

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026
SPECIAL MEETING @ 6:00pm**

ROLL CALL: Serviss called the meeting to order on Monday, June 29, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ferguson, Kramer, Matheny, Miller, and Serviss. Interested citizens were also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Serviss.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Jerry Styles thanked the board for giving the public the opportunity to speak.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Kramer to add Item 6B Water leak & permit, Item 6C Bulk water backflow prevention meter, Item 6D Town property mowing debrief, Item 6E ATV use on Tower Hill, Item 6F Prairie dogs on Tower Hill and approve agenda as amended; vote: all aye, 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. There will be roll call voting for any agenda items that may have a conflict of interest.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion by Matheny and seconded by Kramer to continue with ATAC for work and payments on FEMA BRIC Grant and wait until Town Attorney gives updates; vote: two aye and three nays, motion failed. Motion by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to suspend FEMA BRIC Grant work and payments pending outcome of investigations. Motion amended by Matheny and seconded by Miller to include investigation from Town Attorney and South Dakota Office of Emergency Management. Vote on amendment: three aye and two abstain, motion carried. Vote on original motion: three aye and two nays, motion carried.

BREAK: The board took a short break and reconvened at 7:12 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED: Discussion held on the water leak from the water tank on Tower Hill and the need to fill out a General Surface Water Discharge Permit due to the leaking of chlorinated water. Discussion held on getting sandbags to divert the leaking water.

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED: Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to take emergency action for leaking at water tank on Tower Hill and set a maximum budget of \$2,000.00 for purchase of sandbags; vote: all aye, motion carried. The board discussed the need to search town inventory to see if it includes a backflow preventor meter. This item will be put on the next regular meeting agenda. The town property had been mowed by Buzz's Lawn Care and some areas were missed. The board will compile a list of all town property that needs to be mowed and discuss at the next regular meeting. Discussion held on dirt bikes being rode on Tower Hill. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to purchase 3 signs that read "No motorized vehicles beyond this report" to be posted in the Tower Hill area; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Serviss and seconded by Ferguson to authorize abatement committee to utilize prairie dog mitigation services as needed; vote: all aye, motion carried.

CLOSING COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Margie Jurens questioned Kramer about the missing ordinance book. Joan Harris stated she has all ordinances on a flash drive and could make a copy for Margie.

TRUSTEE INPUT: Ferguson stated it was a long meeting, but productive. Matheny asked about the need for Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Matheny and seconded by Miller to enter Executive Session allowable by SDCL 1-25-2.1 – Personnel at 8:15 p.m.; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Kramer and seconded by Ferguson to exit Executive Session at 8:37 p.m.; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to enter Executive Session allowable by SDCL 1-25-2.6 – Security at 8:38 p.m. Motion by Matheny and seconded by Kramer to exit Executive Session at 8:54 p.m. Motion by Miller and seconded by Ferguson to assign authority of all keys, codes and passwords related to town security to the Finance Officer and requiring all unaccounted for access be turned over within forty-eight hours; vote: three aye and two nays, motion carried.

ADJOURN: Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Matheny to adjourn the meeting at 8:57p.m.; vote: all aye, motion carried.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terri Cornelison".

Terri Cornelison
Finance Officer

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aaron Serviss".

Aaron Serviss
Town Board President

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