

February 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 Loibl to approve the minutes as distributed. All voted "Yes." Motion carried.

Herb Schultz was present.

Tim Lee discussed the new motorgrader building in Aneta, the open house there, a salt and sand building, the new motorgraders, and speed bumps.

There was discussion on the financing of the new motorgrader leases.

Shawn Mayfield and Anthony Herman, engineers, discussed federal aid money that is available and possible road projects, the County Road 4 seal coat project, construction engineering proposals, and possible state funding for road projects.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve a utility permit for Polar Telephone to bury fiberoptic cable in Adler, Clara, Dodds, Enterprise, Illinois, Lakota, Melvin, Michigan, Petersburg, Rubin, Sarnia, South Michigan, Wamduska, and Williams Townships. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the lease-purchase agreement with Merchants Capital Resources for 5 new 2015 140M3 Caterpillar motorgraders and the lessee's authorization resolution with an annual payment of \$111,096.15. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Sharon Young discussed the emergency operations onsite assessment at the Dakota Prairie Schools, mathcounts, spelling bee, the multi-hazard mitigation plan, the train derailment tabletop exercise, and the initial 2015 spring flood outlook.

Jayme Tenneson discussed his request for Clara Township minutes.

Laurie Rainsberry discussed the actions and inactions of the Deputy Sheriff and Highway Patrol when her son died in a dirt bike accident. Keith Olson and Jordan Koras explained policies and procedures in these situations.

Elvin Johnson discussed keeping the motorgrader in Lakota in the summer and the former County Road 2 in Clara Township.

Katelyn Hain and Kristi Berdal presented the extension activity report and discussed crop improvement activities, pesticide training, and succession planning.

Keith Olson and Jordan Koras discussed the Call for Service report, the dirt bike accident, robberies in the county, the poaching of deer, speeding citations and a promotion. Mark Dudgeon was introduced as Jordan's replacement.

Department heads, Jayme Tenneson, Michelle Linstad, Tim Lee, Marcia Beglau, Jeff Ritteman, Bernadette Matejcek, Sharon Young, Becky Nelson, Stacy Twete, and Keith Olson discussed the employee policy manual, a weapons policy, and the chairlift operation.

Commissioner Marquart left the meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to appoint Alan Klefstad to the Job Development Authority to replace Robert Engen. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to transfer \$49,860.40 from the Farm to Market fund to the Road & Bridge Fund. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim Lee discussed the former County Road 2 in Clara Township.

Ben Varnson, on speaker phone, discussed HB 1332, which takes away the Water Board's authority to use eminent

domain. The Board agreed to contact the political subdivisions committee to oppose it.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to transfer \$3235.93 from the County Loan fund to the County General fund and to deposit all future collections in the County General fund. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The 2014 financial statement was reviewed.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to transfer \$10,000.00 from the County General fund to the Courthouse Repair fund. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Debbie Trostad, on speaker phone, discussed FEMA fund balances and spending.

Abatement applications were reviewed from Joe Ping, Leonard Aamot, Corey and Colleen Anderson, and Juliet Aslakson.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the abatement of 2014 taxes on the E 130' of Lots 7-9, Block 31, White's Addition, Aneta because of a disabled veteran's exemption; Lots 5-8, Block 41, Original Townsite, Lakota and Lots 9 and 10, Block 28, White's Addition, Aneta because of Homestead Credit; and 8.78 acres in the SE ¼ of Section 17, Township 154, Range 58 because of the farm residence exemption. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

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

The meeting was recessed.

February 6, 2015 - 2:00 P.M.

The meeting was reconvened at the new county building in Aneta with Commissioners Flaagan, Fougner, Ellertson, and Loibl present.

Construction engineering proposals for the County Road 22 gravel project were reviewed from Kadrmas, Lee, and

Jackson and Ulteig Engineers. It was decided to interview them on February 19.

Clay Smaaladen, from Butler Machinery, presented the cost of trading motorgraders.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to trade a 2004 140H motorgrader for a 2011 140M2 motorgrader that was previously owned by the county and to make the full payment at this time. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was discussion on snow plows, a fuel tank, section lines, tree-trimming along county roads, Tolna's main street project, and the possible sale of an old dump truck.

At 3:00 P.M. a open house was held showing one of the new motorgraders and the new building.

The meeting was recessed.

February 19, 2015 - 10:30 A.M.

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

At 10:30 A.M. Shawn Mayfield and Anthony Herman, from Kadrmas, Lee, and Jackson, presented information on their qualifications to engineer the graveling project on County Road 22.

At 11:00 A.M. Chris Smaaladen and Brian King, from Ulteig Engineering, presented information on their qualifications for the same project.

There was discussion on both engineering firms.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to hire Kadrmas, Lee, and Jackson for construction engineering for project CNOA-3215 (059), which is a graveling project on County Road 22 from Highway 2 to County Road 1. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The agreement with the daycare center in Michigan was discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the rental agreement with Tiffany Woinarowicz for the daycare center in Michigan. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Jayme Tenneson discussed letters that he is preparing, and a water retention proposal in Griggs County.

Ag values were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to increase ag values by the minimum 6.5% according to the recommendation from NDSU and the State Tax Department. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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

Odell Flaagan, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners

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