

October 2, 2024

The Board of Trustees, of the Town of Hayti, South Dakota, met on Wednesday Oct. 2, 6:30 p.m. at the City Office. Members present were Debra Goebel, Jeremy Struckman, Matt Miller, Dylan Reuer and City Attorney Todd Wilkinson. Absent: Greg Biederstedt

Others attending: Zane Kornmann, Karla Forcier, Keith Palo, Jed Kulla, Billie Jo Hurley, John Hurley, Chris Geiger, Peggy Geiger, Jeremiah & Siobhan Gramberg, and Jenna Aderhold.

Chairwoman Debra Goebel called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The open meeting to discuss the sidewalk improvement requirements was open to comment.

After much discussion about, "do we even have a need for sidewalks", and how it's not right that some people who do not have sidewalks don't have to put in sidewalks, it was asked if the sidewalk could just be torn out. Attorney Todd Wilkinson reiterated that that would not be allowed.

The city has put a hold on enforcing repairs/replacement until after the drainage study has been done. Improvements can also be delayed into 2026, but the necessary repairs/replacement will need to be done.

Wilkinson said, along with the homeowner, the town could be held liable for any accidents that happen on a sidewalk if the city does not take action to keep the sidewalks safe.

It was asked what would happen if the sidewalk was not done; Wilkinson said there could be a fine of up to \$500, as often as daily. City council hopes it does not come to that, but the fine schedule would be set when the time comes. The city could also do the improvements and assess it to the home owner.

There being no further business, motion by Reuer; seconded by Struckman to adjourn. All voted in favor, the meeting adjourned.

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Debra Goebel, Chairwoman

Carol Reuer, Finance Officer