

County commissioners discuss mosquito control, franchise for gas lines, approve conditional use permit

CLARK COUNTY
COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 7, 2026
APPROVED

The Clark County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 7, 2026 in the Commissioner Room of the Clark County Courthouse. Chairman Gjerde called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present at the Courthouse: Chris Sass, Francis Hass, David Spieker, Terry Schlagel. Chairman Sara Gjerde present via zoom. Also present Auditor Tarbox. Chairman Gjerde requested Vice Chairman Schlagel chair the meeting.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: Commissioner Spieker questioned if the County had a policy regarding a dumping tile outlet. County does not, and it was suggested concerned parties contact the NRCS.

AGENDA: Motion by Sass, second by Hass to approve the April 7, 2026 agenda. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Spieker, second by Sass to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2026 meeting. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

WEED: Weed Supervisor (WS) Jenkins and Sheriff Heaton met with the board regarding concerns of fogging of mosquitoes within Vienna city limits. There have been issues with resident that has requested that their property not be sprayed. The board decided that the Town of Vienna would need to deal with the resident and let the County Weed Department know if they wanted to utilize services offered by the County for mosquito control.

RESOLUTION 11-26: Robert Gehm with Northwestern Energy met with the board requesting an updated franchise for gas lines within Clark county. The board had concerns about the paragraphs regarding indemnification and restoration. Former Resolution will be located and compared prior to approval.

HEARING: Motion by Gjerde, second by Sass to set Hearing for Temporary Malt Beverage and Temporary Liquor license for Clark County Riders for May 28, 2026 to May 31, 2026. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

APPEALS: Director of Equalization (DOE) Reidburn met with the board with an update of appeals that have been filed and will be discussed at meeting April 14, 2026, according to SDCL 10-3-14-Annual Conference of Director of Equalization.

HIGHWAY: Motion by Hass, second by Spieker to approve and allow Board to sign Agreement between Astech and Clark County for Microsurfacing project for 2026. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

AIRPORT: Motion by Sass, second by Spieker to approve and allow Board to sign Construction Plans for Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) for Clark County Airport. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

CROSSING: Motion by Hass, second by Sass to approve Crossing permit requested by Roy and Sara Gjerde. This request will allow for water line to be placed at 216 Clark Avenue, Vienna, S.D. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, and Schlagel. Abstain: Gjerde. Motion carried.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT: Motion by Spieker, second by Sass to recess as the County Commission and convene as the Board of Adjustment. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde, Schlagel. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Schlagel called the Clark County Board of Adjustment meeting to order and stated that the board is meeting via teleconference and Luke Muller will be serving as staff and parliamentarian support.

The next item on the agenda is items to be added to the Agenda by the Board members or staff. Luke Muller informed the board he will discuss planning meeting items at the end of

Board of Adjustment. The board proceeded.

Next was an invitation for citizens to schedule time on the Board of Adjustment agenda for an item not listed under the Board of Adjustment portion. There were none, and the meeting continued.

Vice Chairman Schlagel asked if any board members had any Ex parte Communications or potential conflicts of interest that the rest of the Board or public may want to be aware of. There were none, and the Board proceeded.

AGENDA: Motion by Spieker, second by Hass to approve the Board of Adjustment Agenda. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

Next item on the agenda was request by Lincoln Reidburn for a conditional use permit to expand and operate a Commercial Greenhouse. Motion by Hass, second by Spieker to approve the conditional use. Also present Lincoln Reidburn and Jarvis Reidburn. Luke gave report regarding the Conditional Use for Lincoln Reidburn. He informed the board that a greenhouse will be set up on the West 260 feet of Lot A in Section 12, Township 116 North, Range 58, West of the 5th P.M. (Lincoln Township), Clark County, South Dakota. The applicant is seeking to operate a commercial greenhouse on the property from April through July with the option to reopen next year. There will be no permanent structures with this permit. Luke also discussed comprehensive land use plan regarding the request. Vice Chairman Schlagel opened the public hearing on the application. Lincoln spoke on his own behalf regarding the request. Vice Chairman Schlagel then opened the public hearing for further public testimony. There was none, and the public hearing was closed. The Board discussed time frame of removing items from the site. Motion by Sass, second by Spieker to amend the condition of this permit and make it non-transferable and all non-permanent struc-

tures be removed by August 15. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Luke asked the questions for the findings of fact relating to the conditional use permit. Luke restated the motion: The motion is to approve the Conditional Use permit to operate a commercial greenhouse subject to the additional conditions as stated above. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

Luke informed the Board at the next meeting he will be discussing updating set backs in ag district and other changes. It will only be a planning meeting.

ADJOURN: Motion by Spieker, second by Hass to adjourn the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as the County Commission. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Motion by Spieker, second by Sass to approve the following claims and allow Auditor to issue payment. Voting aye: Sass, Hass, Spieker, Gjerde and Schlagel. Motion carried. **COMMISSIONERS:** Clark County Courier, proceedings, 501.57; **ELECTIONS:** McLeods, combined absentee ballot set, 487.56; **JUDICIAL SYSTEM:** All Nations Interpreters, interpreting services 103.50; **AUDITOR:** Office Peeps, paper, 64.57; Two Trees Technologies, off site backup/managed care services, 782.40; **STATES ATTORNEY:** South Dakota State's Atty Assn, 2026 membership dues, 811.31; **COURT SYSTEM:** Austin Strait, Benson, & Thole, crt appt atty, 1,200.57; Green, Roby, Oviatt, Cummings, crt appt atty, 1,028.20; **PUBLIC BUILDINGS:** Clark American Legion, American Flag, 30.00; Clark Ace Hardware, supplies, 220.27; Cole Paper, supplies, 200.58; Culligan, water, 135.75; Star Laundry, rugs, 74.36; **DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION:** Clark Ace Hardware, calculator, 9.99; Clark County Courier, tax exempt property, 214.82; Office Peeps, renewal of office, 220.00; **SDAAO, 2026 registration, 300.00; REGISTER OF DEEDS:** Great America Financial Services, copy machine

rent, 97.39; U.S. Postmaster, postage, 337.00; **PREDATORY ANIMAL:** Day Township, pocket gopher bounty, 362.00; **SHERIFF:** A&B Business, contract base charge, 53.78; **AT&T Mobility, service, 261.62; Clark Ace, supplies, 109.89; MOCIC, membership 2026, 100.00; Office Peeps, stamp, 22.65; S.D. Secretary of State, notary application, 30.00; U.S. Bank Voyager Fleet Systems, fuel, 50.45; AIRPORT:** Clark County Courier, AWOS notice to bidders, 136.83; Clark Rural Water, water, 35.00; Helms and Associates, airport fuel system & AWOS, 1,863.37; **AMBULANCE:** 212 Truck & Trailer, air charge hose, 1,179.92; **AT&T Mobility, service, 173.63; John Birnell, registration fee, 25.00; Clark Ace Hardware, supplies, 37.57; Lewis Family Drug, supplies, 21.18; McKesson Medical, Surgical, supplies 197.02; Reemployment Assistance Division, unemployment first qtr, 170.50; U.S. Bank Voyager, fuel, 105.62; WW Tire Service, flat repair, 112.83; **MENTAL ILLNESS:** Dept. of Revenue, involuntary services, 611.63; **EXTENSION:** Great America Financial Services, copy machine rent, 182.91; Star Laundry, rugs 50.44; **WEED:** 212 Truck & Trailer Repairs, repair truck, 215.25; Auto Value Clark, supplies 35.97; Clark Ace Hardware, supplies 61.74; Clark County Courier, annual wees mtg/ control weeds ad, 162.23; **NASASP, membership dues 115.00; Nutrien Solutions Division, Tordon 22K Herbicide, 10,206.00; Reemployment Assistance Division, unemployment first qtr, 255.75. PLANNING & ZONING:** Clark County Courier, Conditional Use ad, 27.61; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** AFLAC Dental, cobra coverage, 70.80; Auto Value, Clark, filters/supplies, 2,488.88; Bierschbach Equipment, parts, 873.79; Clark Ace Hardware, supplies, 463.02; Clark County Courier, help wanted ads, 224.60; Dakota Electronics, radio repair, 137.50; Diesel Machinery, filters/parts 932.52; Eastside Implement, two rental tractors, 19,999.98; Equipment Blades, cutting edges;, 6,240.00; Kingsbury County**

Treasurer, meeting, 14.00; Matheson Tri-Gas, welding supplies 279.27; Northwestern Energy, utilities, 418.54; Optilegra, cobra premium 3.36; Oscar's Machine Shop, parts 556.29; Overhead Door, door repair 329.08; Reemployment Assistance Division. first qtr unemployment, 426.25; Sioux Rural Water, water, 59.50; Star Laundry, laundry, 125.22; The Lodge at Deadwood, lodging, 315.00; Transwest Sioux Falls, parts, 396.98; WW Tire, repair 104.00; **CIVIL DEFENSE:** AT&T Mobility, service 46.52; **REGISTER OF DEEDS:** Microfilm Imaging Systems, software/scanner rent, 314.25; M&P Relief Flow Thru-SDACO, \$2.00 fee, 158.00. **TOTAL:** 59,570.58.

PAYROLL: **COMMISSIONERS:** 9,199.43; **AUDITOR:** 4,542.85; **TREASURER** 5,896.92; **STATES ATTORNEY:** 4,297.34; **COURTHOUSE:** 2,258.57; **DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION:** 5,324.33; **REGISTER OF DEEDS:** 4,320.04; **VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE:** 442.70; **SHERIFF:** 9,486.26; **CORONER:** 219.66; **POOR:** 551.85; **AMBULANCE:** 16,911.06; **WEED:** 2,968.74; **PLANNING & ZONING:** 401.59; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** 44,247.35; **EMERGENCY & DISASTER:** 1,529.99; **TOTAL:** 112,598.68.

ADJOURN: Motion by Schlagel, second by Gjerde to adjourn at 10:01 a.m. Next regular meeting Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

Sara Gjerde, Chairman
Clark County
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

Christine Tarbox,
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