

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026
SPECIAL MEETING @ 5:30PM
BUDGETS**



- 1) **ROLL CALL:**
 - A. BOT Roll Call: Ferguson, Kramer, Matheny, Miller, Serviss
 - B. Acknowledgment of other Attendees
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance to be led by the Board President

- 2) **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** No action can be taken by the board on any issue related without being first placed on a future agenda, to allow for proper notice. However, **citizens may request items for discussion.**
 1. Reserved time for public comment under this section is **15 minutes**.
 2. Each member of the public is allotted **90 seconds** for comment during this section.
 3. Anyone addressing the Board during this time shall take the podium after being recognized.
 4. A sign up sheet shall be available at the door to allow for priority in speaking.
 5. After these time limits are reached, all further commentary shall be made only with the Chair's approval.

- 3) **CALL FOR CHANGES:**
 - A. Review of current agenda items
 - B. Motion to accept the agenda as presented/amended

- 4) **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION:**
(Roll call voting for any agenda item where a conflict of interested is formally identified)

- 5) **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A.

- 6) **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Approve Sage Water Works Inc. Estimate for interim certified water operator
 - B. Review Proposed 2027 Revenue Budget

- 7) **CLOSING COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**
 1. Reserved time for public comment under this section is **15 minutes**.
 3. Anyone addressing the Board during this time shall take the podium after being recognized.
 4. Each person will be allotted **3 minutes** to speak.
 5. All comments shall be directed toward the chair.
 5. After these time limits are reached, all further commentary shall be made only with the Chair's approval.

- 8) **TRUSTEE INPUT:**

- 9) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
 - A. Motion to enter Executive Session allowable by SDCL 1-25-2 – Legal/Personnel/Contract/Security
 - B. Motion to exit out of Executive Session
 - C. Motions resulting from Executive Session

- 10) **ADJOURN: Motion** by _____; Second by _____ to adjourn the meeting at _____ PM.



Estimate

EST-000196

Sage Water Works, Inc.

5310 Ebony Place
Piedmont South Dakota 57769
sagewaterworks100@gmail.com

Bill To

Town of Hermosa

230 Main Street
P.O. Box 298
Hermosa SD 57744-0298

Estimate Date : August 11, 2026

Expiry Date : September 11, 2026

#	Item & Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1	Monthly Service Agreement: Certified Water Operator- Town of Hermosa Water System	1.00	1,600.00	1,600.00

Attached are the Certified Water Operator Responsibilities covered by the contract along with professional references.

All water testing, water treatment chemicals, minor parts, etc. must be purchased through our company and are not included as a part of the monthly service agreement charge.

Sage Water Works, Inc. can be contracted separately for major water system repairs, minor repairs, system upgrades which exceed the monthly hours allocated for routine water operator duties.

2	Overview- Al Sage, certified operator, has over 30 years experience in electrical controls, plumbing, excavation, etc. and rarely do our water systems have to hire other contractors to service system problems/water line repairs.	1.00	0.00	0.00
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Acceptance of the estimate/hiring of our company will require a contract per the SD DANR for certified water operators.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit an estimate regarding our services!

Sub Total			1,600.00
SD Sales Tax (4.2%)			67.20
City Tax- Hermosa (2%)			32.00
Total			\$1,699.20



NAME OF WATER SYSTEM
Water Association

Certified Operator Responsibilities

Title: Water Treatment & Distribution Operator
Contracted by: Board of Directors
Main Function: Provides maintenance, technical consultation and system support for drinking water system.
Credentials: Class II Water Treatment Operator; Class I Water Distribution Operator

Responsibilities:

1. Maintains efficient system operation by observing proper function of system, including but not limited to: reservoir water levels, pump & master meter(s) operation, fluorination/chlorination/phosphate output, system/pit leaks, pit heaters, pump drives, auto dialers and other equipment requiring or providing monitoring.
2. Records system checks and when appropriate documents corrective actions.
3. Performs on-site inspections at least once per week totaling up to 3 hours per month.
4. Systems with remote monitoring and/or auto-dialers will be monitored by the operator as deemed necessary.
5. Provides 24-hour on-call service 7 days per week for system failure. When available, provides a trained replacement in his absence and notifies Board of Directors/water system owner/designee of departure and return dates.
6. Completes water quality testing as required by the South Dakota Drinking Water Standards, records results and makes necessary modifications to system. (Sampling fees are applicable for any additional sampling resulting from failed samples)
7. Obtains chlorine residual measurements and strives to maintain a chlorine level of at least 0.3 mg/l in all areas of the distribution system. (If applicable) Responsible for quarterly chlorine reporting to South Dakota DANR.

EXHIBIT A continued

8. Obtains fluoride level measurements and strives to maintain a fluoride level in accordance with South Dakota fluoridation rules and regulations. (If applicable)
9. Attends, as requested by agencies, all on-site inspections by the South Dakota Drinking Water Program, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR).
10. Provides a good, safe working environment.
11. Performs minor, ongoing and preventative system maintenance. *
12. Identifies and performs needed minor system repairs within scope of capability. *
13. Performs sediment flushing of water distribution lines and exercises hydrants and main valves on a regular basis. Water Association must provide operator ease of access or this responsibility will default back to Water Association.
14. Provides a monthly status report of drinking water system operations and communicates at membership meetings as requested by Board of Directors/water system owner/designee.
15. Maintains operational, maintenance and administrative records of all drinking water system activities. Water system records will be purged according to standards set forth by the DANR.
16. Answer homeowner's concerns regarding system operation/water quality testing and relays any complaints to Board of Directors/water system owner/designee.
17. Provides consumers with a copy of the Annual Drinking Water Report (public drinking water systems only). Report production & mailing fees are applicable.
18. Provides consumers with a public notice for repeated failed samples or as directed by South Dakota Drinking Water Program (public drinking water systems only). Report production & mailing fees are applicable.
19. Purchases routine supplies/services to include, but not limited to: chemical treatments, chlorine testing materials and water quality analysis reports and submits charges with monthly bill.
20. Analyzes operational data to determine changes and improvements for more efficient operation.
21. Advises Board of Directors of any pending repairs, water quality or system performance issues.
22. Retains valid operator certificate(s).
23. Provides proof of Contractor's Liability Insurance upon request.

*Minor system maintenance/repairs are those, which do not require time beyond the normal on-site inspection as described in Responsibility #3 or equipment rental or repair parts costing over \$1,000. Major repairs are not part of this attachment and may be contracted separately on an as-needed basis.



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5310 Ebony Place
Piedmont, SD 57769
605-391-7483
sagewaterworks100@gmail.com

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Willis Venekamp

Developer/Owner, Bridle Ridge Estates

willisvenekamp@gmail.com

605-391-7366

Services Provided: Certified Water Operator, Meter Reading/Billing, Consultant, Pump House Equipment Install

Contracted Since: 2018

Cotty Hayes,

President, Northdale Sanitary District

605-431-9080

CottyHayes@gmail.com

Services Provided: Certified Water Operator, Waste Water Management Excavation/Repair

Contracted Since: 2024

Betsy dewit

Developer, Cedar Berry Canyon Estates, LLC.

(605)-391-7127

betsydewit@gmail.com

Services Provided: New Water System Planning/DANR Submission, Meter Reading/Billing, Consultant, Certified Water Operator, Excavation/Repair, Pump House Design

Contracted Since: 2021

JR Hamblet

Operations Manager, Frawley Ranch/Elkhorn Ridge Golf Course

jr@golfelkhorn.com

605-391-6970

Services Provided: Certified Water Operator, Meter Reading/Billing, Consultant, Excavation/Repair Water System & Golf Course

Contracted Since: 2019

Mark Howard

Treasurer, Westberry Trails Water Users

howardhillsmns@msn.com

605-545-2937

Services Provided: Certified Water Operator, Excavation/Repair

Contracted Since: 2001

Larry Diebert

Bookkeeper/Board Member, Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.

605-786-2658

rojobert@msn.com

Services Provided: Meter Reading/Billing, Consultant to Certified Operator, Excavation/Repair,

Contracted Since: 2020

Martin Yost

President, Pine Cone Estates HOA

605-212-6808

Martin.r.yost.mil@army.mil

Services Provided: Certified Water Operator, Meter Reading/Billing, Excavation/Repair

Contracted Since: 2004

TOWN OF HERMOSA 2027 PRELIMINARY BUDGET REVENUE WORKSHEET

Account	Description	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2026 Budget 8/6/2026	2027 Proposed	Notes
R 101-10100-31110	PROPERTY TAXES CURRENT YEAR	\$60,000.00	\$69,771.76	\$65,000.00	\$71,324.89	\$75,000.00	\$47,755.66	\$75,000.00	
R 101-10100-31160	PROPERTY TAXES PRIOR YEARS	\$350.00	\$877.11	\$500.00	\$843.50	\$500.00	\$4,087.25	\$1,000.00	
R 101-10100-31170	PROPERTY TAXES MOBILE HOMES	\$2,500.00	\$2,395.76	\$2,500.00	\$1,750.79	\$2,500.00	\$0.00		
R 101-10100-31190	PROPERTY TAXES OTHER	\$245.00	\$0.00		\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-31300	SALES AND USE TAXES	\$283,000.00	\$310,470.73	\$258,000.00	\$338,265.04	\$279,389.00	\$185,810.58	\$305,000.00	
R 101-10100-31900	PENALTY/INTEREST/OTHER TAXES	\$150.00	\$219.15	\$175.00	\$1,255.45	\$150.00	\$1,424.54	\$150.00	
R 101-10100-32000	LICENSES & MISC PERMITS	\$3,750.00	\$5,705.50	\$4,000.00	\$1,711.40	\$3,000.00	\$3,305.00	\$2,500.00	
R 101-10100-32100	BUILDING PERMIT REVENUE	\$1,500.00	\$4,836.50	\$2,000.00	\$1,834.95	\$2,000.00	\$2,679.84	\$2,000.00	
R 101-10100-32130	MISC PERMIT REVENUE	\$800.00	\$4,025.25	\$500.00	\$3,324.00	\$500.00	\$1,790.00	\$1,000.00	
R 101-10100-33100	FEDERAL GRANTS		\$0.00		\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33210	MALT BVRG LICENSE REVENUE	\$900.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$750.00	\$300.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	3 license @ \$300
R 101-10100-33220	ANIMAL LICENSE REVENUE	\$1,200.00	\$1,060.50	\$1,200.00	\$564.00	\$500.00	\$1,110.00	\$1,000.00	
R 101-10100-33400	STATE GRANTS				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33420	WALK AUDIT GRANT				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33430	HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33440	DENR STATE GRANT				\$90.00	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33500	STATE SHARE REVENUE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33510	BANK FRANCHISE TAX	\$250.00	\$167.46	\$250.00	\$152.81	\$200.00	\$140.05	\$100.00	
R 101-10100-33530	LIQUOR TAX REVERSION	\$2,700.00	\$2,612.58	\$2,500.00	\$2,551.21	\$2,500.00	\$1,800.55	\$2,500.00	
R 101-1010-33540	MOTOR VEHICLE COMM PRORATE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33570	LICENSE REVERSION				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33580	LOCAL GOV HWY AND BRIDGE FUND	\$2,100.00	\$2,145.59	\$2,000.00	\$3,399.70	\$2,000.00	\$1,690.12	\$2,000.00	
R 101-10100-33590	OTHER STATE SHARED REVENUE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33800	COUNTY SHARED REVENUE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33810	COUNTY ROAD TAX				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33820	CTY MV LICENSE REVENUE	\$10,800.00	\$14,322.78	\$10,800.00	\$12,771.99	\$12,500.00	\$7,979.51	\$12,500.00	
R 101-10100-33830	COUNTY WHEEL TAX				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-33840	OTHER COUNTY TAX REVENUE	\$1,400.00		\$500.00	\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-35100	COURT FINES AND FORFEITS					\$0.00			
R 101-10100-35900	OTHER FINES AND FORFEITS				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36000	MICELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$4,500.00	\$20,188.46	\$7,265.00	\$4,408.56	\$5,000.00	\$561.88	\$1,000.00	
R 101-10100-36100	INTEREST EARNED REVENUE	\$5,000.00	\$11,329.10	\$5,000.00	\$18,858.70	\$10,000.00	\$10,201.74	\$10,000.00	
R 101-10100-36200	OTHER MISC REVENUE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36220	250 Main St RENTAL REVENUE	\$9,800.00	\$12,580.65	\$10,000.00	\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36230	LIBRARY RENTAL REVENUE				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36240	BASEMENT RENTAL				\$1,002.80	\$2,400.00	\$2,067.60	\$3,000.00	GF&P Lease \$250.70m per month
R 101-10100-36300	SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36310	PRINCIPAL COLLECTED BY COUNTY				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36320	INT AND PENALTY COLLECT COUNTY				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36330	PRINCIPAL COLLECT BY MUNICIPAL				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36340	INT AND PENALTY COLLECT MUNICI				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36400	STREET ASSESSMENTS				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-36700	DONATION INCOME				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-38000	LIQUOR				\$0	\$0.00			
R 101-10100-38080	OPERATING AGREEMENT	\$35,000.00	\$36,687.06	\$35,000.00	\$41,735.51	\$26,000.00	\$9,663.15	\$20,000.00	350*3*12=12600 250*12=3000 187*12=2250 + 5% alcohol purchases

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WATER	Description	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2026 Budget 8/3/2026	2027 Proposed	Notes
R 602-10100-32110	WATER TAP PERMIT REVENUE			\$1,000.00	\$425.00	\$8,000.00	\$375.00	\$1,000.00	
R 602-10100-33100	FEDERAL GRANTS			\$510,000.00	\$10,013.81	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-33400	STATE GRANTS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-33410	RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-33440	DENR STATE GRANT				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-36100	INTEREST EARNED REVENUE		\$8,936.33			\$0.00			
R 602-10100-36210	PENALTY REVENUE	\$5,500.00	\$6,264.29	\$3,000.00	\$4,880.51	\$3,000.00	\$2,809.87	\$3,000.00	
R 602-10100-36300	SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS				\$0.00				
R 602-10100-38100	WATER REVENUE				\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$286.50		credit card adjustment
R 602-10100-38110	WATER OPERATING REVENUE	\$187,000.00	\$189,872.77	\$205,700.00	\$185,255.72	\$211,500.00	\$116,136.22	\$235,000.00	
R 602-10100-38120	WTR DOT 2 SURCHRG REVENUE	\$4,600.00	\$5,193.81	\$4,600.00	\$5,120.27	\$4,600.00	\$3,048.44	\$4,600.00	
R 602-10100-38130	DWSRF LOAN	\$11,000.00	\$12,068.42	\$11,000.00	\$11,979.99	\$11,000.00	\$7,160.86		
R 602-10100-38190	OTHER WATER REVENUE				\$530.00	\$0.00	\$8,579.16	\$2,000.00	bulk water sales
R 602-39000-39000	IINTERFUND TRANSFERS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-39110-39110	OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				\$0.00				
R 602-10100-39111	PRVS YR RETAINED EARNINGS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39121	LONGTERM DEBT ISSUED	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39122	RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39123	STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN	\$0.00		\$83,460.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39130	SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39140	LOSS/DAMAGE CAPITAL ASSETS	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-10100-39150	GAIN ON SALE OF IINVESTMENTS	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 602-39200-39200	RESIDUAL TRANSFERS IN	\$5,759.00							
TOTAL WATER		\$213,859.00	\$222,335.62	\$818,760.00	\$218,205.30	\$238,100.00	\$137,823.05	\$245,600.00	

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SEWER	Description	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2026 Budget 8/3/2026	2027 Proposed	Notes
R 604-10100-32120	SEWER TAP PERMIT REVENUE			\$20,000.00	\$650.00	\$8,000.00	\$600.00	\$1,000.00	
R 604-10100-33100	FEDERAL GRANTS				\$198,817.50	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-33400	STATE GRANTS				\$677,061.50	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-33410	RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-33440	DEHR STATE GRANT				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-36100	INTEREST EARNED REVENUE				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-36300	SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-38300	SEWER REVENUE				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-38310	SEWER OPERATING REVENUE	\$109,000.00	\$115,670.58	\$126,635.00	\$119,536.66	\$149,974.00	\$74,723.36	\$150,000.00	
R 604-10100-38320	SWR DOT 1 SURCHARGE REVENUE	\$4,700.00	\$5,152.26	\$5,600.00	\$5,061.94	\$5,600.00	\$3,016.68	\$5,600.00	
R 604-10100-38321	SW DOT 3 SURCHARGE REVENUE				\$33,895.58	\$45,312.00	\$24,268.56	\$40,000.00	
R 604-10100-38375	SW DOT 4 SURCHARGE REVENUE				\$225.28	\$42,480.00	\$26,448.21	\$40,000.00	
R 604-10100-38350	SRF LOAN					\$350,000.00	\$195,936.00		
R 604-10100-38390	OTHER SEWER REVENUE		\$1,694.60		\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-39000-39000	INTERFUND TRANSFERS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-39110-39110	OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39111	PRVS YR RETAINED EARNINGS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39121	LONGTERM DEBT ISSUED		\$600,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39122	RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39130	SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39140	LOSS/DAMAGE CAPITAL ASSETS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-10100-39150	GAIN ON SALE OF INVESTMENTS				\$0.00	\$0.00			
R 604-39200-39200	RESIDUAL TRANSFERS IN	\$3,187.00			\$0.00	\$0.00			
SEWER		\$116,887.00	\$722,517.44	\$152,235.00	\$1,035,248.46	\$601,366.00	\$324,992.81	\$236,600.00	
		2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2026 Budget 8/3/2026	2027 Proposed	Notes
GENERAL FUND		\$481,865.00	\$557,325.27	\$463,640.00	\$562,792.50	\$480,439.00	\$315,981.59	\$495,650.00	
BBB		\$15,000.00	\$20,199.96	\$15,000.00	\$28,051.01	\$18,000.00	\$13,396.88	\$20,000.00	
FEMA			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$81,811.71	\$250,000.00	
DEBT SERVICE		\$84,903.00	\$135,395.01	\$0.00	\$152,718.62	\$1,864.70	\$1,864.70	\$0.00	
WATER		\$213,859.00	\$222,335.62	\$818,760.00	\$218,205.30	\$238,100.00	\$137,823.05	\$245,600.00	
SEWER		\$116,887.00	\$722,517.44	\$152,235.00	\$1,035,248.46	\$601,366.00	\$324,992.81	\$236,600.00	
		\$912,514.00	\$1,657,773.30	\$1,449,635.00	\$1,997,015.89	\$1,339,769.70	\$875,870.74	\$1,247,850.00	