

March 9, 2018
10:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Loibl. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present: Commissioners Klefstad, Fougner, Marquart, and Ellertson.

Also present was Ryan Shirek.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to amend the February minutes regarding the Day Care Center. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the amended minutes of the February 6, 2018 meeting as presented. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to approve a hauling permit for the Nelson County Pigs Coop during road restrictions. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Brian Johnson entered the meeting.

Brian Johnson talked about the removal of the west elevator in Whitman. He showed a video of the elevators being torn down. Brian submitted his bill for \$12,000.00.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to allow Brian Johnson to take down the east elevator in Whitman. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim Lee and Paul Bjornson from KLJ joined the meeting.

Tim discussed that the Day Care is current on rent. He informed the Board that culvert and gravel bids will be at next month's meeting.

Tim also discussed whether the drug testing is mandatory for the highway department. He doesn't like the way ND Association of Counties (NDACo) does their billing.

Tim discussed the blade expense report. He requested that the county raise the rate per hour from \$75.00 to \$81.00 an hour.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to raise the hourly rate for the blade to \$80.00 an hour

and have a review of blade costs annually. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion about the amount of money Melvin Township owes the county. Options were discussed with the State's Attorney on how we can collect this. A certified letter will be sent to the officers of Melvin Township requesting their appearance at the next Commissioners meeting. An open records request will be made in the letter. If there is no show for the meeting, then they can suspend all services to the township.

Commissioner Ellertson discussed a request of the County to pay for culverts in the approaches for the upcoming water project on County Roads 2 and 32. Other funding will be through the railroad, the Water Board, Nash Township, Petersburg Township, Michigan Township, Petersburg City and Michigan City. The cost to the County would be approximately \$15,000.00.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to help fund the water culvert project for \$15,000.00. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Commissioner Ellertson discussed the letter from NDDOT stating that they do not approve of the rerouting of County Road 5 in Petersburg. The DOT stated that Nelson County has other road projects that would make better use of our funds from HB 1176. The Board discussed other road projects that it could be used on.

Sharon Young discussed the school annexation hearing that is set for March 27, 2018 regarding the petition filed for a family that would like to switch from Dakota Prairie to Larimore School.

Sharon discussed the NE CRIB (Coordinated Regional Interoperability Board) meeting. Commissioner Marquart attended the meeting as the Nelson County's proxy. The spring flood risk outlook report was also discussed. Currently the flood risk is low. The next Flood Risk meeting is set for April 25th.

Becky Nelson discussed the Courts Services contract with the State that provides Nelson County with our judges.

Becky discussed the side door security. Estimates from Keith's Lock & Key were presented for options on the side door security. Smoke alarms throughout the courthouse were discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to accept the quote for \$3,521.02 from Keith's Lock & Key

for the buzz-in security system and to get smoke detectors for the courthouse. All the funds for implementing the security systems will be for the Courthouse Repairs fund. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Becky also discussed that the City of McVille would like to get a policing contract that would enable the Nelson County Sheriff to enforce city ordinances so it can be brought to the courts. Without the contract the Sheriff can enforce the ordinance but since there is no city court system, they would have nowhere to take it in front of a judge.

Keith presented the Calls for Services with 95 calls for the month of February. Keith informed the Board that Deputy TJ Bakken has resigned as of March 31 and he is in the process of looking for a new deputy.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the variance for Dan Rorvig to plant trees on Section 16, Township 149, Range 59 and Section 3, Township 149, Range 59. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Michelle Linstad presented abatements for parcel numbers 05-0000-01282-600, 15-0001-23460-000, 15-0001-23637-000, 15-0003-24088-000 and 21-0005-46710-800.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to approve the abatements for parcel numbers 05-0000-01282-600, 15-0001-23460-000, 15-0001-23637-000, 15-0003-24088-000 and 21-0005-46710-800. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Michelle showed a list of what townships the Nelson County Tax Director is responsible for and how or what she assesses.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to pay all the bills as listed. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Meeting recessed.

March 23, 2018 - 9:00 A.M.

On March 23, 2018 Chairman Loibl, Commissioners Marquart, Fougner and Klefstad attended the Township Officers annual meeting at the Sunlac Inn.

After the meeting at 10:55 A.M. a Commissioners meeting was held.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Loibl. Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Commissioners Marquart, Fougner and Klefstad.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to allow the Michigan Area Rural Ambulance District to put the question on the ballot at the Primary Election June 12, 2018 asking voters to approve raising their mill levy from 5 to 10 mills. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Sheila Fisk
Nelson County Auditor

Maynard Loibl, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners

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