

HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, JUNE 9th, 2026
REGULAR MEETING @ 5:30 p.m.
Draft Minutes



ROLL CALL: Koontz called the meeting to order on Tuesday, June 9th, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. Roll Call was held with Kramer, Ferguson, Koontz, Serviss and Matheny in attendance. Interested citizens and Town Attorney James were also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Koontz.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to approve the agenda as presented; vote: 3 aye 2 abstain, motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by Koontz and seconded by Kramer to approve the May 19, 2026, regular meeting minutes as presented: vote: 4 aye 1 abstain, motion carried.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION: All board members are responsible for refraining from discussion and voting on issues where they may have a conflict of interest. Koontz noted that there will be roll call voting for any agenda items that may have a conflict of interest.

CLAIMS: Motion by Matheny and seconded by Kramer to approve Payroll for May 30, 2026, and claims for June 9, 2026, vote: all aye, motion carried.

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A&B BUSINESS	MONTHLY PRINTER/FAX FEE	\$588.66
ATAC	North water tank/ Water improvement/ WWTP/ Water & Sewer	\$22,870.00
ATAC	FEMA/BRIC GRANT ENGINEERING	\$28,470.00
BANK WEST CREDIT CARD	FLAGS/NAMEPLATE/SUPPLIES/MANHOLE INSERTS/BUDGET TRAINING	\$2,555.22
BANKWEST	CMS ACH/PAYROLL CHARGES	\$40.00
BLACKHILLS ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC UTILITIES - GENERAL/streets/water/sewer	\$3,550.61
CONIFER CONSTRUCTION	LABELS/BUSHING/SNAPINGS/WIRE/CABLE/WWTP Lids/saftey/internet	\$2,225.74
CONIFER CONSTRUCTION	CLEANING SUPPLIES FOR WWTP (APPROVED 5-19 BOT MEETING)	\$143.00
BRYLEE CAMIRE	OFFICE FLOWERS	\$203.38
GOLDEN WEST	MONTHLY SERVICE FEE MAY 2026	\$633.65
GOLDEN WEST	FIREWALL APPLIANCE/INSTALLATION	\$2,164.00
LAURA EICKHOFF	REIMBURSEMENT FOR BATTERY FOR METER READER	\$9.95
HERMOSA CONNECTS	FLOWERS/PLANTS/PLANTERS`	\$794.58
HEARTLAND ELECTRIC LLC	WWTP INSPECTION	\$500.00
RURAL DEVELOPMENT	RD1/RD2/RD3 LOAN PRINCIPAL/INTEREST - MAY 26	\$1,917.00
SOUTHERNHILLS LAW	ATTORNEY SERVICES GENERAL	\$1,035.00
SHP HODINGS	PUBLISHING/LEGALS NOTICES MAY 2026	\$992.71
TRAFFIC LOGIX	7YR SOFTWARE DIGITAL SPEEDSIGN	\$5,000.00
US BANK	CWSRF LOAN PAYMENT	\$9,251.49
WATERWORTH	ANNUAL WASTEWATER SOFTWARE	\$5,512.50
Accounts Payable Total		\$88,457.49

Payroll related

Total Paid On: 5/30/2026

	Legislative, Financial Administration, Govt Blds	\$4,168.73
	Water	\$517.83
	Sewer	\$253.33
	Promoting City/BBB	\$92.73
SDRS	SDRS	\$979.92
NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INS	\$20.00
HEALTH POOL	SINGLE HEALTH HSA PLAN FO	\$875.96

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HEALTHY EQUITY	HSA	\$67.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$1,205.21
Payroll Total		\$8,180.71
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$96,638.20

OLD BUSINESS: Motion by Koontz and seconded by Matheny to table review of new water and sewer resolutions: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Matheny to table approve no fee for licensing of service/companion pets: fails due to lack of second. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Matheny to approve no fee for licensing of service/companion pets but they must be registered in the town office: vote: 4 nay, 1 abstain, motion fails. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Serviss to table approve no fee for licensing of service/companion pets: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to table review and make recommendation for harassment letter: vote: all aye, motion carried.

ELECTION CANVAS: Miller read the official election canvas. Elizabeth Miller – 109 votes, Donna Ferguson – 100 votes, Kelburn Koontz – 48 votes, Referendum 2026-01 Yes – 107 votes, No – 49 votes. Referendum 2026-05, Yes – 52 votes, No – 103 votes.

ADJOURN: Motion by Matheny and seconded by Serviss to adjourn the meeting with the old board members: vote: all aye, motion carried.

BREAK: The board took a break and reconvened at 6:02.

RECOMMENCEMENT WITH NEW BOARD: Roll call with the following members present: Kramer, Ferguson, Miller, Matheny and Serviss. Trustee Conduct and Obligations were acknowledged and signed by all board members.

Oath of Office was administered to Faye Miller, Town Board Trustee, by Attorney Scott James. Oath of Office was administered to Donna Ferguson, Town Board Trustee, by Attorney Scott James.

2026-2027 APPONTMENTS: Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Miller to nominate Serviss as Board President: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to nominate Miller as Board Vice President: vote: all aye, motion carried. President Serviss presided over the rest of the meeting. Serviss adjusted the seating and moved the Finance Officer to his right and Town Attorney to his left.

ASSIGNMENTS OF SUBCOMMITTES: Motion by Miller and seconded by Serviss to nominate Kramer as Chair for Water Committee: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Serviss to nominate Matheny as Vice Chair for Water Committee: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Matheny to nominate Miller as Chair for Streets Committee and Serviss as Vice Chair for Streets Committee: vote: all aye, motion carried. Kramer states Finance Committee is always Board President as Chair and Vice President as Vice Chair. Motion by Serviss and seconded by Miller to nominate Ferguson as Chair of Law Enforcement Committee: vote: 4 aye, 1 abstain, motion carried. Serviss nominated Matheny as Chair of Sewer Committee. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Miller to nominate Serviss as Vice Chair of Sewer Committee and Kramer as Vice Chair of Law Enforcement Committee: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Miller to nominate Serviss as Media Spokes Person: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Matheny to nominate Ferguson and Miller for Abatement Committee: vote: all aye, motion carried.

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Oath of Office was administered to Terri Cornelison, Town Finance Officer, by Attorney Scott James. Oath of Office was administered to Scott James, Town Attorney, by Board President Aaron Serviss.

Motion by Serviss and seconded by Kramer to table Elmer Claycomb, Floodplain Administrator, Oath of Office due to absence: vote: all aye, motion carried Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to table Anthony Theodorou, Town Engineer, Oath of Office due to absence: vote: all aye, motion carried Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to table Neil Putnam, Town Planner, Oath of Office due to absence: vote: all aye, motion carried

TOWN/FEMA UPDATES: No updates were given, will be some at next meeting. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Ferguson to approve Resolution 08-2026 Appointment of Applicant Agent for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to be signed by the head of the Finance Committee and Finance Officer: vote: all aye, motion carried.

LEGAL: Motion by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to approve attorney to review J. Styles email about FEMA/BRIC Grant and identify respected peer review professionals: vote: 3 aye, 2 abstain, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Miller to approve Wade Schultz to file short Answer and Disclaimer of Interest for Court Case 16CIV25-76: vote: 3 aye, 2 abstain, motion carried.

ENGINEER: Motion by Kramer and second by Miller to table discuss having background checks for contractors until further meeting: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and second by Matheny to approve pay application #3 for Quinn Construction for \$265,846.79: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Matheny and second by Ferguson to table approve change order for Quinn Construction for \$1,600: vote: all aye, motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING: Motion by Kramer and seconded by Matheny to dismiss Digging/Grading Permit for parcel #009263 – K. Koontz; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Ferguson to approve Commercial Building Permit for parcel #015193 – T. Roccaro: Motion by Kramer and second by Matheny to amend original motion contingent on receipt of digging/grading permit: vote: all aye, amendment carried, vote on original: all aye, motion carried. The board discussed plats in Pennington County, they are grateful they provided information to them for review.

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT: John Burckhard gave water and sewer updates. Burckhard states the well is maintaining but not filling. Burckhard is also working with Action Mechanical to get some costs for meter issues. Burckhard the Wastewater Plant is running, Serviss request the cameraing of all the sewer lines be put into Silversmith. Burckhard discusses two emergency sewer line repairs done by Action Mechanical for around \$5,158.93. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Matheny to approve Action Mechanical to repair 430 and 280 Manning sewer line at quoted around \$5,158.93: vote: 4 aye, 1 abstain, motion carried. Motion by Matheny and second by Miller to table discussion of new areas to get bulk water from: vote: 4 aye, 1 abstain, motion carried. Motion by Serviss and second by Matheny to table identifiable vest and vehicle signage for operators and workers: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Ferguson to table approve final pay app for Conifer Construction No. 6 of \$14,921.20 until review of final inspection: vote: all aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT: Motion made by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to table quotes from Dakota Asphalt for McDermid, Hwy 79, and South Corner Pantry and school streetlight pending Public Forum for streets : vote: all aye, motion carried.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Motion by Matheny and seconded by Kramer to approve Custer County Sheriff Office to deliver animal complaint letter: vote: 3 aye, 1 nay, 1 abstain, motion carried. The board discussed having Abatement Committee talk with Aniaml Control Battle Mountain.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Serviss discussed the Rock show happening June 12th, 13th, 14th.

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly Financials will be at next meeting. Cornelison will be at finance officer school the rest of the week. The finance officer and administrative assistant have budget training on Wednesday June 17th.

NEW BUSINESS: Serviss states he wants to direct Town Attorney to use best judgment and good faith to review the agenda and determine whether he believes his participation in the meeting is necessary. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Matheny to approve meeting agenda format for the next two meetings to test it out: vote: all aye, motion carried.

ITEMS FROM CONSTITUENTS: Kathy Styles thanks everyone for a good meeting and looking forward to positive changes. Jerry Styles thanks everyone for the good meeting and shares congratulations to Donna and Faye, he appreciates the handling of the planning and zoning decisions.

TRUSTEE INPUT: Ferguson likes how the meeting was handled. Matheny likes the new agenda format, would like to discuss the town logo at the next meeting, wants to turn on the transcripts on the YouTube videos, talks about the licensing camera being used for good. Serviss thanks everyone for bearing with him, discusses the election. Miller thanks the town for the support during the election and is thankful for the opportunity. Kramer thanks everyone for the information, thanks Miller for being on the board, asks Serviss about format of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Miller and seconded by Matheny to enter executive session for personnel at 8:58pm: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and second by Matheny to exit executive session at 9:31pm: vote: all aye, motion carried. No motions resulting from executive. Motion by Miller and seconded by Kramer to enter executive session for contracts at 9:32pm: vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and second by Ferguson to exit executive session at 10:00pm: vote: all aye, motion carried. No motions resulting from executive.

ADJOURN: Motion made by Kramer and seconded by Miller to adjourn meeting at 10:01 p.m., vote: all aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Brylee Camire
Administrative Assistant

Aaron Serviss
Town Board President

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