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**Former Yankton County commissioner and, now, TransCanada representative Mark Johnson discusses the Keystone XL Pipeline issue with the County Commission Tuesday.**

## Rail Authority Weighed

### May 4 Public Hearing Slated For Proposal

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A proposal for a Yankton County rail authority is now set to get a hearing before the public.  
The Yankton County Commission on Tuesday established May 4 as the date for a special public hearing that is set to include a number of state rail experts on the matter.  
Commission chairman Todd Woods said he wants to get the idea out to the residents before passing any resolutions to move forward.  
"I think the biggest thing is we want to get as much



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information out to the public (as we can)," Woods said. "I think the more education, the better, and I want the facts so we can get all that information out and make the right decision so we can develop the rail authority in our county and move forward some economic development."  
It's hoped that the meeting will also serve to sort out any issues between existing rail authorities in the region.  
However, Garry Moore, a former county commissioner and member of the Napa-Platte Regional Rail Authority said Yankton County is already a part of a rail authority and would need to sort the issue out with them.

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## County Considers Transport Options

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The Yankton County Commission had a chance to see what more than a year of consultations on the state of the county's roads bodes for future projects.  
Bill Troe of the SRF Consulting Group gave a presentation of recommendations during Tuesday's meeting of the County Commission — and however the county proceeds could prove to be costly.  
The results were divided into three potential scenarios.  
\* Scenario A would include replacing two structures per year over 25 years for a total of 50 structures at \$12.5 million with \$15.3 million in improvement projects.  
\* Scenario B would replace one structure per year for 25 structures replaced at \$6.25 million with \$20.9 million spent on improvement projects.  
\* Scenario C would include replacing five structures every three years for \$10.5 million on structure replacement and \$16.2 million on improvement projects.  
Commission chairman Todd Woods said while it's a positive to prioritize the county's roads, the county is still going to need to determine how the projects will be funded.  
"It's great to prioritize

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## House Numbers Need To Be Visible

Fire Department Emphasizes Address Signage

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A well-marked home address makes it easier for package and food deliveries. However, such visible home addresses can be absolutely critical in an emergency.  
Yankton deputy fire chief Larry Nickles said this fact was highlighted during a recent incident in the Riverside Acres area.



Nickles

"I went to a burn complaint and when I got to where I was going, I was three houses off and the first half of the block, the signs had either been removed or not marked in the street," Nickles said. "There, the houses are far enough back that you can't see the numbers (on the houses) so the streets have been marked and, for whatever reason, the signs had been removed. Had that been an emergency, that would've been a big time delay by the time we figured out we were at the wrong place."

In another case, Nickles said GPS could only help so much.  
"Sometimes they're missing a whole street sign," he said. "That happened not too long ago in a trailer court and our GPS told us to turn on such-and-such a street, but the sign was gone so you weren't sure if you were on the right street."  
Nickles said there are a number of guidelines to follow when it comes to the address signage.  
"The numbers need to be contrasting," he said. "In other

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## A Cold Debut



JEREMY HOECK/P&D

These fans huddle under coats and blankets at Tuesday's Tri-State Invite track meet in Gayville. It was the first-ever meet at the new Gayville-Volin track complex, following a four-year endeavor that featured a number of fundraisers and a \$25,000 grant from State Farm.



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Local health care facility workers and the general public attended the health and religion diversity training meeting Tuesday to better understand different cultures that will be attending the World Archery Youth Championships in Yankton this summer. Pictured are the panelists from Colombia and Morocco that spoke about their different cultures at the training. (It was asked that the names of the panelists not be used.)

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## Panelists Discuss Medical Issues At Diversity Training

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Imagine yourself on a vacation to India. You immerse yourself in the country's many rich and diverse cultures filled with many languages, religions and delicious foods.  
But all of a sudden, you come down with the flu and need medical attention. What do you do? Will you find a hospital? Or will you perhaps go to one of India's many local healers?  
Local health care facility workers and the general public attended the health and religion diversity training meeting Tuesday to better understand different cultures that will be attending the World

Archery Youth Championships in Yankton from June 8-14.  
An estimated 600 competitors from 60 countries are expected at the tournament, supported by a similar number of team management and family.  
Panelists from India, Morocco, Colombia, Mexico, Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan and Italy spoke at the training. Christy Nicolaisen, executive director of the Multicultural Center of Sioux Falls, facilitated the event.  
Though some of the countries shared similarities in their health care systems, others differed from the United States greatly.  
In the Midwest, people are used to go-

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Doors Open at 11:00 am

Lunch Served 12:30pm-1:45pm

Speaker 2pm • Booths Open at 11am

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