

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 1, 2013**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on July 1, 2013 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Tim Campbell, Jason Heitkamp, Perry Miller and Dan Thompson. Also present were Administration Personnel Bailey and DeVal; and a Daily News Reporter.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Heitkamp to approve the minutes of meetings June 3 and June 17, the Equalization Meeting on June 3 and the Special Meeting on June 5; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

House Fire in Lidgerwood on June 22 - The house was a total loss. The American Red Cross and Salvation Army offered assistance.

Flood 2013 Items - Held a kick-off meeting on June 19th in the LEC. 13 Townships have damages as well as County roads and bridges.

Richland County Dive/Rescue Team - The dive team assisted with an incident in Gwinner on June 20th. A pickup was swept off the road with a driver in it.

Clean-up Kits to Wolverton - Assisted Wilkin County Emergency Management on June 26th in Wolverton. They received 9" of rain in a 4 hour time frame; we provided them approximately 40 clean up kits.

Meeting with FEMA Mitigation Division on Flood Mapping - Lambrecht and Miller met with Barbara Fitzpatrick of FEMA. Rates for flood insurance will be increasing; also discussed the Diversion Area.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Heitkamp to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

SHERIFF LESHOVSKY - K-9 DOG PROGRAM

Insurance paid for the loss of the Department K-9 dog which was hit by a car in February. Midwest Canine Solutions is having a hard time finding dogs. Leshovsky currently owns a yellow lab retriever dog who is an excellent candidate and Leshovsky is willing to utilize his dog for K-9 purposes for Richland County.

Leshovsky presented a Contract defining terms of ownership, usage, financial responsibility and liabilities; which was drawn up with the assistance of State's Attorney McBeth.

A motion was made by Campbell to approve the K-9 Contract with Larry Leshovsky as presented; motion seconded by Miller. Vote was unanimous. (Copy of contract attached to minutes).

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from the City of Hankinson requesting to purchase three properties from Richland County for \$1.00 each. Bailey reported two properties are vacant and one has a building with a structure value of \$16,800. Bailey commented that the rationale for selling to the cities was to save costs on tearing down buildings and he questioned selling two vacant lots. Discussion followed and included - liability concerns and mowing concerns. A motion was made by Heitkamp to approve the sale of three County Properties in Hankinson to the City of Hankinson; motion seconded by Miller. (Vote on the motion was tabled until later in the meeting).

Westin Quinn from Dakota Magic stopped by the meeting to inquire about a Special Event Liquor Permit for the Dakota Magic Golf Course. Quinn reported the State issued the Dakota Magic Liquor License and informed him to check with the County for selling liquor at Special Events on the Golf Course. Discussion followed on the proper procedure for issuing a Special Event Liquor Permit. It was the consensus of the Board that they would have no objection to approving a permit but did need to get some clarification from the State's Attorney before issuing a permit. They informed Quinn the Board would have it approved at the next Board meeting.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Personnel in attendance were Tim Schulte and Lowell Bladow.

Construction Update - Last week was a busy week with 3 out of 4 contractors working on projects.

- Central Specialties finished their patching work on CH# 1. All the areas that were patched together using gravel have been repaired. There is some patching that our crews will finish up this week and the road will be ready for pavement markings.
- Mayo Construction started the micro surfacing project on CH#8. Cargill was great to work with; they shut down the corn receiving at noon on Thursday and didn't take any corn on Friday. The micro was completed by Friday afternoon and the fog seal was wrapped up on Saturday. They will be starting on CH#16 today.
- Morris Seal Coat got started on our chips seals on Thursday. They completed the project on CH#8 and have chipped all the roads north of Wahpeton in the industrial area. They will be fog sealing these roads this week. The remaining chips seals should also be completed before the 4th of July.

Safe Route to School Project in Colfax - The SRTS project for the City of Colfax was bid June 21. The low bidder was Paras Construction with a bid of \$110,677.95. The engineer's estimate was \$147,000 and the federal funds are capped at appx \$157,000. The bid is low enough to allow us to include the construction engineering into the project and get reimbursed 100% federal aid. We have put out a request for proposals for construction engineering as required by FHWA and will accept proposals until July 15.

Other Department Matters - The next regional meeting for HB 1358 funding is scheduled for tomorrow in West Fargo. They are asking for two representatives from each County in the region to attend. Schulte and Heitkamp will attend.

Upcoming Highway Meetings

July 2	HB 1358 Regional Meeting
July 11	Road Advisory
July 11	Five County Meeting

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

- Thank you from Leach Public Library
- Correspondence from NDDOT re- completion of Project BRO-0039(039)
- Correspondence from NDDOT re- improvement on I-29 (11.3 miles)

Bailey distributed correspondence from Zenas Bear Law Office re-Petition of Donald and Cathy Heitkamp to maintain, clean or shape a ditch along a township road.

Miller reported he has made arrangements to tour ComDel for the 5-County meeting scheduled for July 11th. The tour will begin at 2:30 and a catered meal will be served at the Optimist Shelter afterwards.

A motion was made by Berg to approve a Game Site Authorization for the Great Bend Volunteer Firefighters for gaming at Texas Crossing; motion seconded by Heitkamp. Vote was unanimous.

Bailey distributed a nominations form for the NDCCA Standing Committees.

Bailey distributed correspondence from Don Krassin re- Farmers Union Oil of Southern Valley LP Tank located on County Property in Galchutt. It was the consensus of the Board to advertise the Galchutt Shop property as two properties. Schulte was instructed to map out the property and boundary lines.

Vote was taken on the motion tabled earlier in the meeting - to approve the sale of three County Properties in Hankinson to the City of Hankinson. Vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- S 9' Lot 3, Lot 4 and N1/2 Lot 5, Blk 6 Jones
- Lot 12 Blk 3 H & J
- Lot 10, Blk 1 Jones

A motion was made by Miller to approve the payment of bills; motion seconded by Heitkamp. Vote was unanimous.

Bailey reported he checked with several other counties in regard to the Weed Board Secretary Duties - in one County the duties are handled by the Deputy Auditor and in another County they hire an outside person. It was the consensus of the Board to contact the part-time secretary in Extension to see if she may be interested and if not, the position will be advertised.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) Social Service -They continue to be busy.
- B) Buildings & Grounds Committee - John Anderson spoke to the Museum Board about the work done in the LEC to help with water issues.
- C) Public Health Report - No Report.
- D) Job Development Board - No Report.
- E) Weed Board - They continue to be busy with spraying.
- F) Soils Committee - No Report.
- G) Park Board - A meeting is scheduled for July 15th.

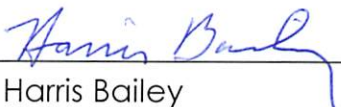
MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

Bailey will be distributing Budget Work Papers to Departments this week.

Thompson reminded the other Board members of the Brainstorming Session for the Centennial Committee at 11:30 today in the LEC Basement.

Being there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 A.M.

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Revenue Voucher for May 1-31, 2013; and Sheriff Department Revenue & Expenses and Civil Balance Sheet for May 2013.

ATTEST: 
Harris Bailey
Auditor/Administrator

 CHAIRPERSON
Dan Thompson
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The following claims were approved for June, 2013.

PAYROLL (inclusive)

General	185,598.37
County Highway	72,137.55
Social Services	77,401.22
911 Communications	39,612.33
County Agent	4,066.95
Veterans Service	3,813.34
Weed Officer	2,902.50
Public Health Fund	66,044.65
County Park	200.00
SEMCA	<u>7,676.01</u>

PAYROLL TOTAL 459,452.92

EXPENSES: ** Refer to resolution records

County General	149,994.91
County Highway	314,487.25
Road & Bridge Eqpt	172,245.92
Social Service	57,490.85
Emergency Assistance	454.19
911 Communications	14,766.43
911 Wireless	3,433.47
County Agent	3,542.65
Veterans Service	1,623.66
Weed Control Levy	10,354.62
Public Health	31,056.65
State Medical Levy	368.65
Garrison Cons.	368.65
Domestic Violence	385.00
Jail Concession	716.91
Sobriety Test Fund	32.00
County Park	404.63
SEMCA	36,180.73
JDA	10.00
Sr Citizens Fund	368.65
Historical Society	92.14
Co Agt Special	689.97
Soil Conservation	368.65
Water Mngt Levy	1,474.58
Joint Water Resource	734.46

EXPENSE TOTAL 801,645.62

TOTAL PAYROLL &

EXPENSES 1,261,098.54

ATTEST:


Harris Bailey
Auditor/Administrator

 CHAIRPERSON
Dan Thompson
Board of Richland County Commissioners

This contract is established between Richland County and Larry Leshovsky to define the terms of ownership, usage, financial responsibilities and liabilities of each party in regards to a K-9 dog.

Larry Leshovsky currently owns a yellow Labrador retriever dog which has been certified as a potential K-9 dog for utilization in drug detection, evidence retrieval and person searches for the Richland County Sheriff's Office.

Larry Leshovsky determined that he is willing to utilize his dog for K-9 purposes for Richland County.

Larry Leshovsky will remain the sole owner of the yellow Labrador retriever.

Larry Leshovsky will train with the dog and be the sole handler for the uses of the Sheriff's Office.

Richland County assumes responsibility for the cost of all training of the K-9 dog which will be with Midwest Canine Alternatives Inc. These costs will be expended out of the current K-9 budget which was already established for the Sheriff's Office.

Richland County assumes all responsibility for the K-9 dog during the time it is used for law enforcement purposes.

This includes liabilities from the usage of the K-9 dog, veterinary bills associated with injuries to the K-9 dog or any other costs associated with the usage of the K-9 dog for law enforcement related activities.


Larry Leshovsky will assume all responsibilities for the dog when it is not being used for law enforcement purposes. This will include liabilities, veterinary bills associated to injuries and any other associated costs from the usage of the dog for his personal purposes.


Richland County and Larry Leshovsky will each share 50% of the costs of the normal maintenance and care of the dog. This includes food and veterinary bills. Richland County's share of these costs will be expended out of the current K-9 budget already established for the Sheriff's Office.

Richland County will maintain an insurance policy on the K-9 dog. In the event the K-9 dog is killed and a monetary amount is paid by insurance, that amount will be paid to Richland County. Richland County will then pay 50% of that amount to Larry Leshovsky.

This agreement remains in effect until either party gives a 30 day written notice to the other party that the agreement is terminated.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2013.


Larry Leshovsky


Richland County Commission Chairperson