

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 15th, 2018

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

The meeting began with approval of the minutes. Commissioner Utke made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 1st, 2018 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye, and the motion passed.

26338	ND CHILD SUPPORT	731.87
26339	TODD D. KRANDA	140.81
26340	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	1,197.62
26341	BLM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	24.00
26342	BRAD SOLBERG	50.00
26343	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	225.75
26344	BREMER BANK, N.A.	35.00
26345	BRISS OIL COMPANY	339.00
26346	C & J OIL COMPANY	4,238.69
26347	CASS COUNTY GOVERNMENT	3,906.00
26348	CENEX - FLEET FUELING	115.43
26349	CITY OF CARRINGTON	29.98
26350	CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE	2,270.82
26351	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	139.64
26352	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	152.17
26353	DALSTED & RYAN, P.C.	75.00
26354	DANIELLE BECKLEY	135.16
26355	DIANNE HERTEL	62.82
26356	DOWNRANGE, INC.	100.00
26357	FASTENAL COMPANY	125.47
26358	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	723.82
26359	GALL'S	305.96
26360	HIWAY TESORO	57.69
26361	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	558.35
26362	INTERGRAPH CORPORATION SGI DIVISION	1,377.36
26363	J.O.B. WELDING & REPAIR	269.00
26364	JUSTIN JOHNSON	154.20
26365	LEAF	129.60
26366	MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC.	231.39
26367	MIDSTATES WIRELESS	193.95
26368	NAPA AUTO PARTS	528.59
26369	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATION	120.00
26370	NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO.	1,302.00
26371	OFFICE DEPOT	636.19
26372	QUALITY INN	334.80
26373	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	650.00
26374	UNIFORM CENTER	445.60
26375	USPS	308.50

Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Commissioner Utke with additions. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Auditor Solberg presented a contract to the BOCC from The Village for an Employee Assistance Program (EAP). This contract would start June 1 and go through the end of 2018. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to accept the contract from The Village for an Employee Assistance Program starting June 1st, 2018, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

New Business

Road Superintendent Nate Monson approached the BOCC with the work that had been done since the last meeting. The Road Department has dura-patched county highways on May 7th, 9th, 10th, and 15th. Monson informed the BOCC that load restrictions are still on and have not heard from the State of North Dakota about when they will be off. Monson stated that he was going to go to the State Auction to look for a new truck on May 23rd. Monson also stated that the road dept. had put the docks out on Juanita Lake on May 3rd.

Auditor Solberg brought the chip seal bids to the BOCC. There were 3 bids that were opened. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to give notice of award and accept the bid from Asphtech, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Social Service Director Teresa Fetch and Lisa Marchus approached the BOCC about the Tri County Social Service agreement. The highlights presented were:

- Sharing of staff among the three counties.
- No plan to eliminate staff.
 - When staff retires or resigns, look to see if position needs to be filled.
- Lowered Expenses between the three counties.
- Once county to handle administration (Wells County)
 - Board would include 3 members from Wells County and 2 members from Foster County and 2 members from Eddy County.
- Only one budget to create instead of three.
- One meeting a month compared to 4 meetings a month.

Commissioner Scanson thanks Teresa and Lisa for the hard work they put into to create the district plans. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to approve the Tri County Social Service District Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Emergency Manager Jess Earle approached the BOCC about some grant updates. Earle stated that Foster County received the full \$7,000 from Garrison Diversion for the park playground project. Earle also stated that she would like to go to the State Auction and look at vehicles for the Emergency Management Department. Sheriff Johnson told the BOCC that EM Earle could use the spare Sheriff's Pickup for the Emergency Management Vehicle as it just sits all day. Johnson also said that when the Sheriff Ford Taurus is ready to traded in, he would trade the pickup instead and allow EM Earle to us the Taurus after that. Earle also gave an update on the sirens. One of the sirens does not work and it is on the West side of Carrington. Earle said that her and the City of Carrington are looking into finding someone with a hotline truck to be able to go up and repair it before the severe weather comes.

Commissioner Discussion

Mike Larson from the community approached the BOCC about road right of ways. Larson brought to the Commissioners attention that some farmers are farming in the county Right of Way (ROW). Larson told the BOCC that the slopes need to be regraded, there are silt problems caused by farmers farming too close, and the downstream flow has been altered. Commissioner Utke stated that he has been looking into other counties polices to see what their plans are. Utke also said that Foster County would need to come up with a policy and get legal advice as we go along the way. Larson stated that he wanted the BOCC to make a decision at the meeting. Commissioner Copenhagen stated that the BOCC would take Mr. Larson under advisement and work on a policy.

Auditor Solberg presented the BOCC with a change order from General Roofing and Const. for the dome project.

- Remove all the nails and replace with screws in the upper rounded section of the dome for \$18,628.
- Remove the nail and replace with screws at the barrel section for \$3,200

Commissioner Hagel made a motion to deny the change order request from contractor, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel mentioned to the BOCC that EM Earle had been offered the EM job from Eddy County. Commissioner Hagel also said that Eddy County would visit with Foster County on coming up with a solution to make this work for both parties.

With no further business, Chairman Copenhagen moved to adjourn the meeting.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

Pat Copenhagen, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners