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**Procedures for Section-Line Highway Improvement**

ARTICLE VI – SECTION-LINE-HIGHWAYS is deleted and replaced as follows:

ARTICLE VI – SECTION-LINE HIGHWAYS – DEVELOPMENT,  
IMPROVEMENT, OR RELOCATION

Any resident or landowner within Custer County desiring to have a section-line highway (SDCL 31-18-1) developed, improved, or relocated must petition to the Board to that end (SDCL31-18-3 & 31-3-6). Petitions filed under this ordinance shall contain the following:

1. The petition shall include the number of signatures of voters equal to or greater than one percent (1%) of the ballots cast for the last gubernatorial election in Custer County (SDCL 31-3-6).
2. The petition shall set forth a description of the exact location of the section-line-highway within Custer County, including the beginning course and termination of the section line highway proposed to be located, changed, or improved.
3. The petition shall include the names of the owners of the land through which the section line highway may pass. (SDCL 31-3-6).
4. A statement describing the requested maintenance, improvement or construction the petitioner desires the County to undertake. This statement is to be of sufficient detail to enable the County Highway Department and the Board to reasonably determine the likely cost of the proposed action.
5. A statement providing an indication of the proposed allocation of costs between the County and the residents or landowners affected by the action.
6. If developing, improving, or relocating a section-line highway, a statement by the petitioner(s) indicating whether or not they will post a performance bond, or, in the alternative, what other assurance of adequate performance they can give the Board.
7. A scale drawing sufficiently detailed to provide necessary information to assist the Board in the formulation of their response to the petition.
8. All section-line highway improvements shall be constructed to County Road Specifications.

9. The Planning Department shall review the petition and schedule the petition to be reviewed at a Planning Commission meeting prior to action by the Commission.
10. Notice of the petition and public hearing dates and times will be published twice as a legal notice in the appointed legal newspaper.
11. The Commission may improve, change or re-locate the section-line highway if the public interest will be better served by the proposed improving, changing or relocating of the section-line highway.