

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 21st, 2020

At 3:30 pm, Chairman David Utke called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner David Utke, Commissioner, Commissioner Becky Hagel, Commissioner Scott Beumer and Commissioner Pat Copenhaver. Also present were Road Superintendent Nate Monson, Auditor Brad Solberg, States Attorney Kara Brinster, and Foster County Independent Reporter Leasa Lura.

The meeting began with approval of the minutes. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7th, 2020 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel made a motion to approve the bills and pull the bill from Brager Disposal, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

29456 ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	202001	443.44
29457 ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS	202001	1,145.23
29458 AUTO VALUE PARTS STORE	202001	169.00
29459 BEVERLEY MANLEY	202001	72.50
29460 BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	202001	2,222.69
29461 C & J OIL COMPANY	202001	257.88
29462 CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	202001	214.42
29463 CENTRAL CITY H20+	202001	13.50
29464 CITY OF GLENFIELD	202001	360.00
29465 COMPUTER EXPRESS	202001	325.00
29466 DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	202001	139.55
29467 DATASPEC INC	202001	449.00
29468 DOUBLE TAP DEFENSE	202001	1,251.48
29469 FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	202001	590.26
29470 HOLIDAY INN BISMARCK	202001	172.80
29471 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	202001	576.05
29472 JEFF EDLAND	202001	2,500.00
29473 LEAF	202001	74.80
29474 ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	202001	16.00
29475 NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	202001	75.00
29476 OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	202001	155.00
29477 PHARMCHEM INC	202001	114.20
29478 SOFTWARE INNOVATIONS	202001	2,790.00
29479 STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	202001	210.00
29480 WOLD ENGINEERING, P.C.	202001	19,504.26
29481 FM TITLE COMPANY	202001	20.00

Commissioner Utke asked to have bridge inspections added under Road Superintendent Nate Monson's items. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Commissioner Hagel stated that Foster County is having a tough time finding a replacement for Lorraine Vanwey at Public Health. Hagel will check with more contractors.

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent, informed the BOCC that the Road Department has plowed eight inches of snow since the last meeting. Monson informed the BOCC that the road department has had no major or minor repairs on equipment since the last meeting. Monson told the BOCC that the Road Department spent five hours hauling snow from the Public Health building with the Payloader and Skid steer. Monson informed the BOCC that hauling that much snow with that equipment is an accident waiting to happen. Monson spoke with the City of Carrington about adding our snow to their snow pile over by the Library.

Monson informed the BOCC that the planned chipping project for 2020 is on record with the State of North Dakota, but it has a new project number.

The NDDOT sent a letter to the BOCC asking for participation in Bridge Inspections. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to have the NDDOT do the county Bridge Inspections, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed. Commissioner Scanson also asked Monson to have the NDDOT inspect the Wright Bridge.

Tax Equalization Director Karen Evans stated that Farm Residence Exemption letters have gone out. Evans informed the BOCC that the CAMA software is downloaded and that she is going through training on that software. Evans stated that the new 2020 values are now available but won't be sent out until the BOCC approves them. Evans told the BOCC that out buildings and sheds have been picked up by Vanguard, and that they were never counted for in the past. Evans informed the BOCC that Vanguard gave a free 1-year License Agreement to have the new values on the Foster County Website. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the 1-year License Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Emergency Manager Aaron Devereaux went through the Carrington Fire Department Calls from 2019 with the BOCC. Devereaux then asked the BOCC if he would be able to work three days a week, as two days he is only able to get the minimum amount done. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to allow Devereaux to work three days a week, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg presented a raffle permit application from the Garden Club. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the raffle permit application, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Solberg presented the BOCC with an opportunity to have Maintenance Supervisor Craig Weisz attend a training in Dickinson for the heating systems. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to allow Weisz to attend the training at Steffes Corp, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The BOCC discussed what they wanted to send out to Townships for Share Roads. Each Township Supervisor received a Share Road Letter along with a Prairie Dog letter. The clerks will receive both letters along with a Pay Assistance Application, share road maps, and share road spreadsheet.

With no further business, Chairman Utke moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:37pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

David Utke, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners