

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 1st, 2020

At 3:30pm, Chairman 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 Auditor Brad Solberg, States Attorney Kara Brinster, 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 November 17th, 2020 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed. Auditor Solberg stated that Foster County has spent \$3,442,152.29 this year and have taken in \$3,876,033.49. Solberg mentioned that the BOCC just approved to spend \$100,000.00 and still have to finalize paying the two building projects. Solberg mentioned that the BOCC is on pace to break even this year.

30965	CITY OF CARRINGTON	492.84
30966	CASSIE NESS	50.00
30967	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	35.00
30968	GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	343.76
30969	HENRY SCHEIN	604.05
30970	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC.	269.60
30971	MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL INC.	126.60
30972	MDU COMPANY	335.26
30973	MLGC	269.91
30974	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	134.24
30975	SANOFI PASTEUR INC	1,150.93
30976	VERIZON WIRELESS	467.82
30977	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	49.12
30978	AMBER KRUSE	384.00
30979	APPLIED CONCEPTS INC.	599.25
30980	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	127.02
30981	BRINSTER LAW, P.C.	340.29
30982	CENTRAL CITY H2O+	13.50
30983	CMF	3,979.85
30984	COMPUTER EXPRESS	718.93
30985	DAKOTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS EAST	228.00
30986	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	176.55
30987	DATASPEC INC	449.00
30988	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	3,320.59
30989	ERIK SWENSON	25.00
30990	GENERAL ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION	77,468.40
30991	HOPKINS MEDICAL PRODUCTS	38.95
30992	J.O.B. WELDING & REPAIR	473.75
30993	JEROME ZINK	300.00
30994	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	11.13
30995	JUSTIN JOHNSON	490.45
30996	KELLY THOMAS	283.75
30997	LYNELLE R LYMAN HOPPE	114.10
30998	NACVSO	250.00
30999	ND DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	43.79
31000	OFFICE DEPOT	42.97
31001	QUALITY INN	864.00
31002	QUILL CORPORATION	63.75
31003	RACHEL STOKES	283.75
31004	RYAN ZINK	300.00
31005	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	3,498.25
31006	WOLD ENGINEERING, P.C.	467.60

Commissioner Hagel asked to add employee policy manual clarifying statement to the agenda. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Discussion was had on the County Gravel Pit. States Attorney Brinster stated that BOCC has an easement on the gravel pit, not ownership.

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent provided an updated sheet to the BOCC. It explained that there were no major repairs on any equipment. Monson's sheet mentioned that all culverts are in for Site 1, 2, and 3 on the Bordulac Road. It also mentioned that the road crew plans on burning the tree pile at Juanita Lake when there gets to be a bit more moisture.

Sheriff Justin Johnson approached the BOCC about an open position in his office. Johnson stated that Deputy Thomas will be done working on January 20th, 2021. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to start advertising for the open position, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The BOCC went over their goal sheet. Commissioner Utke asked all commissioners to go through the list and add or subtract to get it updated.

Auditor Solberg and Commissioner Utke gave a few ideas on how to make meetings more efficient for the Board. Solberg asked the commissioners if they would like nd.gov email addresses for their work email. Commissioner Hagel thought that would be a good idea, as it keeps work and personal separate. Solberg is looking into a few more ways to make the meetings run more smoothly.

Commissioner Hagel told the BOCC that she would like to update the wording in Sick Leave policy to make it match the practice of Foster County.

With no further business, Commissioner Utke adjourned the meeting at 4:48pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

David Utke, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners