

May 5, 2016

10:00 A.M.

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

Also present were Tim Lee, Anthony Hermann, Mike Strom from KLJ, and Steven Dahl from the city of Tolna.

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

There was discussion about the paving of County Road 23 through Tolna. Paving will not begin until after the sewer work that goes down the center line through Tolna has been completed. The sewer work could start around the first of June. The milling and overlay to be done on County Road 23 was discussed. Paving on County Road 23 through Tolna is being coordinated with the Tolna Railroad Crossing project.

Tim discussed that the Weed Board would share the cost of purchasing the bugs that kill leafy spurge with the residents. Also discussed were bugs that kill Canadian thistle.

There was a complaint from a resident about a windrow in the middle of a county road. Someone from the Highway Department was sent out to fix it.

Dust control should be done next week.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to sign and approve the Construction and Maintenance Agreement from the NDDOT for pipe replacement and overlay to be done for 5 miles east of ND 1 on County Road 1. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to accept and sign the Construction Engineering Agreement from KLJ for milling and overlay on County Road 35. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the progress of the work done on County Road 23.

Sharon Young assisted Dakota Prairie with the updating of their emergency plan. She attended a meeting in April to update the plan. There will be a Bomb Threat Tabletop Exercise this fall.

During Severe Summer Weather Awareness week there were tornado drills throughout the county and all sirens were tested.

Sharon showed us a colored map of the different fire rating zones. The map can be found on the Nelson County Emergency Management Facebook page or at www.nd.gov/des. She also talked about the recent tour of the Enbridge Bartlett Pump Station, the summer season hydrologic outlook and the Devils Lake Outlets.

Sharon talked about the Mega Mover Transport Chair that will carry people who need assistance out of the building in the event of an emergency. The Transport Chairs and First Aid Kits will be put on each floor of the courthouse.

Tami Evavold from Valley Med Flight gave a presentation on their plan. They provide emergency helicopter service. With a membership, Valley Med Flight will fly you anywhere at no cost.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to sign the resolution from Nodak Electric Cooperative where Nelson County would act as the applicant so Nodak Electric can access funds through the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program.

Keith Olson presented the Calls for Service and discussed an upcoming Sheriff's sale because of a levy against property of a Nelson County resident.

A letter was presented from the North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives requesting any environmental concerns about installing a geothermal system for heating and cooling of a shop on a farmstead in Nelson County.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to approve and sign the Funding Agreement for Clerk of District Court Services. All voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Marcia Beglau gave an update on the hiring of a new Director. Applicants apply through the state so it is

unknown how many have applied. She stated that there is a possibility to combine the position with another county.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Sheila Fisk
Nelson County Auditor

Odell Flaagan, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners

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