

October 7, 2021
10:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nancy Marquart. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present: Commissioners Cody Johnson, Steve Forde, Maynard Loibl and Don Fougner.

Also present were Seth Hamre, Jayme Tenneson and Doug Stein.

The board and visitors present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021 meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Additions added to the agenda were USDA grant, NDSU Extension, Lake Region Law Enforcement Center Tour, NDDOT Maintenance Certification, redistricting of the county and NRG quote.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Forde to approve the agenda. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Seth Hamre discussed that the Highway Department will be finishing up on some graveling projects throughout the county. He also discussed that they are busy finishing up on mowing for the season.

Seth discussed the Maintenance Agreement from NDDOT regarding our federal aid routes in the county that will need to be signed.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to sign the Maintenance Agreement regarding our federal aid routes in the county. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The budget hearing began at 11:00 A.M.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to accept the final 2022 budgets. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The budget hearing was closed.

Commissioner Forde presented the Certification of Significant Community Support for Essential Community Facility Projects, USDA Grant, which will be used for updating the nurse call system and new Wanderguard system at the McVille Care Center.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Forde to sign the Certification of Significant Community Support form. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Forde and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to reappoint Deb Duchscherer to the Nelson County Housing Authority Board. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed the process of the redistricting in the county from the 2020 Census, which will need to be done before December 31, 2021. Auditor Wigen is in the process of forming a Redistricting Board.

Jenny Wigen presented the quote from NRG. The county will be switching their IT from ReadITech to NRG starting November 1, 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to approve and sign the quote from NRG. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Kenny Dahl, Lee Dahl, Kent Hejlik, Jason Sorlien, Keith Olson and Angela Herda joined the meeting.

The board discussed the burn ban that was in effect in Nelson County.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to lift the burn ban in Nelson County effective as of October 7, 2021 and that all control burns still need to be called in. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Angela Herda discussed that the radio grants for the fire and ambulance districts are being paid out to each district. Angela also discussed that she is assisting the departments with the SIRM 20/20 applications.

No public comments.

Keith Olson presented the Calls for Service for the month of September. There were 185 calls in September.

Keith discussed that he is in the process of working on getting a new vehicle for Deputy Schwind.

Mary Langley presented to the Commissioners her letter of resignation as Director of Eastern Plains Human Services Zone, which covers Nelson and Griggs County. Mary's last day will be December 10, 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Forde and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to accept Mary Langley's resignation as Director of Eastern Plains Human Service Zone. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed the next process of hiring a new director for Eastern Plains Human Service Zone or joining another Human Service Zone.

Moved by Commissioner Forde and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to hire a new director for Eastern Plains Human Service Zone. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Michelle Linstad presented three abatements on parcels 21-0001-46095-000, 21-0003-46534-000 and 27-0001-67744-000.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Forde to approve the abatements on parcels 21-0001-46095-000, 21-0003-46534-000 and 27-0001-67744-000. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Forde 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 Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Loibl to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

**Special Commissioners Meeting
October 18, 2021 - 1:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Nancy Marquart. Roll Call was taken and the following member was present: Commissioner Cody Johnson.

Present by phone conference were Commissioners Steve Forde and Don Fougner.

Also present was Jayme Tenneson.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to approve the agenda. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Auditor Wigen discussed with the Commissioners about the seven tax foreclosure properties that came back to the county as of October 1, 2021. The properties are located in Dahlen Township, City of Lakota, City of Michigan, City of McVille and City of Petersburg. A minimum sale price was set on the properties that will be sold at the county sale on November 16, 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minimum sale price that was set on the seven tax foreclosure properties for the county sale. On a roll call vote all members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Jenny Wigen
Nelson County Auditor

Nancy Marquart, Chairman
Nelson County Commissioners