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**July 1, 2026
Regular Meeting
Slope County Commission**

The meeting was called to order at 9 A.M. by Chairman Ouradnik with Commissioners Teske and Sonsalla present.

Commissioner Sonsalla presented a motion to approve the minutes of the June meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Teske and passed with all in favor.

Elise Ruggles, Slope County Extension Agent, met with the commissioners to give an update on happenings in the

extension office.

Kirby Baier, Slope County Superintendent of Schools, met with the commissioners to give an update on Marmarth School. The state has made changes to the criteria for schools on the 4 day week. They are short of a special education teacher so accepted interviews from the Philippines. They have had an interview with a teacher they would like to hire and are now in the process of figuring out the paperwork. They are now officially switched from Power Schools to Infinite Campus.

Colleen Germann, Slope County Treasurer, presented the PILT and Bankhead Jones payments to the commissioners. Commissioner Sonsalla presented a motion to put the PILT monies into the General Fund. The mo-

tion was seconded by Commissioner Teske and passed with all in favor.

A question was raised on what will happen to the plants when the concrete is installed around the building. They will be given away on a first come, first served basis.

Nathan Miller, Slope County Road Foreman, met with the commissioners with some questions on budget item planning for 2027 especially concerning the leased blade and a trade-in of the blade that Kyle Frank runs as well as the possibility of trading in 1 mower. Chloride application will begin next week.

Representatives of Sunrise Youth Bureau, Holly Praus & Amber Haustead, met with the commissioners to ask for support in 2027. The youth bureau works with the juvenile court to divert youth from problem behavior and provides attendant and shelter care. They were at Marmarth School 5 times in the last year to present educational programs at an approximate cost of \$1463.75 for time and travel. They would appreciate any amount that the county can give.

Pam Hestekin, Bowman Area Ambulance, met with the commissioners to present the 2027 budget and mill levy request. Due to the loss of the F Chip program they will be taking a loss on Medicare services with an estimated \$225,000 loss for 2027. They are asking for \$30,000 or their maximum levy.

A motion was presented by Commissioner Teske, seconded by Commissioner Sonsalla and passed with all in favor to approve the following vouchers subject to all withholding taxes: 8240.18 Adams County; 8200.00 Baker

Metal & Recycling; 88.90 Bowman Ace Hardware; 252.68 Bowman Auto Parts Co; 9168.77 Bowman County; 322.20 Charlotte Schaar; 198.00 Clubhouse Hotel & Suites - Fargo; 329.45 Connie Heinrich; 110.00 Dakotas Best Gourmet Coffee LLC; 317.86 Deborah Howie; 7747.75 Dickinson Public Library; 71.70 Double EE Service, Inc; 7389.00 Farmers Union Service Association; 62.55 Geraldine Andersen; 322.20 Jennifer Hanson; 339.00 Joan Lorge; 1892.16 John Deere Financial; 313.50 LaVonne Wegner; 372.95 Linda Clark; 726.50 Little Missouri Ranch Supply; 338.15 Lynelle Jacobson; 280.16 Lynn Homelvig; 270.00 Marguerite Schatz; 310.00 Marjean Schulz; 364.25 Michelle Petri; 349.75 Molly Lyson; 313.50 Nancy Gussey; 415.00 ND PHIT; 135.00 New Vision Security LLC; 1353.91 Northwest Tire Inc; 20351.50 Nutrien Ag Solutions; 4000.00 Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council; 42.98 Rory Teigen; 105.23 Shannon Johnson; 472.40 Shannon Minerich; 1098.73 Slope Electric Coop. Inc.; 1987.62 Southwest Water Authority; 116.20 The Badlands Patriot LLC; 3961.83 United Built Equipment; 1899.67 US Records Midwest LLC; 263620.51 Payroll
Commissioner Teske presented a motion to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Interior Department to be a cooperating agency. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sonsalla and passed with all in favor. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 A.M.
Scott Ouradnik, Chairman
Lorrie Buzalsky, Auditor