

# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE RAILROAD AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. CDT

Becker-Hansen Building/ Commission Room – 700 E. Broadway Ave, Pierre SD

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeff Burket, Chairman  
Jerry Cope, Vice-chairman  
Steve Scharnweber, Secretary

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**VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Jon Kirby

**DOT STAFF PRESENT:** Joel Jundt, Karla Engle, Kellie Beck, Misty Siedschlaw, Perry Griffith, Katlyn Wieme, and Kari Kroll

Chairman Jeff Burket called the meeting of the South Dakota State Railroad Authority (the “Authority”) to order at 12:30 p.m. CDT. A roll call was taken, and a quorum was determined.

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Burket opened the floor to the Authority members to disclose potential conflicts of interest and to present requests for waiver pursuant to the South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) chapters 3 – 23.

No conflicts of interest were disclosed, and no waivers were requested.

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Burket asked for a motion to approve the November 16, 2022 Authority meeting minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Scharnweber and seconded by Cope to approve the November 16, 2022 Authority meeting minutes. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Kellie Beck, Director of Finance & Management Division, presented for Authority consideration a request by Lake Andes Farmers Cooperative Company. to remove rail and grade on the state-owned line.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Cope and seconded by Scharnweber to authorize issuance of a lease and permits to allow track removal, a crossing and occupancy of the land by Lake Andes Farmers Cooperative Company. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Burket opened the floor to public input.

No one from the public addressed the Authority or offered input.

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With no other business to come before the Authority, Burket adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

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