026 at Hayti SD Randall Rudebusch Chairman Attest: Dixie Opdahl Hamlin County Auditor

4-H Advisor: Abbi Rogness 4-H Advisor gave a report of her activities. She does programming in Castlewood School 30 Students in Third grade and 32 students in 5th Grade, in Estelline School 23 students in Third grade, in Hamlin School 64 students in Third grade, 63 students in 4th grade and 66 students in 5th grade, Hamlin School JH/HS livestock, companion animal agriculture. She does Cloverbuds, Junior Leaders, Fruit Sales, Shooting Sports, Beef builder program Santa Days and more. She was requesting to purchase 18 Ozo bots for 2990.00 which will equip teachers with everything needed to bring hands on coding and robotics to K-12 classrooms. The Board approved such.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chad Schlotterbeck Sheriff met with the Board. The Charger that was taken to Minnesota for trade in they will remove equipment that can be used on new car. He was requesting that this car could be surplus and given to Hamlin School Automotive Dept. The Board approved such.

GIS CONTRACT: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Popham to authorize the Chairman to sign the Letter of Agreement with First District Assoc. for County GIS website Hosting for 5500.00 per year and Letter of Agreement for work for County Director of Equalization parcel Update needs for 2500.00 per year. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT TO REVENUE SOURCE: Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to make an automatic supplement from Highway Safety Grants for Sheriff to 101-331.95 Grant Number 20.600 for amount of 1993.23 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

PLAT: Motion by Popham seconded by Buck to approve the following plat of Holzwarth Second Addition Located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 17 Twp 115 North Range 54 West of the 5th PM Hamlin County. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

CASH TRANSFER: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Tulson to make a cash transfer from General Fund (101-112-911) of 400,000 to Road Cash (201-371) All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: Director of Equalization hired Donavin Rhody for part time in the Director of Equalization office at 19.00 per hour. Board approved such.

CLAIMS PAID: COMMISSIONERS : mileage Riley Buck 28.00 Randall Rudebusch 47.60 Larry Saathoff 56.00 Scott Popham 25.20 Burt Tulson 18.20 Hamlin County Publishing 1142.58 Total gross salaries for complete dept 8600.00 benefits 3737.82 Total Commissioners expense 13,655.40

ELECTIONS: Hamlin County Publishing 97.50

COURT: Yesika Munoz interpreter fees 200.00 mileage 35.00

AUDITOR: Hamlin County Publishing 10.00 ITC phone 94.80 PMB state access 29.92 Visa supp 343.87 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6510.60 benefits 498.06 Total Auditors expense 7487.25

TREASURER: ITC phone 84.80 Office Peeps supp 331.56 PMB state access 29.92 Total gross salaries for complete dept 10,154.85 benefits 3329.12 Total Treasurers expense 13,930.25

POSTAGE: Quadient postage meter rental 120.00

STATES ATTORNEY: Foley &Foley Law Prof serv 750.00 Total gross salaries for complete dept 6093.00 benefits 2015.63
Total States Attorney expense 8858.63

COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY: Austin,Strait,Benson 157.77 Bratland Law 1932.00

COURTHOUSE MAINT: Dust Tex floor mats 115.99 Hayti Town Util 57.00 Hillyard supp 248.89 ITC Internet 140.90
Northwestern Energy Util 1112.95 Trane heating repairs 2517.31 Two Trees repairs 230.25 Total gross salaries for
complete dept 4450.00 benefits 1570.02 Total Courthouse Maint expense 10,443.31

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION: First District GIS contract 8000.00 Office Peeps supp 262.50 Total gross salaries for complete
dept 14,053.14 benefits 3800.25 Total Director of Equalization expense 26,115.89

REGISTER OF DEEDS: ITC phone 76.05 Microfilm Imaging rental 390.00 Office Peeps supp 103.86 PMB state access 29.91
Total gross salaries for complete dept 9994.00 benefits 1364.19 Total Register of Deeds expense 11,958.01

SHERIFF: Amazon supp 24.69 AT&T cell phones & air cards 877.32 Galls supp 637.42 ITC phone 255.55 Mail Back Meds
supp 199.50 Visa supp 1203.62 Total gross salaries for complete dept 47,204.50 benefits 15,168.59 Total Sheriffs expense
65,671.19

JAIL: Prairie Lakes blood tests 170.00

GENERAL 911: ITC 911 towers trunking charge 374.33

EXTENSION: Amazon supp 180.80 AT&T cell phone 46.52 Berg Family Foods supp 35.47 ITC phone 55.35 Office Peeps
repairs 98.80 Visa supp 141.34 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4655.40 benefits 1995.06 Total Extension expense
7208.74

WEED: AT&T cell phone 51.57 ITC phone 30.90 Total gross salaries for complete dept 5412.00 benefits 1710.22 Total
Weed expense 7204.69

ZONING: First District postage 353.63 quarterly payment 10,000.00 Hamlin County Publishing 543.93 Total zoning
expense 10,897.56

ECONOMIC DEV. : First District half year dues 8370.29

ROAD: AT&T cell phone 87.06 Auto Value supp 26.16 parts 45.35 Bryant City Util 22.64 Butler repairs 1725.36 parts
720.21 Equipment 312,632.47 DSR repairs 1947.47 Axxess LP 561.27 Estelline City Util 92.30 First District Prof Serv 250.00
Hamlin Coop parts 4.22 LP 792.17 Hayti Town Util 57.00 ITC phone 146.73 Macs Hardware parts 89.97 Menards supp
34.45 Northwestern Energy Util 544.03 Office Peeps supp 86.87 Ottertail Power Util 77.09 SDACHS Registration 200.00
dues 600.00 SD State Treasurer excise tax .99 W.W. Tire repairs 733.37 Visa cell phone 1.05 supp 663.68 Total gross
salaries for complete dept 50,534.35 benefits 17,537.90 Total Road expense 390,214.16

AG BUILDING: Hayti Town Util 57.00 ITC Internet 68.90 Northwestern Energy Util 283.18

EMERGENCY & DISASTER: AT& T cell phone 50.16 ITC phone 32.70 Service Plus repairs 1445.04 Total gross salaries for
complete dept 5387.00 benefits 1910.83 Total Emer & Dis expense 8824.73

WIC: Chantel Sprang travel 152.60 Total gross salaries for complete dept 4074.40 benefits 556.15

ECONOMIC DEV. : Ally Dakota Dev. Loan Revolving over see loans 9914.85 yearly charge

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

COUNTY 24/7: total gross salaries for complete dept 571.50 benefits 85.67

BOOKMOBILE: total gross salaries for complete dept 4684.50 benefits 639.44

QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TO TOWNSHIPS: Castlewood 2203.57 Oxford 3556.64 Brantford 5180.32 Garfield 3131.39 Norden 4793.73 Estelline 3517.98 Hamlin 2551.50 Dempster 3015.41 Florence 2435.53 Hayti 3247.37 Cleveland 2667.48 Opdahl 3788.60 Dixon 3711.28 total 43,800.80

YEARLY DISTRIBUTION OF GAME LICENSE to townships: Castlewood 384.56 Oxford 620.69 Brantford 904.04 Garfield 546.47 Norden 836.58 Estelline 613.94 Hamlin 445.30 Dempster 526.23 Florence 425.04 Hayti 566.71 Cleveland 465.52 Opdahl 661.17 Dixon 647.65 Total 7643.90

QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TO CITIES & TOWNS: Bryant 2006.33 Castlewood 2732.14 Estelline 2528.34 Hayti 1438.54 Hazel 569.97 Lake Norden 1622.71 Total 10,898.03

QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF CITIES ROAD TO CITIES & TOWNS: Castlewood 388.65 Hazel 68.16 Bryant 223.54 Lake Norden 215.95 Hayti 293.80 Estelline 428.85 Total 1618.95

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Buck, seconded by Popham to enter into executive session at 11:30 for contractual matters 1-25-2 (3) All members voting Aye. Motion Carried. The Chairman declared them out at 12:00

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 until Feb. 17, 2026 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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