

November 8, 2017

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 at the meeting were Tim Lee and Anthony Herman from KLJ.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2017 meeting as presented. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim Lee discussed a minimum maintenance sign that Dodds Township wants up on County Road 15. He also discussed a bill he received from Butler for the grader maintenance.

Anthony Herman presented a map that showed future projects in the county. He also presented the Final Review and Acceptance for the County Road 23 project through Tolna for a signature.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to accept the final review and acceptance on County Road 23 through Tolna. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Andrew Aakre from Moore Engineering, members of the Petersburg city council: Brian Johnson, Kevin Sundre, Amber Vickaryous, James Schmidt and Susan Dahl, joined the meeting.

James Schmidt discussed what the County's decision was on the Petersburg project and the relocating of County Road 5 to the west entrance. They discussed what part of the project Nelson County would be responsible for. James presented what each of our options would cost.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to relocate County Road 5 to the west entrance into Petersburg to maximize dollars. A roll call vote was taken: Commissioners Klefstad, Fougner, Ellertson and Loibl voted "Aye", Commissioner Marquart voted "Nay". Motion carried.

At 11:30 the Appraisal Hearing was held with no comments.

Jayme Tenneson discussed the Brossart lawsuit.

Mark Dudgeon presented the Call of Service and discussed the activity for the month of October. There was also a discussion of the boarding of dogs when they have been abandoned. Mark introduced the new administrative assistant in the Sheriff's office, Kristi Matejcek.

Sharon Young discussed the rules and guidelines for placing a fire ban. She also discussed the Devils Lake moisture report. Through the end of October there has been 14.27" of moisture compared to 24.10" for this time last year. She reported that the Stump Lake level is at 1449.73 as of November 3, 2017.

Sharon discussed the county buyout of land in Bergen Township due to the repetitive flooding several years ago. The property is deed restricted and nothing can ever be built on that property. Sharon has to complete a report from the Department of Emergency Service that all property that has been acquired through the Hazard Mitigations Program is in compliance and the property has remained open space.

The meeting continued in the community room to discuss the flood risk maps. The ND Flood Risk MAP Project is a project through the State Water Commission and FEMA to update the Flood Insurance Rate Maps and improve information used to assess flood risk.

Michelle Linstad presented an abatement on parcel #30-0000-8625-000 for inundated land.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the abatement for parcel #30-0000-8625-000. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion about sending a notice along with the tax statement about the deadlines for applying for tax discounts. Also discussed were the Nelson County residents who were at the State Board of Equalization inquiring about modifiers. The decision for applying modifiers would have to be made in December 2017 for the 2018 tax year.

Michelle discussed creating a Nelson County Courthouse Facebook page. It will be a good way to get announcements and other information out to the public.

Katelyn Hain discussed the NDSU budget cuts. The budget could see a 13.9% budget cut over the next biennium by the

legislators. Changes have been made and there will be no raises for this year and next year. The State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (SBARE) will be having meetings to discuss recommendations that will be presented to the Legislature and Governor on how critical state needs can be addressed by the Agricultural Experiment Station and the Extension Service to ensure that the investments on behalf of the North Dakota citizens will yield great long-term dividends.

Moved By Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Ellertson to approve the conditional use permit for the Verizon Wireless Tower to be put up in Adler Township. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to sign and adopt the Resolution for the re-designation of the County Auditor position from an elected position to an appointed position. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Bernadette Matejcek discussed investing securities into multiple banks in addition to banks in Nelson County. After a long discussion, it was decided to leave our investment in the local banks.

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

Meeting recessed.

Commissioner Meeting
County Sale - November 21, 2017
10:00 A.M.

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

The Auditor declared the county sale open at 10:00 A.M. with David Schill and Hans Gregory present.

The Auditor asked if those present have read the Terms of Sale and understand that all sales are final. All present said yes. Both parties present also signed a Delinquent Tax Oath certifying that they have no unpaid taxes in the state of North Dakota.

Hans Gregory bid \$200.00 on the E 15' of W1/2 of Lot 2 of Block 7 in the original townsite in Aneta. There were no other bids on this property.

David Schill bid \$600.00 on Lots 15 & 16 of Block 7 in the original townsite of Tolna. There were no other bids on this property.

There were no other bids for any other properties.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to accept the bids from Hans Gregory and David Schill. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The Auditor declared the sale closed.

There was discussion about the gravel work that was done on County Road 15 in Petersburg Township. There was also a discussion about issuing a Certificate of Indebtedness to Petersburg Township to help them pay for their gravel bill.

There was a discussion about the Christmas holiday. Since the 24th falls on a Sunday this year, there will be no extra time taken off besides Monday Christmas Day.

Meeting adjourned.

Sheila Fisk
Nelson County Auditor

Maynard Loibl, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners

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