

SOUTH DAKOTA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Friday, May 15, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. CT

Becker-Hansen Building/Commission Room - 700 East Broadway Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota

COMMISSIONER PRESENT: Rick Vallery

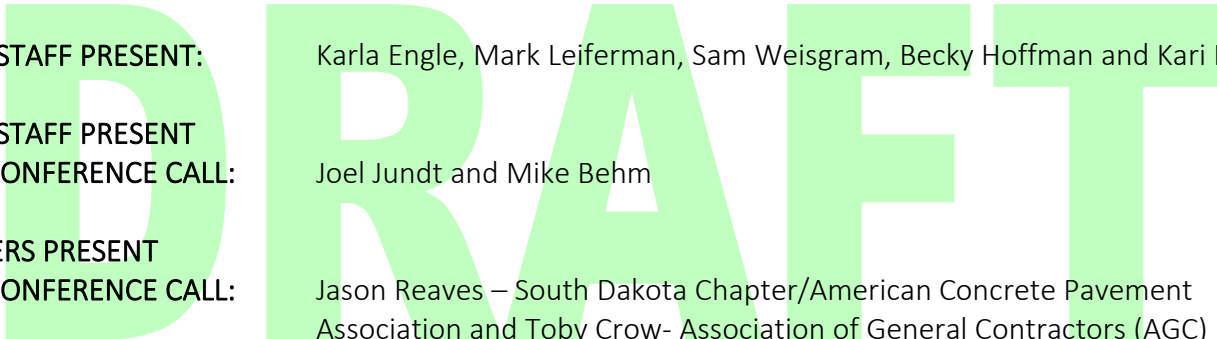
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Austin Simons, Chairman
Chris Frick, Vice-chairman
Lynn Jensen
Jaf Karim
Larry Nelson
Don Roby
Ron Rosenboom
Mike Vehle

DOT STAFF PRESENT: Karla Engle, Mark Leiferman, Sam Weisgram, Becky Hoffman and Kari Kroll

**DOT STAFF PRESENT
VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Joel Jundt and Mike Behm

**OTHERS PRESENT
VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Jason Reaves – South Dakota Chapter/American Concrete Pavement Association and Toby Crow- Association of General Contractors (AGC)



Chairman Austin Simons called the meeting of the South Dakota Transportation Commission (the “Commission”) to order at 9:00 a.m. CT. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

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

No members of the Commission disclosed a conflict or requested a waiver.

Simons asked for a motion to approve the April 23, 2026 Commission meeting minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Vehle and seconded by Roby to approve the April 23, 2026 Commission meeting minutes. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Simons opened the floor to public input.

No members of the public addressed the Commission or offered input.

Sam Weisgram, Office of Project Development, presented to the Commission the following bid letting results:

May 6, 2026

Modify Intersection & Lighting

1	08LL PH 0014(257)10 TRU-FORM CONSTRUCTION, INC. US14 EL & WL - Jct of Old US14 in Spearfish	Lawrence County \$1,308,932.10
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Centerline Rumble Stripes

2	09UT PH 0020(245) Aurora, Bon Homme, Brookings, Brule, Buffalo, Charles Mix, Clay, Douglas, Gregory, Hutchinson, Jerauld, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, Sanborn, Turner, Union County Surface Preparation Technologies, LLC Mitchell Region	\$911,138.40
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Cold Milling, Asphalt Concrete Resurfacing, Pipe Work and Intersection Improvements

3	067V, 06D1, 06D8 NH-PT 0018(222)311, NH 0281(122)0, P 0043(26)0 SPENCER QUARRIES INCORPORATED US18 - Fm W of SD43 to US281; US281 - Fm the NE State Line to the Jct with US18; SD43 - Fm the NE State Line to the Jct with US18	Gregory County \$13,487,504.59
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LSDC Overlay, Approach Rail, Approach Surfacing, Bridge Rail, Curb Repair, End Blocks

4	08K8 NH 0281(129)79 BX CIVIL & CONSTRUCTION, INC. US281 - 8.5 N of I90 over W Br Firesteel Ck	Aurora County \$538,373.10
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Pavement Restoration, CRC & NRC Concrete Repairs, Spall Repair, Sealing, Stitching, Tie Bar Retrofit

5	09X5 IM-P 0022(103) BX CIVIL & CONSTRUCTION, INC. Various Locations in the Sioux Falls Area	Lincoln, Minnehaha County \$2,390,000.00
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Asphalt Surface Treatment

6	09WN NH-P 0013(173) BITUMINOUS PAVING, INC. Various Locations in the Huron Area	Beadle, Buffalo, Clark, Hand, Hyde, Spink County \$4,547,617.84
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Asphalt Surface Treatment

7 09WX NH-P 0023(73) Clay, Hutchinson, Yankton County
The Road Guy Construction Company Inc \$2,356,225.85
Various Locations in the Yankton Area

Rout & Seal

10 09WJ P 0033(48) Mellette County
Highway Improvement, Inc \$71,607.80
Various Locations in the Winner Area

Crack Leveling

11 09X1 NH-P 0012(329) Brookings County
Journey Group Companies \$249,130.45
Various Locations in the Watertown Area

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Roby and seconded by Jensen to approve bids #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, and 11. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.



Asphalt Surface Treatment

8 09WW NH 0033(49) Tripp County
BITUMINOUS PAVING, INC. \$231,499.90
US 18 from Winner to 1 mile east of Colome

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Frick and seconded by Vallery to approve bid #8. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Rout & Seal

9 09WH NH-P 0012(328) Brookings, Clark, Codington, Hamlin, Kingsbury County
Z AND Z SEAL COATING INC \$288,272.03
Various Locations in the Watertown Area

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Vehle and seconded by Rosenboom to approve bid #9. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Mowing & Weed Spraying

1 00SW(00)7, 8, 9 & 000I, P, N-271 Turner County
Midwest Constructors \$512,723.49
Turner County VS1 Site

A MOTION WAS MADE by Vallery and seconded by Frick to reject this bid. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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PCC Shared Use Path

2	09QN P TAPR(59) Timmons Construction, Inc. Flandreau - Along 480th Ave fm the Path at Royal River Casino to W 3rd Ave, Along W 3rd Ave fm 480th Ave to W Pipestone Ave, Along W Piepestone Ave to Industrial Park Rd	Moody County \$393,455.26
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Asphalt Concrete Resurfacing of Bridge Decks & Approaches

3	0952 IM 0020(239) DOUBLE H PAVING, INC Various Locations Throughout the Mitchell Region	Lincoln County \$222,694.88
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Rout & Seal

6	09WD NH-P 0021(190) Buffalo, Douglas, Hanson, Hutchinson, McCook, Minnehaha County Northwest Asphalt & Maintenance Various Locations in the Mitchell Area	\$773,330.67
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Rout & Seal

7	09WC NH-P 0013(172) Roadway Services, Inc. Various Locations in the Huron Area	Hand, Kingsbury County \$58,547.28
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Crack Leveling

8	0AA9 NH 0033(50) Highway Improvement, Inc Various Locations in the Winner Area	Bennett County \$157,111.05
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Pavement Markings

9	07XA PH 000S(448) Traffic Services Company LLC Various locations on the local system in the Rapid City Region	Pennington County \$231,772.90
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A MOTION WAS MADE BY Jensen and seconded by Roby to approve bids # 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, and 9. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Grading, Structures (6x6 CIP or Precast, 2-10x6 CIP, 3-10x4 Precast, 7x6 CIP or Precast, 242'-6" Prestressed Girder, 64' Prestressed Girder, 10x10 CIP or Precast, 3-12x5 CIP), PCC Surfacing, Asphalt Concrete Surfacing

1	034J, 0A9K IM-CR-EM 0901(187)44 HEAVY CONSTRUCTORS, INC. 190 E & W - Fm E of Exit 44 to W of Exit 48; Exit 46 (Elk Creek Rd)	Meade County \$77,697,290.36
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A MOTION WAS MADE BY Vehle and seconded by Rosenboom to approve bid #1. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Asphalt Surface Treatment

4 09WP IM-P 0021(191) Aurora, Brule, Davison, Gregory, Hanson, Lyman, McCook County
BITUMINOUS PAVING, INC. \$6,121,162.94
Various Locations in the Mitchell Area

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Roby and seconded by Rosenboom to approve bid #4. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Asphalt Surface Treatment

5 09WV IM-NH-P 0012(332) Brookings, Clark, Codington, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Moody,
Roberts County
BITUMINOUS PAVING, INC. \$4,278,173.55
Various Locations in the Watertown Area

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Vallery and seconded by Karim to approve bid #5. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Secretary Jundt noted that project #1 from the May 13, 2026 bid letting is the highest dollar amount awarded for a highway or bridge construction project in the history of the Department of Transportation.

With no further business to come before the Commission, Chairman Simons declared the meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m. CT.