

November 5, 2020

10:00 A.M.

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

Also present was Seth Hamre.

The board and visitors present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to approve the minutes of the October 6th, 9th, 13th and 27th, 2020 meetings. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Addition added to the agenda was the painting of the Auditor's office.

Seth Hamre discussed the Galde Bridge project. He discussed that the county has roughly about \$18,000.00 left to pay on the project. He also discussed that the county has paid \$390,641.41 since 2017 on the bridge.

Seth discussed that the Highway Department has been busy mowing cattails down and that they have been busy getting the trucks ready for winter.

Seth discussed that they hired a new office manager for the Highway Department and the new employee will start on November 9, 2020.

Seth discussed that he has been working on getting the 2021 culverts order in for the Highway Department.

Seth discussed that Randy Schaley called and was wondering if he can have the power company move the power polls that are located south of his farmstead from 75 feet to 60 feet from the pavement at Randy's expense.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to allow Randy Schaley to have the power company move the power polls south of his farmstead from 75 feet to 60 feet from the pavement and that Randy will have to cover the expense. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The Appraisal Hearing began at 11:15 A.M. No cities or townships attended.

Angela Herda discussed that she helped the Nelson County Sheriff's Department on the missing person in Nelson County. She also gave an update on the lake elevations for Stump Lake and Devils Lake, which are both down from the month of October. Stump Lake elevation is at 1448.59' and Devils Lake elevation is at 1448.57'.

Angela discussed the increase of COVID numbers in Nelson County. She also discussed that Lakota Public School was shut down for five days due to lack of staff because of COVID and Dakota Prairie High School was shut down for two weeks in October due to staff being close contact.

No public comments.

Keith Olson presented the Calls for Service. There were 199 calls of service for the month of October. He also discussed that a new deputy sheriff has been hired and will be based out of Lakota.

Julie Ferry gave an update to the Commissioners on the COVID numbers increasing in Nelson County. She also discussed about mask mandating in Nelson County.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad on making Nelson County a mask mandating county effective November 5, 2020. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Mary Langley discussed with the Commissioners about the Human Service Zone plan that was handed out to the Commissioners to review for the State of North Dakota.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the Human Service Zone plan for the State of North Dakota. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Jenny Wigen discussed on having the Auditor's office painted.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to have the Auditor's office painted. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to pay all the bills as listed. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There being no further business, moved by Commissioner Klefstad to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

**Special Commissioners Meeting
County Sale
November 17, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.**

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

Also present was Robyn Ward.

Auditor Wigen declared the county sale open at 10:00 A.M. which no one from the public was present.

The Auditor called for bids on the foreclosure property located in Dahlen Township. There were no bids on the property.

Auditor Wigen discussed with the Commissioners that they can sell this property back to Dahlen Township for \$1.00.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to sell the foreclosure property located in Dahlen Township back to Dahlen Township for \$1.00. A roll call vote was taken and all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The Auditor declared the sale closed.

There being no further business, moved by Commissioner Loibl to adjourn the meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Jenny Wigen
Nelson County Auditor

Bruce Ellertson, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners