

**COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 6, 2015**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on October 6, 2015 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert, and Dan Thompson. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Bailey and DelVal; States Attorney McBeth and a Daily News Reporter. Visitor DelWayne Hoefts attended a portion of the meeting.

A motion was made by Thompson to approve the minutes of meetings September 1 and September 15; motion seconded by Berseth. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berseth to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing September 16; motion seconded by Ehlert. Vote was unanimous.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Bus Accident by Kindred on CH#1 and ND Hwy 46 - The Kindred School Superintendent handled the situation well in transporting students from the accident. A helicopter was not able to land at the site due to the fog.

Semi/Car accident on CH#10 west of the beet plant on October 3 - There were minor injuries.

Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan - Updating the plan for FEMA approval.

ND National Guard - The local cost share for fire-related assistance may vary. If a declaration is issued prior to an incident, the cost share is 85/15; if a declaration is issued after the fact, the cost share is 75/25.

Burn Ban - There is not a burn ban in Richland County at this time; 25% of the state has burn bans in effect.

FEMA Projects - Continue to do closeouts on large projects.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

MINIMUM SALE PRICE HEARING

No one from the Public was in attendance for the Hearing. Hage distributed a listing of the proposed minimum sale prices. There are six new properties this year and five from prior years. Five of the properties have structures on them.

Working on an eviction for the Fairmount Property; the Wyndmere property has personal property inside - Notices have been sent.

The Tax Sale is scheduled for November 17th at 10:00 A.M. A motion was made by Thompson to approve the Minimum Sale Prices as presented; motion seconded by Ehlert. Vote was unanimous.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

- letter from Wayne & Marilyn Farsdale opposing the 5.2% property tax levy increase (received after the September 16 budget hearing)
- letter from State Tax Commissioner re- State Board of Equalization (Braaten Property)
- letter from State Tax Commissioner re- State Board of Equalization (Swanson Property)

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Personnel in attendance were Lowell Bladow, Ron Hohenstern, Moriah Herding and Damon DeVillers of Interstate Engineering.

Bridge 133-46 - Swingen Construction has moved in and removed the old bridge; the new bridge is scheduled to be delivered next week.

CH#1 & CH#3 Paving Projects - The subcontractor has completed work on the box culvert, guardrail widening, and culverts on CH#3. Mark Sand & Gravel is moving in hot mix plant this week and will patch culvert areas. Will need to think about temporary striping for winter, no chip seal portion this year.

Wahpeton Shop Building - Interior Walls are framed and ready for rough-in.

Seal Coat CH#16 - Has been completed and striped.

Drain #17 Culverts - Culverts have been replaced at two bridge sites in Eagle Twsp.

Other Department Matters discussed

- Meeting with Local Government October 26 at 4:40
- Striping has been done on CH#81, CH#10, CH#2, and CH#87N
- Roof at Hankinson Shop in need of replacing - Bladow will explore options
- 140M Motor Grader - Will not re-advertise at this time
- Bridge 122-8.3 - Berg will follow-up on what the Township would like done
- County involvement with enlarging culverts and raising roads that were existing bridges
- Hydraulic Study Costs - DeVillers is working on a listing of the average costs
- Need to get the locks re-keyed at the new Shop Building

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

FEMA Reimbursement - Duerr and Liberty Grove Townships were advanced money from the County nearly two years ago to assist with FEMA repairs. FEMA will not release funds until the Townships provide the documentation. Bailey reported the County does have the ability to levy against them and they have been sent several reminders. Duerr Twsp recently turned in some documentation; the Board recommended waiting until the next Commission meeting to see what documentation is still needed.

A motion was made by Campbell to accept the resignation of Bev Stone from the Social Service Board; motion seconded by Berseth. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berseth to appoint Wayne Ulven to fulfill the unexpired term of Bev Stone on the Social Service Board; motion seconded by Ehlert. Vote was unanimous.

- Thank you from Warren Stokes Family
- Notice for ND Water Users Water Convention, December 9-10
- Notice from US Dept of the Interior re- Critical Habitat Designation

Commissioner Campbell exited the meeting at this time.

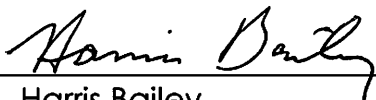
A motion was made by Berseth to approve the payment of bills; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) Social Service - Two vacancies are being advertised in the Social Service Department.
- B) Buildings & Grounds Committee - The garage floor of the LEC is being sealed. Some trees were removed west of the Courthouse.
- C) Public Health - The Community Prevention Coordinator position has been filled. The Health Board is scheduled to meet next week.
- D) Job Development Board - The next meeting is scheduled for October 21.
- E) Weed Board - No Report.
- F) Soils Committee - No Report.
- G) Park Board - No Report.
- H) Administration - No Report.

Being there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Department - Revenue Voucher for August, 2015.

ATTEST: 
Harris Bailey
Auditor/Administrator

 CHAIRPERSON
Sid Berg
Board of Richland County Commissioners

The following claims were approved for September, 2015.

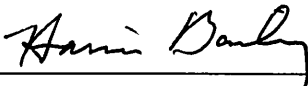
PAYROLL (inclusive)	
General	199,816.63
County Highway	72,571.49
Social Services	85,019.02
911 Communications	47,995.00
Drug Court	1,485.08
County Agent	4,470.62
Veterans Service	2,579.20
Weed Officer	2,480.00
Public Health Fund	63,723.50
County Park	200.00
JDA	855.00
SEMCA	9,116.06
PAYROLL TOTAL	490,311.60

EXPENSES: ** Refer to
resolution records

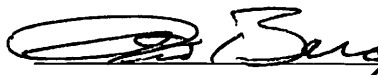
County General	219,968.68
County Highway	71,092.01
Bridge Repl Fund	21,096.78
Road & Bridge	10,284.30
Social Service	62,522.39
Emergency Assistance	155.60
911 Communications	17,617.41
911 Wireless	2,039.34
NDRIN	600.00
Capital Improvement	389,091.50
Drug Court Fund	1,173.01
Water Rescue	1,499.00
County Agent	3,705.78
Veterans Service	1,313.87
Weed Control Levy	3,464.71
Public Health	52,099.73
State Medical Levy	109.76
Garrison Div	109.76
Domestic Violence	630.00
Jail Concession	1,341.88
Sobriety Test Fund	1,295.00
County Park	95.78
SEMCA	1,906.86
JDA	9,772.32
Sr Citizens Fund	109.76
Historical Society	27.43
County Agent Special	1,062.49
Soil Conservation	109.76
Water Mngt Levy	438.89
Joint Water Resource	219.46
EXPENSE TOTAL	874,953.26

**TOTAL PAYROLL &
EXPENSES** **1,365,264.86**

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