

December 8, 2016

10:00 A.M.

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

Also present were Tim Lee, Anthony Herman, Elvin Johnson and Marvin Narum.

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

The reorganization of the Board began with Commissioner Ellertson nominating Commissioner Loibl as Chairman.

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

Commissioner Fougner nominated Commissioner Ellertson for Vice-Chairman.

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

Elvin Johnson discussed scheduling the meeting to address the complaints about the spraying of weeds. The meeting will take place at the Commissioner meeting on February 7, 2016. Representatives from each township involved in the complaints, Rodney Brossart, the Nelson County Weed Board and the ND Weed Control Association should be present to address these issues.

Tim Lee discussed the repairs that were done to the motor grader. Total repairs were \$82,000.00. All repairs were covered by the insurance company of the truck driver responsible for the accident.

Tim discussed the bridge inspection that was done on the Galde Bridge on County Road 20. There was damage reported and it has been put on alert. There was also discussion about the repairs that will need to be done to fix it.

Bids were opened for the rent of the landfill quarter from Matt Opoien, Chris Anderson, Brian Schmidt and Scott

Moen. Chris Anderson and Matt Opoien were present for the bid opening and had the opportunity to raise their bids. The final bid was for \$2600.00 from Matt Opoien.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to rent the NE¼ of Section 12, Township 151, Range 59 except the former landfill quarter to Matt Opoien for \$2600.00 per year for 3 years. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Anthony Herman discussed the letter that was sent to Knife River Materials regarding the curve issue on County Road 4a. In the letter KLJ discussed the problem with the curve and stated that Knife River is responsible for correcting the surface irregularities. Knife River is challenging our request. They say they are within the specification tolerance and should not have to pay. Because of the weather, the project is being tabled until spring.

There was discussion on County Road 23 through Tolna. Final work on the road will be done by the end of January if the weather cooperates. Tolna will be responsible for approximately 51% of the total bill. They will have 60 days after the final payment is made to pay Nelson County.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to approve the beer and liquor license for the Lakota Municipal Golf Club and a beer license for Northern Lakeview Campground LLC. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion on a piece of property that was sold at a county sale in 2015 that has not been cleaned up as requested by the Commissioners at the time of the sale. A letter will be sent to the owner asking that the lot be cleaned up as per the agreement.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to appoint David Sateren to the Water Board and Todd Whitman as an alternate. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion about the County Responder Meeting with LEC. Also discussed was the 1.25 inches of moisture received in November. There was also discussion about acquiring a vehicle to pull the incident command trailer. Sharon Young has contacted Enbridge to purchase a vehicle under a grant program. There was also talk about using the extra pickup from the Highway Department to pull the trailer.

Keith Olson presented the Calls for Service. Because of the many break-ins throughout the county, the calls were up from last month.

There was discussion about getting a county credit card. There should be a custodian of the card from each of the four departments. The Sheriff's Department, the Highway Department, Social Services and the Auditor. Sheila will check with Shelly Flaagan at Farmers & Merchants Bank in Tolna for options.

Becky Nelson talked about the court facilities improvement grant. She presented a quote for a camera security system, and camera's in the courtroom. The grant also includes the renovation of the jury box by purchasing 15 chairs.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to sign the application to apply for the court facilities grant. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to sign the Veteran Service Officer Joint Powers Agreement between Ramsey, Benson and Nelson Counties. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the Homestead Credit abatement for parcel #15-3-24032-0. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to appoint Judy Galde to the Social Service board to replace Juliet Aslakson. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to appoint Alan Klefstad to the Social Services board to replace Odell Flaagan as a representative for the Commissioners. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion about having the Social Services Board meeting immediately following the Commissioner meetings. The Social Service Board meets every other month beginning in February.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Sheila Fisk
Nelson County Auditor

Maynard Loibl Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners

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