

Dakota County Board of Commissioners  
Monday, March 17, 2025  
3:00 p.m. Regular Business Meeting  
County Board Meeting Room, First Floor  
Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Chair Hohenstein called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Rodriguez, Van Berkum, Bousquet, Reed. Absent: None. Also present was Kim Watson, County Attorney and Cherie Conley, County Clerk, acting as Board Secretary. The location of the Open Meetings Act was noted.

CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ROLL CALL – *Excused Absence*

A current copy of the *Open Meetings Act* is posted on the west wall near the entrance of the County Board Meeting Room and is available for review by all citizens in attendance.

*The Dakota County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjust the order of items on this agenda if necessary.*

1. PUBLIC COMMENT. The Board of Commissioners will hear comments about any item not on the agenda. The Chair has the discretion to limit the time of comment.
2. CONSENT AGENDA *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*
  - a. Approval of the previous meeting minutes – March 3, 2025.
  - b. Approval of payroll claims for March 2, 2025 to March 15, 2025.
  - c. Approval of payroll accounts payable claims
  - d. Approval of monthly accounts payable claims
  - e. Approval of Officials Reports-County Clerk, Register of Deeds, and Clerk of District Court
3. NEW BUSINESS & RESOLUTIONS
  - a. Brian Pearson, SIMPCO Facility Director/Transit Director, requesting Board to approve funding the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) busing in the amount of \$15,000 per year to assist with the expense of 1500 rides per year in rural Dakota County effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 to renew in writing annually.
  - b. Rural Water representative to give updates on Likuwanta Drive water line. Board review options and decide how to move forward if possible.
  - c. Board to review quotes on change orders for the M Avenue project and make decisions on how to proceed.
4. OLD BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS
  - a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Report
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hohenstein called for Public Comment. There was none.

Chair Hohenstein called for approval of the consent agenda items. He stated that he had gone through the accounts payable claims and payroll. Everything was in order. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve the consent agenda a) Approval of the previous meeting minutes – March 3, 2025; b) Approval of payroll claims for March 2 - 15, 2025; c) Approval of payroll accounts payable claims; and d) Approval of accounts payable claims; Approval of Officials Reports-County Clerk, Register of Deeds, and Clerk of District Court. ROLL CALL VOTE: Rodriguez-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**Payroll: General Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$185,547.56; Net Pay-\$134,294.52; Total Retirement-\$13,350.00; Total FICA-\$13,720.30; Health Plan-\$44,800.00; Dental Plan-\$1,620.00; Life Insurance-\$214.85; Richard Bousquet-\$1,225.62; Martin Hohenstein-\$1,271.77; Jeffrey Reed-\$1,225.62; Rogelio Rodriguez Villalobos-\$1,225.62; Brian Van Berkum-\$1,225.62; Cherie Conley-\$2,549.99; Robin Hansen-\$1,519.20; Paola Ledesma-\$1,689.60; Kathy Abbe-\$1,502.40; Khen Chu-\$1,280.00; Maria Garcia-\$1,346.41; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$2,549.99; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,657.60; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,420.00; Emily McNaughton-\$1,346.40; Debera Benton-\$1,540.01; Christy Abts-\$2,549.99; Melissa Collins-\$1,773.60; Joseph O'Neil-\$636.00; Karen Becerra-\$1,744.80; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,549.99; Louvontree Hunter-\$3,615.82; Debra Jensen-\$1,781.60; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,361.17; Rodney Soole-\$2,480.24; Todd Uhl-\$1,920.00; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,611.77; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$2,427.88; Shaun Bird-\$2,609.04; Timothy Decker-\$2,766.78; Brian Ellinger-\$2,625.21; Penny Epting-\$3,006.03; Brian Fernau-\$2,484.23; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,511.81; Jeremy Gilpin-\$2,502.89; Martin Guerrero-\$2,573.12; Melvin Harrison III-\$2,583.08; Jason James-\$2,405.60; Kimberly Johnson-\$745.73; Jared Junge-\$2,611.18; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,185.79; Jose Magana-\$2,355.50; Keaton Mueller-\$2,138.08; Gregory Nyhof-\$2,798.98; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$2,345.25; Mardi Schnee-\$1,384.80; Ryne Sell-\$929.20; Sarah Hammond-\$2,588.01; Shantel Krull-\$1,110.20; Jocelyn Rivera-\$1,457.27; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,910.80; Kimberly Watson-\$3,981.55; Alexandra Wolf-\$672.75; Jacob Acero-\$1,783.61; Summer Adair-\$1,758.13; Roberto Alvarez-Arreola-\$1,701.06; Shaelee Barreras-\$2,850.00; Ismael Castro-\$1,876.22; Timathey Chamberlain-\$1,960.93; Charlotte Coleman-\$853.86; Ruby De La Torre-\$1,923.92;

Adilene Delgadillo Alvarez-\$769.67; Elisabet DeRoin-\$2,346.05; Cody Epting-\$1,808.96; Rebekah Epting-\$1,808.96; Jennifer Fuentes-\$2,033.97; Jonathan Gray-\$2,511.06; Kara Groetken-\$1,875.20; McKenna Hammer-\$1,812.32; Todd Hammer-\$2,611.18; Adam Hough-\$1,938.00; Dustin Johnson-\$1,810.68; Terry Johnson-\$2,107.64; Brandon Long-\$2,493.90; Jennifer Marquez-\$1,764.74; Skyler Miner-\$1,938.58; Kelsey O'Neill-\$2,115.55; Jaime Perez-Rojas-\$767.92; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,874.44; Cesar Ponce Robles-\$1,946.82; Michele Rohde-\$1,715.49; Jeremy Russell-\$1,938.96; Jerry Santos-\$1,831.44; Jennifer Svendsen-\$3,302.35; Armando Valerio-\$1,745.74; Randall Walsh-\$2,662.58; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,266.37; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,196.53; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,546.36; Theresa Grove-\$2,529.60; Johanna Marquez-\$1,331.20; Courtney Swick-\$1,626.09; Nicholas Nieman-\$2,499.89; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$10,985.77; State Tax-\$6,003.26; Soc Sec-\$11,119.74; Medicare-\$2,600.56; Extra Fit-\$1,516.00; Extra Sit-\$500.00; Retirement-\$9,234.23; Health Plan-\$3,550.00; Dental Plan-\$525.00; Colonial Health-\$194.73; Sheriff Union Dues-\$850.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$690.00; Garnishments-\$1,331.06; Flex Plan Medical-\$1,073.08; Flex Dependent Care-\$208.33; VSP Vision Prem-\$391.87; Legal Shield-\$128.64; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$112.07; Liberty Nat'l Post tax-\$41.97; VSP Vision Base-\$142.73; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$16,853.81; Net Pay-\$12,604.28; Retirement-\$1,137.62; Total FICA-\$1,283.30; Health Plan-\$4,480.00; Dental Plan-\$160.00; Life Insurance-\$19.51; Robert Hacker-\$1,960.80; Scott Jorgneson-\$1,924.80; David Kneifl-\$2,076.69; Kimon Litras-\$2,189.51; Tanya Orr-\$1,844.80; Dean Pallas-\$2,466.26; Colton Stallbaum-\$2,213.52; Gunner Stanwick-\$2,177.43; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,305.94; State Tax-\$594.37; FICA-\$1,040.06; Medicare-\$243.24; Extra Fit-\$25.00; Retirement-\$758.43; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Road Union Dues-\$165.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$19.18; Legal Shield-\$38.91; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$14.67; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,612.26; Net Pay-\$1,215.14; Retirement-\$108.83; Total FICA-\$119.51; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Chloe Coover-\$1,612.26; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$100.36; State Tax-\$54.70; FICA-\$96.86; Medicare-\$22.65; Retirement-\$72.55; Flex Plan Medical-\$50.00; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,982.92; Net Pay-\$1,570.39; Retirement-\$118.58; Total FICA-\$148.89; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Mohamud Ibrahim-\$226.12; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,756.80; **Health Program Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$98.68; State Tax-\$49.24; FICA-\$120.67; Medicare-\$28.22; Retirement-\$79.06; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,917.00; Net Pay-\$1,589.11; Retirement-\$129.40; Total FICA-\$143.84; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Kristin Robinette-\$1,917.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$0.00; State Tax-\$61.12; FICA-\$116.58; Medicare-\$27.26; Retirement-\$86.27; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66.

**Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$248.73; Dental Account, premium-\$2,145.00; FSA Dep Care - \$208.33; FSA Medical - \$1,073.08; Health Plan, premium-\$48,350.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union dues-\$850.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$12,501.77; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.04; Legalshield, premium-\$128.64; Life Insurance, premium-\$214.85; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$690.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$6,503.26; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$22,584.23; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$27,440.60; VSP, premium-\$534.60. **Road Fund:** Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$38.23; Dental Account, premium-\$160.00; Health Plan, premium-\$4,480.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,330.94; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$38.91; Life Insurance, premium-\$19.51; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$594.37; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$165.00; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$1,896.05; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2,566.60; VSP, premium-\$33.85; **Insurance Fund 1275:** Mid-American Benefits-medical claims \$42,406.84; PointC-administrative fees, \$27,003.74; **Health Fund 2502:** DC FSA-medical claims-\$50.00; Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$100.36; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$54.70; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$181.38; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$239.02; **Health Fund 2504:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$98.68; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$49.24; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$197.64; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$297.78; VSP, premium-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$61.12; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$215.67; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$287.68; VSP, premium-\$15.66.

**Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Crowne Plaza, lodging-\$179.00; Dakota County Star, publications-\$242.14; Des Moines Stamp, commissioners stamps-\$226.75; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$142.59; One Office, office supplies-\$297.49; Dakota County Star, publications-\$2,817.98; DAS State Acct, state printers-\$184.00; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$67.54; MIPS, state printings-\$1,115.84; One Office, office supplies-\$1,073.30; Recording Printing, envelopes-\$346.00; US Bank, workshop-\$30.00; Margie Rahn, prior year service-\$12.00; GreatAmerica Financial, copier contract-\$284.18; Innovative Appraisal, re-assmnt fld hrs-\$2,148.25; MIPS, software-\$1,946.80; One Office, office supplies-\$50.58; Stanard Appraisal, residential reval/maint-\$18,766.00; Crowne Plaza, lodging-\$619.80; Dakota County Star, publications-\$12.10; Leaf, copier contract-\$103.00; Joe O'Neill, mileage, meals-\$473.43; One Office, copies-\$19.25; US Bank, workshop-\$235.00; RTI, IT support-\$10,727.20; GreatAmerica Financial, copier lease-\$93.04; MIPS, scanning-\$68.00; One Office, office supplies-\$88.02; Des Moines Stamp, date stamp-\$76.00; Dakota County Court, deposit slip-\$90.00; Government Forms & Supplies, probate/guardianship folders-\$671.74; Marco, copier contract-\$359.87; Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$153.00; US Bank, supplies, water-\$83.75; Perla Alarcon-Flory, interpreter fees-\$168.75; Brimer Francis, interpreter fees-\$100.00; Leaf, copier contract-\$204.50; Victoria Mendiola, interpreter fees-\$50.00; One Office, office supplies-\$74.79; Thomas Reuters-West, NE court rules & procedure-\$1,026.05; Maggie Cook, mileage, mental health hearing-\$124.00; Dakota County Court, court cost-\$952.15; Dakota County Sheriff, papers, warrants-\$1,117.24; District Court, court fees-\$832.00; Randy Hisey, atty fees-

\$978.50; Kate M Jorgensen, atty fees-\$4,979.35; Linda Kastning, mileage, mental health hearing-\$110.00; Stuart Mills, atty fees-\$812.50; Robyn Newbrey, mileage, mental health hearing-\$110.00; Stratton, DeLay, Doele, Carlson, atty fees-\$904.50; Richard Thramer, atty fees-\$6,697.50; Robert Wichser, atty fees-\$10,332.33; 24/7 Locksmith Service, lock repair-\$95.00; Burke Engineering, bathroom mirrors remodel-\$540.00; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$204.01; Eakes, janitorial supplies-\$863.07; J&M Auto Repair, plow truck repair-\$372.75; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$215.05; Lyles Garage Door, repairs-\$572.80; Menards, building supplies-\$311.81; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$1,367.04; Modlin Construction, additional plumbing, painting, flooring-\$1,311.30; NPPD, utilities-\$1,461.39; NE State Fire Marshal, boiler annual certification-\$108.00; R Rohan Electric, outlet repairs to clerks office-\$1,118.15; Schmitz Pro, courtroom bench repair-\$350.00; Rodney Soole, mileage-\$53.20; Trembly, pest control-\$55.00; United Serv LLC-DBA Morningside Plumbing, bathroom repairs-\$225.00; US Bank, fuel, building supplies, misc-\$356.46; Wilmes, shop supplies, tools-\$109.44; Angela Abts, mileage-\$306.93; Julie Boyle, mileage-\$194.88; Hy-Vee, chamber coffee supplies-\$89.23; Leaf, copier contract-\$103.00; NACEB, dues-\$100.00; One Office, copier contract-\$233.33; PMRNRD, monthly rent-\$750.00; US Bank, supplies, misc-\$139.45; WalMart/Sams, supplies-\$32.86; AT&T, phones-\$600.60; AutoZone, vehicle repair-\$96.27; Benchmark Gov Solutions, training meals-\$473.15; Billion, vehicle repair-\$484.75; Linda Carson, prior year service-\$11.00; CMI, intoxilyzer gas-\$223.03; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$5,936.84; Fremont Tire, vehicle repair-\$1,054.95; Jack's Uniforms, uniforms-\$123.80; Michael Baker, state testing-\$230.00; Nebraska State Patrol, data processing fee-\$1,272.00; Physicians Laboratory, coroner-\$2,750.00; Rick's Radiator, vehicle repair-\$245.00; Sandhills State Bank, lease payment-\$18,197.49; TransUnion Risk, searches-\$124.00; US Bank, LE supplies, fuel, training-\$1,072.83; Wilmes, supplies-\$161.97; Marco, copier contract-\$215.16; Nebraska.gov, certified records-\$25.50; Thurston County Sheriff, subpoena fees-\$34.77; US Bank, phones, misc-\$154.10; City of So Sioux City, LEC cost shares-\$51,735.36; AJ Philips, office supplies-\$253.00; American Legion Flag, flags-\$83.00; Associated Fire Protection, qrtly inspection-\$10,584.10; AT&T, phones-\$47.04; Bunkers Feed & Supply, softener salt-\$113.28; Charm-Tex, prisoner supplies-\$484.50; City of Dakota City, utilities-\$2,546.00; City of So Sioux City, fuel-\$927.32; CNOS, medical billing-\$297.00; Diamond Drug, inmate repair-\$2,915.25; Eakes, prisoner & janitorial supplies, laundry-\$4,141.13; Fremont Tire, vehicle repair-\$44.50; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$339.55; GRP, disposals-\$93.00; Hobart Sales & Service, dishwasher basket-\$627.16; Jack's Uniforms, uniforms-\$1,322.45; MLB Health, doctor fees-\$18,000.00; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$2,104.29; NPPD, utilities-\$2,059.16; Pathology Medical Service, pathology from ER visit-\$15.00; Phoenix Plumbing, toilet repair-\$444.22; Plumbing Pros, toilet repair-\$419.76; Plumbing & Heating Wholesale, building repair-\$141.32; Siouxland Community Health, medical billing-\$350.00; Summit Food, food & beverages-\$31,108.67; Thurston County Sheriff, inmate housing-\$11,880.00; Trembly, pest control-\$100.00; US Bank, medical, janitorial & office supplies, repairs-\$3,749.63; Wells Fargo, copier lease-\$508.19; Wilmes, building supplies-\$80.49; City of So Sioux City, pickup fuel-\$82.96; US Bank, workshop-\$30.00; Verizon, phones-\$42.94; Verizon, phones-\$43.03; Availity, medical billing-\$128.75; Marco, copier contract-\$222.06; NACCHO, dues-\$280.00; US Bank, supplies, misc-\$97.00; Dr Thomas Wentz, consulting fee-\$250.00; CVSOAN, registration-\$60.00; NACVSO, dues-\$50.00; Nicholas Nieman, mileage-\$478.80; US Bank, supplies-\$14.60; US Bank, online legal research-\$393.00; Beatrice State Development Center, institutional cost-\$270.00; Crary Huff Law, rd dept issue-\$276.50; Dakota City Postmaster, presort mt-\$350.00; DAS State Acct, payroll/acct payable-\$150.00; Im On, phones-\$747.92; Knights of Columbus, joint city/county/school annual meeting-\$1,500.00; Kustom Signals, vehicle supplies-\$6,119.88; Lincoln Regional Center, institutional cost-\$270.00; MercyOne, monthly EAP-\$234.84; MIPS, payroll/acct payable, checks, W2s-\$670.71; Nebraska Loess Hills, annual sponsor due-\$350.00; Norm Waitt, membership-\$184.50; Region 4 Behavior Health, qrt 4 FY25 mental health-\$10,822.75; US Postal Serv, postage-\$4,000.00; Kathy Wiltgen, reimbursement-\$50.00; **Road Fund:** Backus Sand & Gravel, gravel-\$2,082.58; Blackhill Energy, utilities-\$220.94; Blackstrap Inc, chemical salt-\$3,874.70; Bomgaars, shop supplies, oil-grease, parts-\$1,577.28; Bosselman Pump & Pantry, fuel-\$2,380.36; Dakota County Start, publications-\$65.99; Engel's Heating & Cooling, building repair-\$4,137.50; Fastenal, shop supplies-\$222.48; Gill Hauling, dumpster-\$144.36; H204U, water-\$52.00; Heartland Tire, tires-\$402.00; J&J's Pronto, fuel-\$100.91; K&K Hubbard Mini Mart, fuel-\$217.31; LP Gill Landfill, plastic culverts-\$33.48; Marx Trailer, parts-\$20.83; Medical Enterprises, drug test-\$127.00; Arnie Mellick, prior year service-\$13.00; Menards, shop supplies, misc-\$170.37; MidAmerican Energy, utilities-\$300.81; Midwest Wheel, parts-\$13.50; NPPD, utilities-\$108.43; Northeast NE Telephone, phone-\$123.57; Northeast Power, utilities-\$531.84; Northside Glass, labor-\$500.00; O'Reilly Auto Parts, supplies, parts-\$53.18; Petersen Metal Products, parts, labor-\$1,600.94; Power Plan, parts-\$8,448.92; RC Customs, labor, steel-\$911.25; RMS, shop supplies-\$92.77; Robertson, oil-\$75.00; Sapp Bros, fuel-\$1,402.52; Siouxland Hydraulics, parts-\$378.08; Stan Houston, asphalt-\$109.75; Stephan Welding, steel products-\$225.00; Triview Comm, camera server issue-\$465.00; US Bank, shop supplies, parts-\$37.57; Verizon Connect, GPS-\$471.70; Verizon Wireless, phones-\$42.94; Village of Emerson, utilities-\$43.76; Warren Oil, diesel-\$2,242.00; Wilmes Hardware, supplies, parts, tools-\$311.01; **Visitor Promo:** SSC Chamber of Commerce, visitor promo-\$11,800.77; **P&M Fund:** Microfilm Imaging, scanning-\$210.00; MIPS, software-\$616.23; **S.T.O.P Fund:** US Bank, 5 tint meters for NSP traffic-\$845.00; **2504 Health Grant:** US Bank, supplies, website-\$289.12; Verizon, phones-\$82.95; **2507 Juvenile Grant:** Cedars, electronic monitoring-\$780.00; Community Monitoring, family support-\$1,143.75; **2508 Health Grant:** Ford Motor Credit Company, lease payment-\$912.16; Stericycle, sharps for clinic-\$968.63; US Bank, phone-\$102.96; **ARPA Fund:** Civil Engineers, construction oversight-Likueanta Dr-\$20,856.75; CW Suter Service, jail-heating & air repairs-\$5,433.00; Modlin Construction, courthouse bathroom remodels-\$15,000.00; Triview Comm, phone systems-\$1,312.50; **Public Safety 2960:** RFD Sales Tax, tax month-\$31,250.70

Brian Pearson, SIMPCO Facility Director/Transit Director, gave an update on the services being offered by the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) and requested Board support to keep this benefit in Dakota County as it continues to grow. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Bousquet to approve renewing the transportation services contract with Siouxland Regional Transit System in the amount of \$15,000 per year to assist with the expense of 1500 plus rides per year in rural and urban Dakota County effective July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Bousquet-Yes, Reed-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Rodriguez-Yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein and Commissioner Bousquet will set up meeting with Rural Water representatives and give updates on the Likuwanta Drive water line issues at one of the next meetings.

Moved to next meeting as change orders not ready: c. Board to review quotes on change orders for the M Avenue project and make decisions on how to proceed.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, presented the Bi-weekly Road Report for March 2 to March 15, 2025. Total Road Maintenance – 178.75 hours; Overtime hours – 57.5 hours; Tree/Debris removal – 17 hours; Bridge maintenance – 8 hours (Jackson West); Snow removal – 113.5 hours; Garbage pickup – 4 hours; Gravel hauling – 50 hours; 899.86 tons hauled on roads. Road concerns: Grading – Kesley, Ave, K Ave, Golf Rd, Grant Rd, L Ave, Moody Rd, O Ave, 230<sup>th</sup> St, and 260<sup>th</sup> St. Gravel concerns – Kenesaw Rd.

Gubbels advised that the dump truck has died. Hard to find parts and keeps breaking down. She asked other counties what they do for bidding processes, and some use a company called Sourcewell – they have data on all specs for equipment with prices. There is no fee. She will try using this company to see what quotes we get. For budget purposes maybe pay part from this budget and part next budget. The Road department needs a dump truck to get to areas where a belly dump will not fit. Commissioner Bousquet would like quotes for an International, Mac, Peterbuilt, and Kenworth with Cat or Cummins motors with HP500.

Chair Hohenstein informed there were no other applicants for the Road Foreman position. This will be on the next agenda.

Commissioner Committee Reports: Commissioner Bousquet – P&Z meeting: a solar farm is in the works and regulations are being worked on. Commissioner Hohenstein – Joint meeting was well attended and went well.

Mail and/or Emergency Business: Commissioners received copy of Emergency Functional Training opportunity on March 20<sup>th</sup>, a copy of the SSC TIF report and copy of the Loess Hills Newsletter.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Reed, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of March 17, 2025, at 3:26 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

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Martin Hohenstein Chair

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Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Secretary