

Feb. 21,2023

UNAPPROVED MINUTES: The Hamlin County Board of Commissioners met on Feb. 21 2023 with the following members present: Rudebusch, Saathoff, Tulson and Roe. Absent Noem.

The Chairman led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Roe, seconded by Saathoff to approve the minutes of Feb 7,2023 All members voting aye. Motion Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Bryan Pedersen, Highway Supt met with the Board. He stated the injection pump had went out of one of the motorgraders. The company stated it would be the end of March before they could get one. He even called a company in New York and they stated they did not have any either. He presented the new rates for equipment charges for townships or cities. Motion by Saathoff seconded by Roe to approve these charges. They will be given to the townships today.

RECREATION TRAIL PROGRAM: Kevin Grunewaldt met with the Board. He would like to apply for a Recreation Trail Program grant for a motorized trail along the west side of US 81 along the west side of Lake Poinsett. He has met with First District . Easements, engineering , on a reimbursement basis using the Countys name. All of this would have to be done by March 24 The Board felt at this time this could not all be accomplished by March 24. There also could be no cost to the County.

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING: The Commissioners then went to the 4-H Building for their annual meeting with the township boards. Roll Call was taken with 9 townships being present. The Highway Bookkeeper read the minutes from last years meeting. Motion by Leiseth seconded by Kranz to approve the minutes of last year. All members voting aye . Motion Carried. Bryan Pedersen Highway Supt discussed the new rates and the township small culvert program . Three townships have been approved for the culvert program. The members stated that 185th St was a very good road and a good improvement. Brett Schutt the new Hamlin County Emergency & Disaster Director was introduced. Cody Michalski Weed Supervisor gave a report of the yearly work they had done. He stated he would come to any township meeting if they want. He stated the annual weed meeting will be March 6 at 1:00 and the last chance to become certified for spraying would be April 6 in Watertown. Dustin Leiseth then took over for the township assoc. meeting. Commissioners then resumed their meeting at the Courthouse.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Saathoff seconded by Roe to go into executive session at 10:50 for personnel reasons SDCL 1-25-2 (1) All members voting Aye. Motion Carried. The Chairman declared them out at 11:10

Motion by Roe seconded by Rudebusch to terminate an employee immediately. All members voting Aye. Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Tulson seconded by Saathoff to go into executive session at 11:30 for personnel reasons SDCL 1-25-2 (1). All members voting Aye. Motion Carried. The Chairman declared them out at 11:45

CHAIRS: The Board approved purchasing eight chairs for the Commissioners Room. This would be from Innovative . Total cost for eight would be 1428.30

The Auditor reported the cash in Treasurers Office as of Feb. 1, 2023 Checking Account 2,437,816.92 Money Market 3,877,399.99 CD's 3,000,000.00 Cash on hand 1777.40 Checks on hand 76,389.69 Credit Card Deposit on hand 4940.44 Petty Cash 400.00 Total 9,398,724.44 Of this the following belongs to General Fund 6,531,868.71 Special Revenue 1,971,361.36 Schools 415,439.04 Townships 78,648.56 Cities & Towns 64,775.70 Trust and Agency 336,631.07 total 9,398,724.44

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 until March 7, 2023 at 9:30 am in the Commissioners Room courthouse at Hayti.

CHAIRMAN: _____
Randall Rudebusch Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Dixie Opdahl Hamlin County Auditor

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