

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 20th, 2021

At 3:30pm, Chairman Hagel called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner Becky Hagel, Commissioner David Utke, Commissioner Copenhaver and Commissioner Scott Beumer. Also present were Auditor Brad Solberg, Road Superintendent Nate Monson, States Attorney Kara Brinster, Citizens Jerry Becker, Mike Gussiaas, Steve Wede, and Jeff Wede 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 April 20th, 2021 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.

31730	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	28.88
31731	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	133.50
31732	AVID HAWK, LLC	55.00
31733	CENEX - FLEET FUELING	145.90
31734	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	735.65
31735	COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,750.00
31736	DAN POLAND MACHINE INC	345.00
31737	ELLEN ROUNDY	182.32
31738	EVANS FUNERAL HOME	380.00
31739	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	234.00
31740	HENRY SCHEIN	246.62
31741	HIGH PLAINS TECHNOLOGY INC.	619.00
31742	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	188.35
31743	J & R DIRT WORKS, LLC	3,654.83
31744	JUSTIN JOHNSON	691.00
31745	LEAF	74.80
31746	LLOYDS MOTORS	82.32
31747	LYNELLE R LYMAN HOPPE	181.02
31748	NATHAN KRUSE	122.50
31749	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	220.00
31750	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATION	300.00
31751	NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE.	10,473.51
31752	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	288.00
31753	OFFICE DEPOT	259.43
31754	PATRIOT FUELS	120.45
31755	PHARMCHEM INC	85.65
31756	PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING COUNCIL	650.00
31757	STREICHER'S - MINNEAPOLIS	109.97
31758	THE PRESS ROOM	138.00
31759	DR. MICHAEL PAGE	45.00
31760	ROLLING PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP	172.00
31761	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR	237.50

Auditor Solberg presented two lost check affidavits. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve both lost check affidavits, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg requested to add Eide Baily to the agenda. Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Discussion was had on the County Gravel Pit. The state of ND will be coming out to do a environmental equality inspection of the site.

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent, mentioned to the BOCC that there has been .29 inches of rain since the last meeting. Monson asked the BOCC what size culvert they wanted to put into the dumpground road. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to get quotes for a 48" culvert on the dumpground road and a 36" culvert on the Merkle road, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Scanson made a motion to put an ad in the newspaper asking for quotes on all culvert install sites, seconded by commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Copenhagen, Estabrook Township representative, asked the BOCC if they had received the quote for the culverts requested for Estabrook Township. Chris Gross of Moore Engineering called in and spoke about the model that was used to determine flow. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to pay for ½ of the culverts Estabrook requested along with \$0 towards installation, seconded by Commissioner Utke. Discussion was had. Commissioner Beumer thought that BOCC should pay for half of install on share roads. Roll call vote was had and all voted no, Motion failed.

Commissioner Scanson made a motion to pay for ½ if the culverts Estabrook requested, minus the County Line, along with ½ of install costs on the two share road crossings, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Copenhagen asked what the BOCC's plan was on the Barlow Road. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to get a quote on the install of a culvert on the Barlow Road, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Karen Evans, Tax Equalization Director, approached the BOCC about two abatements. First being for Cash Biel and the second being for Mike and Shaunette Koenig. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the two abatements seconded by Commissioner Copenhagen. All voted aye and the motion passed. Copies of abatement are located in the Tax Equalization Office.

Evans presented a TIFT from Wyard township for Chase Biel's shop. This would be over 5 years and start in year 1 at 20% of taxes due. Commissioner Utke made a motion to approve the TIFT for Chase Biel, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed. The TIFT information is located in the Tax Equalization Office.

Auditor Solberg presented a contract with Computer Express to take care of the Foster County's IT. The contract is for \$1,200/month. Auditor Solberg stated that they have been using Computer Express since before 2016. Solberg stated that Foster County spent more than the contract price last year. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the contract with Computer Express, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Solberg presented a request to receive an old document from Eide Baily. Commissioner Copenhagen made a motion to give auditor Solberg the ability to request the documents, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Aaron Devereaux, Emergency Manager, presented a Homeland Security Grant Application to the BOCC. Devereaux asked the BOCC if they could apply and ask for First Aid/Trauma Kits, and CPR/AED training for employees. Commissioner Copenhagen made a motion to apply for the grant, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

The City of Carrington appointed Steve Metzger to the re-districting board.

Commissioner Hagel presented a Memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the hospital to the BOCC. This MOU is for working with the hospital to apply for grants for playground equipment. Commissioner Utke made a motion to sign the MOU, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg presented the updated building assessment from EAPC to the BOCC.

The BOCC has decided to move Commission Meetings back to the Commissioner Room starting in May 2021.

Commissioner Hagel stated that she will updated goals spreadsheet.

With no further business, Commissioner Hagel adjourned the meeting at 5:44pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

Becky Hagel, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners