

**October 4, 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 Marquart, Klefstad, Fougner and Ellertson.

Also present at the meeting were Tim Lee, Anthony Herman from KLJ, Jayme Tenneson and Jacob Brossart.

The Auditor stated a change that needed to be made in the September minutes.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the amended minutes for the September 6, 2017 meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Tim Lee discussed the work that has been done on the Galde Bridge. The project should be completed in about a week. The cost for repairing the bridge is approximately \$63,500.00. He also informed the board that they have been mowing and spraying the cattails.

Anthony Herman presented the engineering contract for the seal coat on County Road 1 that required a signature from Chairman Loibl. The cost of the design engineering will be \$15,500.00.

Anthony gave an update on County Road 23 going through Tolna. The final acceptance from Knife River is still pending.

Anthony also presented an update of the budget for the state, federal and State Water Commission funding. He discussed how much of the funding is still available and how much is still out for reimbursement.

Anthony presented Request for Reimbursements and the Acceptance Certification Agreement for County Road 1, 35 and 4a.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to sign the Acceptance Certification Agreement and the Request for Reimbursement for County Road 1. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to sign the Acceptance Certification Agreement and the Request for Reimbursement for County Road 35 and 4a. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Anthony presented a proposal for the Galde Bridge replacement project. The bidding would be August 2018 with construction in 2019. Federal aid bridge funds would be used for the project. Nelson County's share would be \$275,000.00. After a discussion, the Board decided to wait a year or two to replace the bridge.

Andrew Aakre from Moore Engineering discussed the Petersburg street project and the rerouting of County Road 5 through Petersburg. The request to move County Road 5 to the west entrance into Petersburg does not have an off ramp which would make it difficult for entering off Highway 2. The NDDOT is not in favor of moving County Road 5 to the west entrance because there are no off ramps. The discussion was tabled for a later date.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) hearing began at 11:00 A.M.

Steve Forde from the Nelson County Health System was present for the hearing. No other persons were in attendance for the hearing.

The project is the removal of architectural barriers at Nelson County Health System in McVille. Replacement of specific operational components in the facility's elevator will allow for uninterrupted elevator service for hospital patients, visitors and staff. Specifically, the elevator's electrical controls and hydraulic power unit will be replaced as part of the project.

The CDBG Final Application along with other documents were reviewed and signed by Vice Chairman Ellertson.

The hearing ended with no other comments.

Katelyn Hain discussed her travels to various cities around the United States for the North Central Agricultural and Natural Resources Academy that she has been attending. She will be finishing it up with a trip to Minneapolis in December 2018. She also has been working with NDSU auditors that do a comprehensive review of the Extension Service that

give recommendations on how they can be more efficient. She discussed that their name has changed from NDSU Extension Service to just NDSU Extension. Also discussed were Annie's Project (empowering women in agriculture), the Farm Stress Program and 4-H.

Keith Olson discussed the Calls for Service. There were 155 calls for service in September. He also discussed the promotion of two of his deputies. Mark Dudgeon will be promoted to Sergeant and Danielle Rosewaren to Lead Investigator. Their salary was also discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to give Mark Dudgeon and Danielle Rosewaren an \$1800.00 per year raise. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to transfer \$10,000.00 to the Courthouse Repairs Fund for 2017 and 2018. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

At 1:30 P.M. the budget hearing began with no one present to comment.

There was a discussion about the Law Enforcement Fund mill levy. Jail bills for the past five years were totaled and averaged. By lowering the mill levy down to 2.43 mills, the county will be saving the taxpayers \$63,510.00.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to lower the Law Enforcement Fund mill levy down from 5 mills to 2.43 mills. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to adopt the following budget for 2018:

County General	\$ 2,408,690
Road and Bridge	1,493,000
Weed Control	119,825
Hazardous Chemicals	3,000
Law Enforcement	60,050
LLE Block Grant	22,000
FEMA Administration	1,726
FEMA 2013	14,943
Veteran's Service	12,240

County Agent	63,815
Homeland Security	70,000
Job Development Authority	99,424
Historical Society	6,648
Senior Citizens	48,270
Document Preservation	20,000
County Library	28,925
Health District	44,000
Soil Conservation District	48,000
Water Resource District	107,238
Garrison	27,095
Devils Lake Joint Water District	9,000
Red River Joint Water District	15,000

All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Sharon Young gave an update on the school enrollment figures for 2017-2018 year and the school bus driver workshop which was held on September 27, 2017.

Sharon discussed the briefing she provided to the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) about Nelson County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) on September 20, 2017.

Sharon also discussed the ND Flood Risk MAP Project. The State Water Commission and FEMA updated the Flood Insurance Rate Maps to improve information used to assess flood risk. There will be a Discovery Meeting for Nelson County in early 2018. The meeting is for those who are responsible for or interested in identifying and reducing flood risk in our county.

Moved by Commissioner Fougner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to re-appoint Don Staniszewski to the Nelson County Housing Authority board for a 5 year term. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the abatement request from Rodney Brossart.

Moved by Commissioner Ellertson and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to deny the Brossart abatement. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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Sheila Fisk  
Nelson County Auditor

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Maynard Loibl, Chairman  
Nelson County Commissioners

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