

**December 3, 2015**  
**10:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Flaagan with Commissioners Fougner, Marquart, Ellertson, and Loibl present.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the minutes as distributed. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim presented a policy for snow removal on rural roads.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the snow removal policy as presented. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim discussed the box culvert project in County Road 23, culverts in County Road 4, cutting cattails, the construction of the salt and sand shed, and prices of used dump trucks.

Anthony Herman, engineer, presented the master agreement with Kadrmas, Lee, and Jackson.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve beer and liquor licenses for Dwight and Sandy Elfman at Stump Lake Park and a beer license for Roberta Schroeder at Northern Lakeview Campground. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Jayne Tenneson discussed a request for funding from Safe Alternatives for Abused Families in Devils Lake. There was discussion on possible funding for the Sunshine House in Grand Forks, which would provide accommodations for people with family members in the hospital.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to commit \$2500.00 to SAAF in Devils Lake using funds from the Victim Witness Advocate fees. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Katelyn Hain discussed hiring a new administrative assistant, the crop improvement meeting, the shooting sports project, a proposed ice fishing tournament, and a possible 4-H skiing activity.

Sharon Young discussed the School Officers manual, the Foster County Full-Scale Exercise, the Homeland Security Grant review, and new county, city, fire district, and school district maps.

Keith Olson discussed the calls for service report, and the new patrol car.

Becky Nelson discussed security cameras and a new lock for the east door of the Courthouse using the Court Facilities Grant funds.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the estimate from Keith's Security for cameras and a new lock for the east door of the Courthouse using a local electrician. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to reappoint Paul Retzlaff, Odell Flaagan, Kevin Sundre, and Doug Manbeck to the Job Development Authority. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to reappoint Ben Varnson to the Water Board. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tentative dates for 2016 County Commissioners meetings were set.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to designate all of Nelson County as precinct #1, the Courthouse Community Room as the polling place, and the polling place hours from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. for the 2016 elections. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

An abatement application from Michael Ryba was reviewed.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to approve the abatement of 2015 taxes for the SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34, Township 154, Range 59 because of inundated ag land. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The reorganization of the Board began with the Auditor asking for nominations for Chairman.

Commissioner Fougner nominated Commissioner Flaagan.

Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Ellertson moved to cease nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot. Commissioner Loibl seconded it. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The Auditor asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Flaagan nominated Commissioner Fougner.

Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Ellertson moved to cease nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot. Commissioner Marquart seconded. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The Board met in the Community Room for a presentation by Offroad Software regarding the soil survey. Chris Bader discussed how the software can be used, modifiers, and its cost.

The Board examined the vouchers and instructed the Auditor to pay all bills as listed.

The meeting was recessed.

**December 14, 2015 - 10:00 A.M.**

The meeting was reconvened with Commissioners Flaagan, Loibl, Ellertson, and Fougner present.

Tim Lee discussed the sale of two dump trucks by Burleigh County.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve beer and liquor licenses for the Lakota Municipal Golf Club and Farmers Union Oil of Devils Lake, McVillage facility. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to bid up to \$75,000.00 for two used dump trucks. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Michelle Linstad discussed how Offroad Software could be used for the soil survey.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to purchase Offroad Software. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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W.J. Davidson, Auditor  
Sheila Fisk, Deputy Auditor  
Nelson County

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Odell Flaagan, Chairman  
Nelson County Commissioners

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