

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 20, 2026

Sanborn County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 20, at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Jeff Ebersdorfer presiding. Present was Jeff Ebersdorfer, Steve Larson, Earl Hinricher, Gary Blindauer, and Duane Peterson. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Larson, to approve the minutes from the January 6 meeting. Motion carried. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Hinricher seconded by Blindauer to rescind both motions from the January 6th meeting, for approval for two plats for the Woonsocket School District of which landowners are Jack & Bernie Davis. Motion carried. Reasoning to rescind both motions is an incorrect description of the property and grammatical errors.

CITIZENS INPUT:

No public was in attendance for input.

REPORTS & BILLS:

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Blindauer to pay the following bills. Motion carried.

Sanborn County Treasurer	Taxes in Trust	\$631.68
Tim Pearson	Supplies	\$7,088.86
First National Bank SD	Tax Liability	\$3,087.40
Accounts Management	Employee Garnishment	\$43.50
Town, Townships & Schools	Monthly Remittance	\$73,699.60
Central Electric Coop	Utilities	\$407.77
SDACO	Monthly Remittance	\$66.00
State Treasurer	Monthly Remittance	\$63,482.90
Xcel Energy	Utilities	\$364.92
2nd & Bloom Flower Shop	Sympathy Flowers	\$57.00
A-OX Welding	Supplies	\$81.05
AT&T Mobility	Utilities	\$452.85
Beadle Co Sheriff	Jail Fees	\$525.00
Bound Tree	Supplies	\$162.99
Brooks Oil Company	Fuel	\$6,141.08
Brosz Engineering Inc	Engineering Costs	\$20,290.00
Certified Languages	Interpreter	\$49.50
City of Woonsocket	Utilities	\$120.36
Dakota Counseling/Stepping Stones	Quarterly Support	\$625.00

Department of Revenue	Sales Tax	\$33.21
Express 2	Fuel	\$203.50
Express Stop	Fuel	\$8.01
First National Bank Omaha	Supplies	\$927.54
Kevin Glover	EMT Courses - Dec. '25	\$150.00
KO'S Pro Service	Repairs\Supplies	\$843.11
Mac's Hardware Store	Supplies	\$40.66
Mack Metal Sales Inc	Supplies	\$23.80
Menard's	Supplies	\$89.02
Mobile Binders	Supplies	\$565.00
Northwestern Energy	Utilities	\$3,784.12
Office Equipment Service	Supplies	\$279.98
Office Peeps	Supplies	\$82.10
Pilcher Law Firm, Prof, LLC	January MyCase	\$274.53
Planning & Development District III	Web Site Hosting	\$15,498.00
Safe Place of Eastern SD	Quarterly Support	\$900.79
Sanborn County Ambulance	Supplies	\$2.96
Santel Communications	Utilities	\$1,418.72
SD Assoc. County Highway Superintendent.	Dues	\$800.00
Dina (Pudge) Shefner	Crushed Gravel	\$30,000.00
Sanborn Weekly Journal	Publishing	\$269.19
Travis Coulthard	Repairs	\$40.82
Tech Solutions	Tech Support	\$3,581.98
Titan Machinery	Repairs	\$8,275.39
Transource Truck & Equipment	Supplies	\$263.65
Truck & Trailer Specialists LLC	Repairs	\$542.25
Waste Management	Utilities	\$271.30
Williams Musical & Office Equipment	Repairs	\$380.00
WW Tire Service	Supplies	\$980.35

HIGHWAY:

Sheri Kogel, Highway Department, met with the board. Discussion on the current Quonset regarding replacement or repair.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Blindauer to approve the three township applications for the Rural Access Infrastructure Plan. Motion carried. The Rural Access Infrastructure Plan is a State Funded Grant program, to help Townships with the cost of replacing failing structures on Township Roads.
Union Township – \$69,20000
Union Township - \$6,800

TAMI ZIEBART, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Motion by Peterson, second by Larson, to enter Board of Adjustment. Motion carried.

Ziebart presented a conditional use for Robert Nicholson, with Robert Nicholson present. By recommendation from Planning & Zoning board, motion by Blindauer, seconded by Larson, to approve the variance as presented for Lot 1 Nicholson 1st Addition SE/4 of 30-105-59 of Ravenna Township, for purposes of Selling Firearms from place of residence. Motion carried.

Tami Ziebart, Director of Equalization, presented a variance for Richard Moe & Roger Moe. By recommendation from the Planning & Zoning board, motion by Larson, second by Blindauer, to approve the variance as presented for Plat of Tract 1 of Moe Addition in the NE/4 of the SE/4 of 22-106-61 of Letcher Township, for purposes of the plat being less than 10 acres, which requires a variance. Motion carried.

Ebersdorfer declared back to Board of Commissioners.

By recommendation from the Planning & Zoning board, a motion by Hinricher, seconded by Larson to approve the following resolution 2026-4 presented on behalf of Richard Moe and Roger Moe. Motion carried.

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota, that the plat of TRACT 1 OF MOE ADDITION IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER AND THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP 105 NORTH, RANGE 61 WEST OF THE 5TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SANBORN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, be and the same is hereby approved.

/s/Jeff Ebersdorfer, Chairperson of the Board

I hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the resolution passed by the Board of Commissioners of Sanborn County, South Dakota, at the regular meeting held on the 20th day of January, 2026.

/s/Kami Moody, Auditor, Sanborn County

RESOLUTION 2026-5 – VACATING A CERTAIN PORTION OF DITCH 16, LOCATED IN 107-61-29 AND 107-61-32

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Larson to approve Resolution 2026-5, to vacate a certain portion of Ditch 16. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, the Sanborn County Commissioners having received a petition pursuant to SDCL 31-3-6 et al., for the vacation of a certain portion of public Drainage Ditch 16 located in Silver Creek Township; and

WHEREAS, the Petition contains the signatures of two thirds of the adjacent landowners or all adjacent landowners if there are fewer than three; and

WHEREAS, the matter was presented at a public hearing, properly noticed, including publication in the official newspapers of the county, once each week for at least two consecutive weeks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, having considered all information, opinions, and arguments presented, being fully advised in the premises and good cause appearing, it is hereby

FOUND AND DETERMINED that the public interest will be better served by the action, to wit: to vacate a small section of County Drain 16, located in the South East Quarter of Section 29, and the North East Quarter of Section 32, all in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek township) Sanborn County, SD; and

the South East Quarter of Section 32, in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek Township) Sanborn County, SD; and the West Half of the North East Quarter of Section 29, and the West Half of Section 32, all in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek Township) Sanborn County SD; and

WHEREAS, the specified parcels are as follows:

The South East Quarter of Section 29, and the North East Quarter of Section 32, all in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek township) Sanborn County, SD;

The South East Quarter of Section 32, in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek Township) Sanborn County, SD;

The West Half of the North East Quarter of Section 29, and the West Half of Section 32, all in T107N, R61W (Silver Creek Township) Sanborn County SD; Every part of this ditch north of 232nd street; and

WHEREAS, the subject portion off "Ditch16" is located upon Sections 29 and 32 of Silver Creek Township, which Ditch is identified on the County Drainage Ditch map, located in the County Commissioner' room of the Sanborn County Courthouse, in Woonsocket South Dakota.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sanborn County Board of Commissioners state that this section of the ditch now be vacated/abandoned from the County Drainage system.

Upon roll call vote the following was recorded: Larson, aye; Hinricher, aye; Blindauer, nay; Peterson, aye; Ebersdorfer, aye.
Passed and enacted this 20th day of January 2026.

/s/Jeff Ebersdorfer, Sanborn County Chairman

ATTEST:

Kami Moody, Auditor

RESOLUTION 2026-3 – ESTABLISHING A R&B LEVY

Motion by Blindauer, seconded by Peterson, to approve Resolution 2026-3 to establish a Road & Bridge Levy. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, Sanborn County has deteriorating and substandard county roads and bridges; and

WHEREAS Sanborn County has inadequate revenue to meet the minimum road and bridge maintenance required; and

WHEREAS, SDCL 10-12-13 allows the Board of County Commissioners to establish a levy for the creation of a reserve fund to be accumulated and used for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, constructing and reconstructing roads and bridges in Sanborn County; and

WHEREAS taxable valuation within Sanborn County is less than one billion dollars;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Sanborn County Board of Commissioners that there shall be an increased levy in the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) per one thousand dollars of taxable valuation of property located within Sanborn County; and that the monies from the levy shall be placed into a reserve fund known as the Sanborn County Highway and Bridge Reserve fund; and be it further;

RESOLVED that said funds shall be used solely for county road and bridge purposes, and that the County Highway budget shall not be reduced on account of the special funds available.

Upon roll call vote the following was recorded: Larson, aye; Hinricher, aye; Blindauer, aye; Peterson, aye; Ebersdorfer, aye; Motion carried.

Dated at Woonsocket, SD this 20th day of January, 2026.

/s/Jeff Ebersdorfer, Chairman of Sanborn County Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/Kami Moody, Sanborn County Auditor

MINER COUNTY DISPATCH

Cora Schwader with Miner County Dispatch was present for discussion along with Jason Husby, state 911 coordinator. After much discussion, it was decided that the Miner County Commission and the Sanborn County Commission boards will plan a meeting all together to determine a resolution.

OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD:

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Larson to enter executive session at 12:19 for legal counsel. Motion carried. Ebersdorfer declared end of executive session at 12:26.

Minutes from the January 5 Planning & Zoning meeting were reviewed, discussed and approved.

Minutes from the January 14 Drainage Board meeting were reviewed, discussed and approved.

Emergency Manager, Josh Starzman, reported that Santel has a deed prepared to turn a lot over to the County, located in Artesian, since the lot houses one of our dispatch towers.

There being no further business before the board, motion by Blindauer, seconded by Hinricher, to adjourn the meeting at 1:02 pm. Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday February 3, 2026.

Kami Moody

Jeff Ebersdorfer

Sanborn County Auditor

Chairman of the Board, Sanborn County