

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 6, 2018**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on February 6, 2018 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert and Dan Thompson. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Hage and Oland; Assistant State's Attorney Moen and a Daily News Reporter.

A motion was made by Berg to approve the minutes of meetings January 2 and January 23 (as corrected); motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

- Correspondence from Garrison Diversion re- grant program

A motion was made by Thompson to approve a Gaming Permit Application for the Galchutt American Legion/Oie Wold Leland Post 282; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

Hage reported the County Organizational Chart prepared on July 7, 2004 and currently being used, was never adopted by the Board of Commissioners, the last Organizational Chart adopted by the Board was in 2002. Hage recommended the Board pass a motion approving the July 7, 2004 Organizational Chart. Hage will distribute it to Department Heads for review and it will be reviewed again when the Compensation Study is completed in 2018. A motion was made by Berg to approve the County Organization Chart as presented; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

SANDY FOSSUM – ABATEMENT APPLICATION

Jesse Moch from Pioneer was in attendance.

Dupont Pioneer – Application for a 5 Year 100% property tax exemption for expansion of an existing business project. A motion was made by Campbell to approve a 5 Year 50% exemption, to begin the 2019 tax year; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

The WalMart abatement has been appealed to District Court throughout the state. State's Attorney Kummer is aware of and is working with other State's Attorneys throughout the State. Stark and Richland County have the same attorney handling the issue through NDIRF.

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

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2013 JD Excavator Buyout – Would save \$1565 by buying it out now rather than waiting until October when the lease is up. The excavator has 700 hours on it and is in good shape. A motion was made by Thompson to buyout the 2013 JD Excavator Lease; motion seconded by Berseth. Voting NO was Berg. The remainder Voted Yes and the motion carried.

Job Posting – Advertising for an Equipment Operator in Colfax, the closing date for applications is February 26.

Engineering Contract – Contract with Interstate Engineering for the design engineering for Bridge 39-116-34.1, contract not to exceed \$75,000. Sedler will do the preliminary work. A motion was made by Campbell to approve the Contract with Interstate Engineering for Bridge 39-116-34.1; motion seconded by Thompson. Voting NO was Berg, the remainder Voted Yes and the motion carried.

Misc.

- Plows were sent out this past weekend with the recent storm
- Motor Grader Bids will be opened at the February 20 meeting
- Will prepare and advertise for culvert bids

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) Social Services - No Report.
- B) Buildings & Grounds – Inmates doing damage, are they liable? Assistant State's Attorney Moen will look into this. Discussed what parameters there are for spending Sobriety Funds and Commissary Funds.
- C) Public Health – A Transfer from the General Fund was made at the end of the year; working on getting Grants for funding; Discussed changes to the Individual Septic Systems Policy.

- D) Job Development Board – A meeting is scheduled for February 21 in Great Bend. SVEDA met last week, they are taking applications for the Executive Director Position.
- E) Weed Board - No Report.
- F) Soils Committee – Soils Committee recently met and no changes were made, they want to keep “as is”; they will be meeting again in June.
- G) Park Board – Will be meeting in March.
- H) Administration – Sarah Erickson has accepted the County Treasurer position, she will begin February 20, 2018.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

- The SEMCA budget was discussed. Their total budget is \$226,557.00 – the County budgeted \$54,736 for 2018.
- Sheriff/Jail– Sobriety fund - What can this be spent for? Tri-County Jail – Stutsman/Sargent/Ransom – What is our net gain/loss if we lose inmates? Will ask the Sheriff and Jail to give a status report at the next meeting.
- Thompson reported Extension has put together an Advisory council of 15 members. They met at the Bagg Farm last evening. Extension does much more than Ag, they work with the Health Department and Social Services, Senior Citizens, etc. NDSU is decreasing funding in 2019 that could have a \$10,000 impact at budget time next year.

JILL BREUER – EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM – FCC MOU

Crib board/Siren 2020 project – RFP for February 15th close and award in April or May. ND Radio systems to possibly use VHF; if proceed with VHF and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Richland County and the State of North Dakota through its Information Technology Department this would authorize the use of any radio frequency required for the statewide interoperable radio network. A motion was made by Berg to agree to the MOU; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous. Berseth was absent from vote.

Code Red/Everbridge –At the December 5, 2017 meeting Breuer had requested authorization to contract with Everbridge starting February 1, 2018 and the Board passed a motion approving that request. Since that meeting Breuer has discovered our Contract with Code Red runs through February 22, 2019. Breuer is requesting the Board amend the motion made December 5 by changing the starting date from February 1, 2018 to November 1, 2018. This will give Richland County time to collect data and train. A motion was made by Campbell to amend the motion as requested, changing the starting date from February 1, 2018 to November 1, 2018; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

February

20 Commission Meeting

21 JDA Meeting

March

6 Commission Meeting

19 Park Board

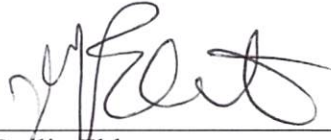
20 Commission Meeting

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:19 A.M.

ATTEST:



Leslie Hage
Auditor/Administrator



Rollie Ehlert
Board of Richland County Commissioners

CHAIRPERSON

The following claims were approved for January, 2018

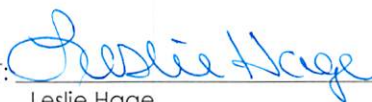
PAYROLL (inclusive)

General	245,136.27
County Highway	79,366.68
Social Services	98,956.54
911 Communications	45,279.50
Drug Court	3,557.01
County Agent	4,977.70
Veterans Service	4,142.67
Weed Officer	400.00
Public Health Fund	82,463.83
SEMCA	10,008.69
PAYROLL TOTAL	574,288.89

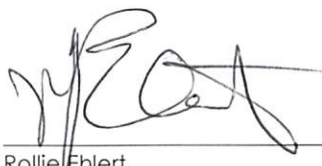
EXPENSES: ** Refer to resolution records

County General	339,921.33
County Highway	80,475.70
Bridge Repl Fund	1,002.01
Road & Bridge Eqpt	117,309.93
Social Service	52,934.47
911 Communications	34,275.97
Drug Court	1,719.54
Special Response Team	47.83
County Agent	2,593.77
Veterans Service	2,185.09
Weed Control Levy	1,382.69
Public Health	33,339.28
State Medical Levy	23,440.98
Garrison Div	23,440.98
Domestic Violence	140.00
Jail Concession	3,302.18
Sobriety Test Fund	1,996.00
SEMCA	3,360.42
ND Income Tax W/H	12,996.11
Sr Citizens Fund	23,440.98
Historical Society	5,860.23
Soil Conservation	23,440.98
Water Mngt Levy	93,764.00
Joint Water Resource	46,881.96
Current Tax W/H	7,086,142.48
EXPENSE TOTAL	8,015,394.91
TOTAL PAYROLL & EXPENSES	8,589,638.80

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