

August 11, 2025

The Board of Trustees, of the Town of Hayti, South Dakota, met on Mon., Aug. 11, 6:30 p.m. at the City Office. Members present were Debra Goebel, Jeremy Struckman, Dylan Reuer.

Absent: Jeremiah Gramberg, Cody Swenson.

Others attending: Mitch Mergen, Jim Jones, Nancy Burton, Nathan Lakness, Donna Jensen, Denny Jensen, Wayne Thue, Tucker Frederick, and Monica Everson.

Chairwoman Debra Goebel called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comment:

Struckman made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Reuer.

Minutes of the previous meeting of July 14, 2025 were read. Reuer made a motion to approve the minutes, Struckman seconded. All voted in favor, the motion passed.

Motion by Struckman, seconded by Reuer, to approve the monthly financial report; all voted in favor, the motion carried.

Balance on hand in each fund as of July 31, 2025 are: General Fund, \$262,848.99; General Fund assigned to Street Improvement, \$71,765.24; Water Fund, \$121,207.02; Water Deposit Fund, \$1,700.00; Sewer Fund, \$107,762.34; Total of all funds: \$563,583.59.

Motion by Struckman, seconded by Reuer to approve the following bills;

Crouch Recreation, supplies, 818.50; OtterTail, utilities, 2,013.35; Corwin Namken, wages, 2,283.74; SDRS, retirement, 990.90; IRS, withholdings, 2,485.28; Avid Hawk LLC, prof. fee, 45.00; Delta Dental, insurance, 366.60; AT&T, utilities, 98.38; HCFC, utilities, 1,130.41; ; Corwin Namken, wages, 1,825.81; Carol Reuer, wages & utilities, 2,946.38; Sue Binde, wages, 63.34; Debra Goebel, wages, 432.19; Wayne Palo, service, 144.00; Taylin Hartman, wages, 204.32; Hamlin Co. Publishing, publishing, 80.54; Menards, supplies, 76.31; Hamlin Building Center, supplies, 116.98; Mac's, supplies, 60.17; Bass Sanitation Inc., utilities, 5,696.25; ITC, utilities, 369.10; NorthWestern Energy, utilities, 46.11; Reliabank, principle & interest, 1,000.00; Reliabank, principal & interest, 6,000.00; SD Dept. of Health, prof. fee, 30.00; Dakota Pump Inc., maintenance, 575.95; Sioux Rural Water, utilities, 10,410.15; H-D Electric, utilities, 41.80; OtterTail, utilities, 1,871.11; HCFC, supplies, 753.17;

Police Report:

Corwin's Report: The pavement on Main Street that was removed because of a water leak will be repaved next year; we will let it settle in over the winter. Sewer lifts were having some small issues, they have been fixed. The water tower insulation project is on the schedule with Maguire, it will be done this fall. Prairie Ag will spray the dump and the lagoon for weeds.

Mitch Mergen presented the drainage study analysis; the town was separated into 5 basins. Further discussion will need to be held regarding ways to alleviate drainage issues. Mitch mentioned without curb and gutter it is difficult to control the flow of water; if the town does install curb and gutter with a drainage system, the project should be started at the lowest spot and work into town. The maps are available at the city office for viewing.

An organization has given a verbal commitment to rent the office space next to the Post Office. Upon approval and signing of the lease, the lessee will be announced.

Members of the Historical Society were in attendance, to voice their displeasure of not having the opportunity to rent the office space before the cost of renovations made it more expensive. They would like current residents of Hayti to appreciate and value all the artifacts and historical items in the building, this is the history of Hayti. Because the building, that currently houses the historical items, is in need of major repairs, members are looking for options to either have a new building or find other ways to fund fixing it. Reuer told them that if they have a plan on repairs, they can come to the town council and ask for funding so it can be budgeted. Historical members asked if the town would pay the utility bill, it is around \$35 a month. Reuer made a motion to have the town pay the utility bill, seconded by Struckman. All voted in favor, motion passed.

A couple of Economic Development members spoke on the need to have the town board members and the ED members working together. They would like a council member come to their monthly meetings to have open communication and a partnership. It was agreed that a council member will attend the ED meetings. If anyone in Hayti would like to be a part of the Economic Development, helping to contribute to the growth of Hayti, the next meeting is Aug. 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

The gym was part of the ED discussion. There have been a few interested parties in possibly buying the property. ED members agreed to take on the building, it would be deeded to the Economic Development and they would handle the details.

1st reading Ordinance #335 2026 Appropriation was held.

1st reading Ordinance #336 Amend Ordinance 256 - An Ordinance to set the number of On and Off sale Liquor Licenses was held.

Reuer made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with Bass Sanitation, Struckman seconded the motion. All voted in favor, motion passed.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday, September 10, 2025; 6:30 p.m. at the City Finance Office.

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

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Debra Goebel, Chairwoman

Carol Reuer, Finance Officer