

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

At 3:30pm, Chairman Copenhaver called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Chairman Pat Copenhaver, Commissioner Scott Beumer, Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner Hagel and Commissioner David Utke via phone. 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 Scanson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

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

25538	AUTO VALUE PARTS STORE	201801	561.62
25539	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	201801	96.00
25540	CENTRAL CITY H20+	201801	140.00
25541	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	201801	130.00
25542	DATASPEC INC	201801	449.00
25543	MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC.	201801	241.61
25544	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	201801	12,420.89
25545	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ENGINEERS	201801	200.00
25546	OFFICE DEPOT	201801	157.92
25547	PAT COPENHAVER	201801	35.31
25548	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	201801	201.50
25549	SOFTWARE INNOVATIONS	201801	9,550.00

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

New Business

Road Superintendent Nate Monson approached the BOCC with the snow work that had been done since the last meeting. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> the road dept. went out and plowed roads due to 5 inches of snowfall. The road dept. had to plow roads Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> due to high winds. The road dept. had to go and plow snow on Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> due to 1 inch of snow each day. Monson also provided the BOCC with a few reports showing the monthly and yearly blade hours, and blade work done for the townships. Monson stated that with a good December the blade hours have gotten under control for the year. They are close to averages for the past four years. This is helpful with extending the warranty on the current blades. Commissioner Hagel stated that she wanted a local resident billed for the replacement of a damaged culvert. Hagel also wants a written agreement whenever the Foster County Road Dept. does any work for an individual on culverts or widening approaches.

Chairman Copenhaver asked Nate Monson who usually attends that North Dakota Association of County Engineers meeting. Monson stated that in the past that Foster County has sent a representative from Wold Engineering. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to send Michael Rivinius of Wold Engineering as Foster County's voting delegate to the North Dakota Association of County Engineers meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Mariann Doeling and Nicole Threadgold of CHI St Alexius Health of Carrington, along with Pastor Randy Hahne of Kiwanis approached the BOCC about a grant for the County Park directly east of the Foster County Courthouse. This grant is through Blue Cross Blue Shield and has to be written by a healthcare provider. The ideal application is to help benefit playgrounds or park equipment. Pastor Randy stated that the Kiwanis goal is to help out children in the area, and they believe that this would be a help to the children. Kiwanis would do fundraising with a goal of raising \$5,000.00 towards the project. That would match the hopeful amount from the grant. Threadgold stated that they are also looking into other grants to help offset the costs. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to enter into a memo of understanding for liability, ownership, and removal of old equipment, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Tax Director Karen Evans approached the BOCC with an abatement for Frank Klein. The property being abated is in the City of Carrington, and has already had approval from the City of Carrington. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the Klein Abatement, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg approached the BOCC about the lifespan on the current server. Solberg stated that the IT company that works with Foster County told him that Foster County should have replaced the server in 2014 or 2015. The BOCC asked Solberg to get quotes for buying a new server.

The BOCC went through and appointed Commissioners to each board that they sit on. The list is as follows:

- Human Services-Alan Scanson and Becky Hagel
- Council of Aging- Pat Copenhaver
- Ambulance Board-David Utke, Backup-Becky Hagel

Public Health-Becky Hagel  
Planning and Zoning- David Utke  
JDA and CDC- Scott Beumer  
LEPC-Becky Hagel, Backup-Scott Beumer  
NE CRIB-David Utke  
South Central Human Service- Pat Copenhaver  
NDSU Extension-Alan Scanson

The last board that Foster County sits on is HUD. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to appoint Roger Gussiaas to the HUD Board, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel told the BOCC that the previous county that she worked in, had a rotation set up for which Commissioner spoke on the radio following a meeting. Hagel has been doing it since it was started, and would like to give the opportunity to have others speak on the radio if they would like. Chairman Copenhaver said he would be the backup as he is the Chairman of the Board.

Commissioner Hagel gave an update on the Tri-County Human Service Board. They have come up with a salary schedule based on the State of North Dakota schedule for Human Service Employees. Hagel also came to the BOCC with a salary increase for Dawn Lende as she is not where she should be on the schedule. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to bring Lende up to her step on the schedule, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

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

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Brad Solberg  
Foster County Auditor

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Pat Copenhaver, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners