

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 7th, 2019

At 3:30pm, Chairman Alan Scanson called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner David Utke, Commissioner Scott Beumer, Commissioner Becky Hagel 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 Copenhaver made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16th, 2019 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

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

28269	AUTO VALUE PARTS STORE	12.27
28270	BESSETTE MOTORS, INC.	23,504.00
28271	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	240.00
28272	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	2,111.08
28273	C & J OIL COMPANY	358.13
28274	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	101.48
28275	CENTRAL CITY H20+	13.50
28276	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	2,028.11
28277	CENTRAL PHARMACY	9.91
28278	COMPUTER EXPRESS	189.97
28279	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	249.35
28280	DANIELLE BECKLEY	318.20
28281	DAVID UTKE	129.92
28282	DEERE CREDIT INC	1,862.34
28283	FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS, LTD.	435.00
28284	FARMERS UNION INSURANCE	48,023.00
28285	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	724.43
28286	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	163.98
28287	HENRY SCHEIN	37.95
28288	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	563.75
28289	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	490.04
28290	JUSTIN JOHNSON	588.45
28291	LEAF	81.98
28292	LYDIA OSTER	100.00
28293	MARCO, INC.	371.81
28294	MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION	11.50
28295	MURPHY LAW OFFICE	180.00
28296	NATHAN MONSON	106.42
28297	ND SHERIFF'S & DEPUTIES ASSOCIATION	250.00
28298	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	75.00
28299	NDACS	50.00
28300	NICKOLAS OSTER	245.00
28301	NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO.	2,958.71
28302	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	310.00
28303	OK TIRE STORE	818.56
28304	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY, LLC	495.00
28305	QUALITY INN	1,184.40
28306	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	4,522.93
28307	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	27.01
28308	RICK'S WHOLESALE TIRE INC.	60.00
28309	SHANE JOHNSON	387.41
28310	SOFTWARE INNOVATIONS	800.00
28311	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	4,830.00
28312	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	821.50
28313	THE VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER	1,500.00

28314	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	1,382.50
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Auditor Solberg asked to add a county auction to the agenda. Commissioner Utke made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Commissioner Hagel stated that she wanted to have Ron Weiderholt, NDSU Extension, take a look at the 2nd floor office space for the Extension Office. Hagel also wants to give a Emergency Manager Jess Earle a move date.

States Attorney Kara Brinster stated that she has nothing new to add on county share roads, and she is doing some additional research.

New Business

Road Superintendent Nate Monson stated that Foster County closed the four miles of the Clark/Hart Bridge road. Monson stated that there is a request to put in an approach on 66th Ave NE. It would be on the Wyard side of road between 4th St and 5th St. Monson mentioned that the landowner would pay the entire cost, and that Wyard Township has already approved. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to approve the approach on 66th Ave NE, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Monson stated that the Road Department is on their 2nd blading trip around the county. Monson then mentioned that they have durapatched 143 spots on County Roads. Monson informed the BOCC that the docks on Juanita Lake were put out on April 30th.

Tax Equalization Director Karen Evans gave a Vanguard update. Evans stated that all property cards have been sent over to Vanguard. Evans mentioned that she had to have a new script written in the taxation software to assist Vanguard, and that she would be splitting the bill with Dickey County. Evans told the BOCC that all law enforcement in Foster County has been informed about the vehicles that the appraisers will be driving. Finally, Evans told the BOCC that she plans on doing press releases and radio ads to inform the public about the Vanguard re-assessment.

Auditor Brad Solberg stated that he had been approached by City Auditor Jennifer Gast about starting a Carrington/Foster County Complete County Committee. In the past census, each missed individual cost \$19,000 over the ten years. Solberg then gave an update on the EAPC dewatering project. EAPC will have it ready for a bid opening on June 4th, 2019. Solberg mentioned that he is attending a Professional Development Academy.

Sheriff Justin Johnson stated that he would like to use some money that he received during tobacco compliance buys, towards National Night Out. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to allow Johnson to use up to \$1,000 towards National Night Out, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Utke gave an update from the Building Committee. Utke stated that the Building Committee talked about the Public Health Building Project. The North side of the Public Health Building would be too difficult and expensive to put steel on. Custodian Russ Heidt spoke to each of the utility companies about moving away from that wall and it would cost \$4,000. Utke stated that the Building Committee would like to have steel on the east side, with a new concrete apron, and to paint the north side. Utke then stated that the Building Committee spoke about cleaning up the basement in the Public Health Building. Commissioner Hagel is going to check with Sheriff Johnson to see if anyone that needs community service hours would be able to assist.

Russ Heidt gave the BOCC a list of his summer projects. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to allow Heidt to replace Soffit/Facia on the Sheriff Garage, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The BOCC discussed having a County Auction on August 8th, 2019.

Commissioners Utke and Scanson gave an update about the Juanita Lake Park. Utke stated that he is working on coming up with rules and regulations for the park, along with a list of job duties for the groundskeeper. Utke will bring more information to the BOCC during the next meeting.

With no further business, Chairman Scanson moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:10pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

Alan Scanson, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners