November 6, 2025

The Miner County Board of Commissioners met in special session on November 6, 2025, in the Miner County Courthouse Commission Room. Members present: Joe Bechen, Kathy Faber, Tim Neises, Kari Jo Carlson and Mike Clary. Others present for the meeting Don Eppe, Eric Smith, Rob Eggert, Ron Krempges, Cora Schwader, Amie Kidd, Brittany Yanish and Jessica Charles.

Chairman Bechen called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Motion by Faber, seconded by Carlson and carried to approve the agenda, as amended. Correspondence items will be moved to the next agenda, as they were not sent out in advance. No one appeared for public comment.

Motion by Clary, seconded by Neises, and carried to pay the following claims: Microfilm Imaging \$470.00 RENT; Dakota Data Shred \$86.18 SUPPLIES; Alliance \$511.99 TELEPHONE.

Commissioners selected to continue to offer both Delta and Reliance Standard dental plans, so long as there is enough participation in each plan to provide them. The county will pay the employee-only rate for Reliance Standard (\$49.64) toward whichever dental plan an employee selects.

There were quotes from Wellmark and Avera Total Choice to review. Carlson made a motion to offer the same plans as the current year and stay with Wellmark for health insurance for 2026, seconded by Faber and passed unanimously.

Faber made a motion to add MASA Access coverage for the employees for 2026. Motion died for a lack of a second. Clary made a motion to offer MASA Access coverage for employees at \$8/month, with the option for employees to add their families for an additional \$9/month, paid out of the MERP fund, seconded by Faber and pass unanimously.

Vision quotes were provided by Reliance Standard and Delta Vision. Motion by Faber, seconded by Carlson, and carried to keep the vision coverage through Reliance Standard for 2026.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned until November 18th, 2025. Dated this 6th day of November, 2025.

Joe Bechen, Chairman Miner County Board of Commissioners

Attest: Rebecca Mommaerts, Miner County Auditor