

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

At 10:30 am, Chairman Scanson called the Foster County Commission Special meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Scott Beumer, Commissioner Becky Hagel Commissioner Alan Scanson and Commissioner David Utke. Also present was Auditor Ellen Roundy and States Attorney Kara Brinster.

Foster County Auditor Ellen Roundy presented the final resolution to combine, consolidate and appoint the office of Auditor/Treasurer.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Foster County, a political subdivision of North Dakota has, pursuant to the authority granted generally in NDCC Chapter 11-10.2 it is permissible to re-designate the office of the Foster County Auditor/Treasurer from that of an elected position to that of an appointed position and specifically in §NDCC 11-10.2-02(1) approved the plan to combine the offices of Auditor and Treasurer for Foster County; and

WHEREAS, the analysis of the two offices, and the plan for consolidating and combining the offices, has been carefully reviewed and a determination made by the Board of County Commissioners for Foster County that such consolidation and combination would improve effectiveness and efficiency in fulfilling the statutory obligations assigned to the Auditor and Treasurer of the county;

WHEREAS, at the August 1, 2023, meeting of the Foster County Board of County Commissioners, a motion to approve a preliminary resolution outlining a plan for the re-designation and combination of the Auditor/Treasurer's position to an appointed position was unanimously approved by the Foster County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the plan was published two consecutive weeks within the 30-day period immediately following the adoption of the preliminary resolution; and

WHEREAS, public meetings were held in Carrington to disseminate information, receive suggestions and comments, and to encourage public discussion of the purpose, conclusions, and recommendations of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Foster County Commission recognizes the need to keep qualified, experienced, knowledgeable and technically competent individuals in key county positions;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, effective September 1, 2023, and in accordance with the details of the approved plan, the offices of Foster County Auditor and Foster County Treasurer be consolidated, combined, and appointed.

The resolution was made by Commissioner Hagel and seconded by Commissioner Beumer. Roll call vote included:

- Commissioner Beumer – aye
- Commissioner Hagel – aye
- Commissioner Scanson – aye
- Commissioner Utke – aye

motion passed. Roundy asked for approval to open a part time position for a deputy Auditor/Treasurer. Commissioner Utke motioned to approve the advertising and opening of a part time deputy Auditor/Treasurer, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed. Roundy presented a raffle permit for the Carrington Youth Football group. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the raffle permit, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed. Lastly, there was a two-dollar and fifty cent adjustment to the lease for the JD Tractor that was previously approved. Commissioner Beumer motioned to pay the additional two dollars and fifty cents, seconded by Commissioner Utke. Roll call vote included:

- Commissioner Beumer – aye
- Commissioner Hagel – aye
- Commissioner Scanson – aye
- Commissioner Utke – aye

motion passed.

With no further business, Chairman Scanson adjourned the meeting at 10:36 am.

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Ellen Roundy  
Foster County Auditor

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Alan Scanson, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners