

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 7th, 2020

At 3:30pm, Chairman David Utke called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner Becky Hagel, Commissioner Pat Copenhaver, Commissioner David Utke and Commissioner Scott Beumer. 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 Beumer made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 16th, 2020 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

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

30312	AARON DEVEREAUX	75.48
30313	ALAN SCANSON	85.56
30314	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	315.13
30315	BESSETTE MOTORS, INC.	68.78
30316	BORDER STATES PAVING INC.	4,315.08
30317	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	264.00
30318	BRINSTER LAW, P.C.	137.34
30319	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	44.49
30320	CARROT-TOP INDUSTRIES	41.47
30321	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	102.00
30322	CENTRAL CITY H2O+	13.50
30323	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	172.95
30324	COMPUTER EXPRESS	110.00
30325	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	309.67
30326	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	130.30
30327	DEERE CREDIT INC	5,477.50
30328	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	4,519.14
30329	ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS INC.	75.00
30330	FARMERS UNION INSURANCE	1,197.00
30331	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	1,419.98
30332	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	1,096.55
30333	FOSTER COUNTY WEED BOARD	1,120.00
30334	GALL'S	54.57
30335	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	1,153.97
30336	J.O.B. WELDING & REPAIR	88.00
30337	JUSTIN JOHNSON	13.50
30338	KAREN EVANS	536.52
30339	KAY PARK RECREATION	1,326.00
30340	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	2,560.00
30341	MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL INC.	35.19
30342	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	115.00
30343	NORMONT EQUIPMENT CO.	1,448.53
30344	NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY	80.50
30345	OFFICE DEPOT	199.99
30346	PATRIOT FUELS	289.53
30347	QUILL CORPORATION	137.82
30348	RANDY'S ELECTRIC	215.00
30349	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	476.79
30350	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	922.93
30351	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	100.00
30352	SEACHANGE PRINTING & MARKETING SERVICES, LLC	35.65
30353	SILVER STAR INDUSTRIES	25.00
30354	STONE'S MOBILE RADIO, INC.	604.45
30355	US RECORDS MIDWEST LLC	1,973.19
30356	WILLIAM J GALE	106.38

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

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent provided an update sheet to the BOCC. Monson stated in the sheet that there were no major repairs needed. Monson stated that mowing tops of highways is almost done. Monson then mentioned that the hot mix patch work has been completed on the Barlow Road, the McHenry Road, and part of the Murphy Road. Mike Rivinius from Wold Engineering previously presented 3 options for on Murphy's Road. The 3 options were:

- Leave it gravel until next year
- Blade patch for \$5,000-\$40,000
- Bid out as a paving project for \$115,000

Commissioner Scanson made a motion to blade patch the road and install an 18" culvert on the Murphy Road, seconded by Commissioner Copenhagen. Roll Call vote was had, all voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel presented the changes to the Policy Manual to the BOCC. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve new Policy Manual and have it take effect August 1, 2020, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed. There were a few employees that have over 240 hours of vacation time. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to allow those over the 240 max to bring that down by Jan 1, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Karen Evans, Tax Equalization, presented the members and officers of the Planning and Zoning board. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the member and officers, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed. Evans then presented 3 building permits to the board for approval. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the 3 building permits, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed. Evans finally presented a CUP for Cows and Co Creamery. Commissioner Copenhagen made a motion to approve the CUP, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Wes Miller gave some information on the County Gravel Pit. Miller stated that former Commissioner Carr said that a guy could haul all the gravel out that he wanted as long as he was a taxpayer in Foster County. Commissioner Beumer stated that it is a county asset, and not a resident benefit at this point. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to close the Foster County Gravel Pit until further notice, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Lisa Hilbert, Public Health, requested to have spending limit changed for COVID-19 expenses. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to extend the spending limit to \$2,000 for Public Health for COVID-19 expenses through December 31st, 2020 seconded by Commissioner Hagel. Roll call vote was had, all voted aye and the motion passed.

Justin Johnson, Sheriff, requested to purchase a refurbished computer for one of the patrol vehicles. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to purchase the refurbished computer for \$1,700, seconded by Commissioner Copenhagen. Roll call vote was had, all voted aye and the motion passed.

Solberg had no update on the Cornice Project.

Solberg presented a change order for an additional sump pump for the drain tile project. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the change order for 2,066.31, seconded by Commissioner Copenhagen. Roll call vote was had, all voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Scanson stated that he and Commissioner Utke went out to Juanita Lake Park. It was determined that lights needed to be placed out on the bathrooms for safety reasons. The electrical would cost \$1,200. They also mentioned that people were pulling campers into the play area, so they want to put steel posts every 6ft to prevent that from happening. Commissioner Hagel made a motion to approve the electrical work, steel posts, and signage expenses for Juanita Lake Park, seconded by Commissioner Copenhagen. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Utke stated that he went to an Alkali Lake meeting in June. Discussion occurred; no motions made.

With no further business, Commissioner Utke adjourned the meeting at 6:08pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

David Utke, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners