

April 21,2020

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on April 21 with the following members present: Noem, Baldwin, Saathoff, Rudebusch and Roe. No one absent.

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 Rudebusch seconded by Baldwin to approve the minutes of April 7 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Board signed their oath as an Equalization Board and then met as that. Director of Equalization Chris Schafer was present.

#1 Mark Kelsey met with the Board by phone concerning the value of Lot 49 Hendricksons Beach. Estelline Twp Current value was 36,930 He stated it is non-buildable land due to culvert in the middle of lot, with no value as a standalone building lot. The Director of Equalization recommended the value be put at 27,698 which is a 25% reduction for unbuildable lot due to culvert. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Baldwin to accept the Director of Equalizations recommendation of 27,698 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#2 Thomas & Mary Bell met with the Board by phone concerning Lots 49 and 49A Nelsons Beach, Estelline Twp . Mr. Bell stated the property has totally flooded two times in 10 years. Structure was torn down due to mold-since it was torn down the land has flooded every year so no building can be done until water is off property. Value on lot was 62,279 The Director of Equalization is recommending a value of 49,823 for a 20% reduction due to location and holding water due to elevation. Value goes back to last years valuation . Motion by Roe seconded by Saathoff to accept the recommendation of the Director of Equalization for a value of 49,823 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#3 Mark & Dana Wolff met with the Board by phone concerning Lots 48 and 48A Nelsons Beach, Estelline Twp . He stated the value of property has decreased due to flooding and standing water. Property is unusable during that time and has developed mold in the cabin. Value on cabin was 194,212 lot 138,339 The Director of Equalization recommended a value of 116,527 on the cabin and 110,671 on the lot since the cabin has been flooded since last summer. Water in crawl space just receded, Cabin value lowered 40% for black mold in crawl space and lot lowered 20% for location and holding water due to elevation. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Saathoff to accept the recommendation of the Director of Equalization for cabin 116,527 and lot 110,671 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#4 Garry & Marjorie Grorud met with the Board by phone concerning N 40' of Lot 10 and S 20' of Lot 11 in Forrest Gottschalks, Estelline Twp. He stated he could build a new insulated garage for the current valuation. He stated this garage is not insulated and is 12 years old. Value on garage was 50,976 and lot 53,179 The Director of Equalization was recommending a value of 38,656 on the garage and the lot to stay at 53,179 because garage was revalued and market adjustments applied. Motion by Roe seconded by Baldwin to accept the recommendation of the Director of Equalization for 38,656 on garage and 53,179 on land. All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

#5 Mavis & Walter Poelstra met with the Board by phone concerning the house located in Hamlin Township in NW1/4 Section 28-115-51 which is an older house which they rent out. The insurance company will no longer carry insurance on such. They feel the house is in poor condition and is to be torn down by them when this renter leaves the property. Current value on house is 40,779 and land 343,368. The Director of Equalization is recommending the house value be 6000 due to the poor condition and the land would stay the same at 343,368. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Rudebusch to accept the Director of Equalization's recommendation of 6000 for house and 343,368 for land. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#6 Eric & Jennifer Bortnem Risty met with the Board by phone concerning the W 146' of OL 9 Block 12 in Estelline City. The value on the house is 141,126, extra building 2048 and land 6074. The Local Board of Equalization put the value on house at 111,878, extra building 2048 and land 6074. The owner feels this is an incorrect assessment value. The Director of Equalization was recommending 83,123 on house which includes garage and 2048 on extra building and 6074 on land. He recalculated value from when purchased on open market in 2012. Assessment is above fair market value. He did an exterior inspection and observed a lot of deferred maintenance and will review interior's information when allowable. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Roe to accept the Director of Equalization's recommendation of 83,123 for house and garage 2048 for extra building and 6074 for land. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

#7 Kenneth Grunewaldt did not meet with the Board. This is concerning Lot 12 Block 3 in Hayti Town. Value on house was 91,978 and lot 2484. The Local Board of Equalization did not make a change in the valuation. The owner was questioning the square footage assigned to the basement and plumbing rough in basement. The Director of Equalization stated the footage in basement was incorrect. And recalculated value. Removed value of basement plumbing rough – in. He stated he recommended a value of 88,478 on house and 2484 on lot. Motion by Baldwin seconded by Rudebusch to accept the recommendation of the Director of Equalization of 88,478 on house and 2484 on lot. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Dennis & Olive Johansen for NE1/4SW ¼ & S ½ S1/2 & N ½ SE ¼ Less Lot 1 Johansen in Cleveland Twp Record #897. House should be moved to Record 7218. Value 62,669. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Baldwin to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Larry & Evelyn Bakke in Estelline Twp concerning mobile home is being assessed on Record 284 and should be deleted as it is on Record 6770. Value 2831. Motion by Roe seconded by Rudebusch to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Sherwood & Patsy Svarvari in Norden Twp on SW ¼ less Svarvari Addn. due to buildings and house on wrong parcel not added after AG reappraisal Record 6929. Value 166,034. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Baldwin to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for David and Eileen Raw on Lot 5 Flakus Addn in SE ¼ SE ¼ in Norden Township Record # 339 value 20,602 as land was calculated as AG and as Small Acreage,needs to be small acreage only. Motion by Baldwin seconded by Roe to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Mary Nordman on Mobile Home on leased Site in Lake Poinsett Estates in Norden Twp Record #6116 Value on mobile home 1000 garage 1794. Delete record as mobile home and garage burned nothing there. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Saathoff to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Jerry & Geraldine Runia W 420' of GL 4 and 5 less platted portions in Norden Twp Record #6932 value 33,112 Acres should be 11.1 not 12.16 value now 30,173 Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Saathoff to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Bahnson Family Revocable Trust on Lot 1A in Nitteberg Beach Norden Twp Record 5866 value 13,536 Reduced at County Board last year to 3060 Value has increased to previous value.Motion by Baldwin Seconded by Saathoff to make this adjustment to 3060 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for Ron and Tammy White in Castlewood City Outlots in SE 35-115-52: N 100' of E ½ of OL 3 Record 3812 House removed three years ago Value 13,828 to 0 Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Roe to make this adjustment to 0 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an office adjustment for 17 parcels for water acres which were not recorded in assessment notices. Motion by Roe seconded by Rudebusch to make these adjustments. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization was requesting an owner occupied addition for parcel 1420 which needs to get owner occupied status. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Saathoff to make this adjustment. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization presented 6 parcels that have renewable resources on them. Motion by Roe seconded by Saathoff to approve these renewable resources. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization presented the list of 65 exempt properties for approval. Motion by Rudebusch seconded by Baldwin to approve such properties as exempt. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization presented the list of 12 applicants to receive the disabled vet exemption. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Baldwin to approve these applications. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Director of Equalization presented the list of 41 applicants for elderly freeze who had qualified.Motion by Saathoff seconded by Roe to approve these applications. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

Equalization will be continued at the May 5,2020 meeting.

The Board then convened as a Commissioners Board.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen Highway Supt met with the Board by phone. Bryan stated the Poinsett Colony thought maybe an old bridge deck might work for the crossing east of the Colony. Commissioner Saathoff stated a contractor had looked at such and did not know if it would work. The Board will wait to see what action needs to be taken. Loren Beld of LL and Sons Mining is mining gravel one and one half miles west of Kones Korner and would like a haul agreement from there to Highway 81. The Board stated to wait until he has all his permits. Some of the roads are being torn up by people hauling on them. The department will keep trying to repair such. The department had hauled rock and built up an area on 446th Ave. and most of the water is now coming off of it.

STRIPING AGREEMENT: Motion by Rudebusch seconded Baldwin to authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement to Provide for the Striping and Continuing Maintenance of County Roads in Hamlin County with the Dept of Transportation to stripe approximately 25 miles of county roads at a cost to the county of 19,877.59 Total cost of project is 26,955.00 with the State paying the difference. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

SHERIFFS CONTRACT LAW: Motion by Roe seconded by Rudebusch to authorize the Chairman to sign the shared policing agreements for Jan. 1,2021-Dec. 31-2021 as presented by the Sheriff for contract law for Bryant City 520 hours at 1344.33 monthly, Castlewood City 1300 hours at 3358.33 monthly and Castlewood School for 180 hours at 620.00 per month . All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

AUTOMATIC SUPPLEMENT: Motion by Baldwin seconded by Roe to make an automatic supplement to the Sheriffs Budget (101-211-411) in the amount of 785.02 from Highway Safety Grant and to revenue source of grant (101-331.95) and to Road Revenue source (201-374.10) scrap iron in the amount of 235.90 All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

SHERIFFS DEPT: The Sheriffs office had requested permission to apply for a grant of 14,000.00 towards salaries with County match of 3500.00 which will be during normal patrol time and to apply for a radar unit grant of 1599.20 and County will pay 399.80 and grant for Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program from the USDJS which they are working on and also to allow the electronic signature from the Chairman to apply for such. Motion by Roe seconded by Rudebusch to allow them to proceed in applying for such. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

The Auditor reported the cash on hand in the Treasurers Office as of April 1,2020

Checking Account	\$589,125.60
Money Markets	\$2,452,900.91
CD's	\$4,050,000.00
Cash on Hand	\$1,471.88
Checks on Hand	\$44,997.08
Credit Card Deposit on Hand	\$1,553.92
Petty Cash on Hand	\$400.00
Total	\$7,140,449.39

of this the following belongs to

General Fund	\$4,071,537.83
Special Revenue	\$2,293,100.02
Schools	\$403,714.53
Townships	\$138,887.53
Cities & Towns	\$93,260.04
Trust and Agency Funds	\$139,949.44
Total	\$7,140,449.39

Claims Paid: Quadiant Postage 2121.00 Lingo Communications phones Auditor 11.69 Register of Deeds 12.66 Assessor 17.49 Treasurer 16.40 Weed 11.69 Courthouse 11.69 Extension 12.21 LIEAP 11.69 Ottetail Power Elect Ag Bldg 71.93 Courthouse 691.29 Verizon Sheriff Cell Phones & air cards 528.30 SD Public Health Lab Blood tests 40.00 SDACO part of Register of Deeds fees to state 212.00 Visa Road supp 20.15 phone 1.05 Visa Courthouse Maint supp 42.00 Sheriff supplies 579.06 Northwestern Energy Heat Courthouse 441.88 Ag Bldg 146.94 Northwestern Energy Road Util 23.01 Jutting Grocery COVID-19 Emerg & Disaster supp 297.99 Hamlin County Treasurer Sheriff title 21.20 Gustafson Tiling payment 9,000.00

SD Dept of Revenue money sent to State: Birth Fees 70.00 Death Fees 10.00 Drivers license 478.00 Motor Vehicle License \$97,508.32 Total sent \$98,066.32

QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TO TOWNSHIPS:

Castlewood	\$2,682.84	Oxford	\$4,330.19
Brantford	\$6,307.02	Garfield	\$3,812.45
Norden	\$5,836.35	Estelline	\$4,283.13
Hamlin	\$3,106.44	Dempster	\$3,671.25
Florence	\$2,965.24	Hayti	\$3,953.66
Cleveland	\$3,247.65	Opdahl	\$4,612.60
Dixon	\$4518.46		
Total:	\$53,327.28		

PRO RATE LICENSE TO TOWNSHIPS:

Castlewood	\$517.44	Oxford	\$835.16
Brantford	\$1,216.43	Garfield	\$735.31
Norden	\$1,125.65	Estelline	\$826.08
Hamlin	\$599.14	Dempster	\$708.07
Florence	\$571.90	Hayti	\$762.54
Cleveland	\$626.37	Opdahl	\$889.63
Dixon	\$871.49		
Total	\$10,285.21		

PRO RATE LICENSE TO CITIES & TOWNS:

Bryant	\$661.76	Castlewood	\$931.84
Estelline	\$862.50	Hayti	\$410.56
Hazel	\$221.07	Lake Norden	\$542.34
Total	\$3,630.07		

QUARTERLY 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	\$1,618.95		

QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TO CITIES & TOWNS:

Castlewood	\$3,812.13	Bryant	\$2,707.25
Hazel	\$904.40	Lake Norden	\$2,218.67
Estelline	\$3,528.49	Hayti	\$1,679.59
Total	\$14,850.53		

Meeting adjourned at noon until May 5,2020 in the Commissioners Room Courthouse at Hayti
Call 783-3201 if you would like to speak by phone at this meeting.

Douglas Noem Chairman of the Board

Dixie Opdahl Hamlin County Auditor

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