

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

At 3:30pm, Chairman Pat Copenhaver called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Pat Copenhaver, Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner David Utke, and Commissioner Becky Hagel. Also present were Road Superintendent Nate Monson, Auditor Brad Solberg, Citizen Kara Brinster 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 November 20<sup>th</sup>, 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.

27419	APPLIED CONCEPTS INC.	145.00
27420	C & J OIL COMPANY	53.92
27421	CARRINGTON DRUG INC.	7.99
27422	CARRINGTON MOTORS INC	2,038.25
27423	CARRINGTON MOTORS INC	40.00
27424	CENTRAL CITY H20+	13.50
27425	CENTRAL CITY H20+	38.50
27426	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	38.44
27427	COMPUTER EXPRESS	160.00
27428	COMPUTER INTELLIGENCE ASSOCIATION	154.00
27429	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	235.20
27430	EDDY COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	773.71
27431	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	109.58
27432	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	521.78
27433	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	184.00
27434	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	26.50
27435	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC.	16.00
27436	JUSTIN JOHNSON	519.50
27437	LAKE SOCIAL SERVICE DISTRICT	30.00
27438	LEEVEER'S FOODS	74.55
27439	LONGVIEW REPAIR	127.50
27440	MARCO, INC.	825.34
27441	MERLE OR EUNICE MUNSON	675.00
27442	ND COUNTY RECORDERS ASSOCIATION	200.00
27443	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATION	5,346.57
27444	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	828.00
27445	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	284.58
27446	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	75.00
27447	NDTC	163.00
27448	NSC MINERALS	2,893.38
27449	OFFICE DEPOT	563.75
27450	PATRIOT FUELS	289.66
27451	PATRIOT FUELS	158.09
27452	QUALITY INN	169.20
27453	RANDY'S ELECTRIC	122.79
27454	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	59.09
27455	RICK'S WHOLESALE TIRE INC.	718.20
27456	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	186.62
27457	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	130.00
27458	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	819.03
27459	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR	114.00
27460	USPS	450.00
27461	USPS	72.00
27462	VERIZON WIRELESS	182.36
27463	WELLS COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	5,926.73
27464	WOLD ENGINEERING, P.C.	432.50

Commissioner Scanson asked to add weather related closures under Road Superintendent Nate Monson. Commissioner Utke wanted to add ambulance board meeting update and building discussion under Commissioner Discussion. Commissioner Hagel asked to add railroad crossings under Nate Monson. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed.

#### New Business

Road Superintendent Nate Monson told the BOCC that the Road Department has cleaned up a little bit of snow since the last meeting. Monson also stated that he has a weed board member retiring and would like to have a new one sworn in during the first meeting of 2019. Monson then told the BOCC that the Road Department is already working on their equipment for the 2019 summer season.

Commissioner Scanson wanted to discuss weather closure procedures. Scanson asked the BOCC if they would like to follow the Carrington School District and be up to two hours late if the conditions are unfavorable. Commissioner Hagel said that the BOCC has already set up a procedure. The procedure is for the Chairman of the Board to make the call if the Courthouse is closed or not. The procedure was left unchanged.

Commissioner Hagel wanted to discuss possible railroad crossing issues in Foster County. Hagel wanted each commissioner to look at their district for possible railroad crossing dangers. Hagel stated that she would also like to discuss this at the next BOCC meeting.

Auditor Solberg was approached by Sheriff Justin Johnson about having a payroll deduction for Fraternal Order of Police dues. Commissioner Hagel stated that since it is not required for the Sheriff's Department to be a part of FOP, that we should not do the payroll deduction.

Solberg also brought a list that Monson had given him with suggestions for roads that could use Traffic Counts. The BOCC stated that they would like to see both of #12 roads on the list done and not road #10 on the list.

Solberg then brought a contract and contract bond to the BOCC for approval for the Miller Bridge Project. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the contract and contract bond for the Miller Bridge Project, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Custodian Russ Heidt approached the BOCC about getting a new, brighter light in the west parking lot. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to approve the brighter light in the west parking lot, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel gave an update on the new park equipment. Hagel also stated that Nicole Threadgold is working on a grant that would help Foster County get money for more new park equipment. The grant would be over two years and be \$25,000 each year.

Commissioner Hagel asked the BOCC to appoint two board members for the new social service board. Commissioner Utke made a motion to have Becky Hagel and Alan Scanson as the two Foster county representatives on the social service board, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Utke stated that the Ambulance Board will send financial info and the BOCC should contact with questions.

Emergency Manager Jess Earle approached the BOCC about a grant to help pay for a comprehensive plan. The Grant would be a match with Foster County's match being 10% or a max of \$2,000.

Earle then gave a Teen CERT update. Teen CERT training teaches you about the potential disasters that could affect your area and how to safely and responsibly respond to them. Earle then said that there will be a 10 week course in Glenfield starting January 8th, and this course will require no money from Foster County.

Earle gave a recommendation to the BOCC to approve an updated JPA with Eddy County for the 2019 year.

Earle asked the BOCC about getting an intern from June-Aug. Commissioner Hagel stated that it would need to be a meaningful internship. Hagel also said that the BOCC would need to check with insurance (WSI) before any decision could be made.

Earle reminded the BOCC that there will be a tabletop exercise on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Utke asked Auditor Solberg if he had heard anything from EAPC about the dewatering project that the BOCC has requested info on. Solberg stated that he had not heard back from EAPC. Chairman Copenhaver asked the Building Committee to try and get ahold of EAPC so Foster County can start to plan future projects around the courthouse.

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