

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 6, 2021**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on July 6, 2021 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert and Perry Miller. Commissioner Nathan Berseth was absent. Others present were Administration Personnel Fossum and DelVal; State's Attorney Kummer, Daily News Reporter Tris Anderson, and Rich Slagle of Moore Engineering.

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to approve the Agenda. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Ehlert and seconded by Miller to approve the Minutes of meetings June 1, June 15 and the County Equalization Meeting June 1. Vote was unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

KAYLA CARLSON - COVID UPDATE

- there are currently no active cases in Richland County
- 58.1% of those over 18 have received their first dose
- 56.2% are up to date on vaccination
- the partnership with ND Dept of Health for Vaccine Clinics at Walmart wraps up this week

In other business, Carlson reported the Health Department has received two Cancer Grants for \$10,000 each.

SHERIFF LSHOVSKY - FILLING VACANT POSITION

Leshovsky introduced Melissa Neitzke to the Board, she has been hired as the Chief Corrections Deputy; Neitzke formerly held the Administrative Assistant position in the Sheriff Department. Leshovsky requested authorization to advertise the Vacant Administrative Assistant Position in the Sheriff Department. A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to advertise the vacant Administrative Assistant Position in the Sheriff Department. Vote was unanimous.

Leshovsky reported two jailers have recently resigned so they are currently down three positions in the jail; Leshovsky had previously received authorization from the Board to advertise and fill one vacant position but is now requesting authorization to fill the other two vacant positions. A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to advertise the two additional vacant positions in the Jail. Vote was unanimous.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Personnel in attendance was Engineer Sedler.

Fossum presented information from United Lease and Finance and Lincoln State Bank for leasing Highway Equipment.

Following review of the lease options a motion was made by Ehlert and seconded by Berg to proceed with Lease Payment Example # 1 - a 7 year lease with the deposit used as the first payment for Trucks, Chassis and plow equipment and Lease Payment Example # 6 - a 7 year lease for blades and a wheel loader. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to authorize the Portfolio Commissioners as the authorized signatures for the lease paperwork. The motion and second were withdrawn.

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to authorize the Auditor and the Chairman of the Board as the authorized signatures for the lease paperwork. Vote was unanimous.

Equipment Operator - Sedler reported the Highway Dept is currently down three employees, Sedler would like to hire one employee now and another employee next spring. Sedler requested authorization to advertise for one of the equipment operator positions now. A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Ehlert to authorize advertising for an Equipment Operator. Vote was unanimous.

Bridges - A Bridge in LaMars Twsp was closed; will need to deal with one in Mooreton Twsp also.

Rock Crushing - Starts today.

Commissioner Miller reported he was contacted by Bruce Miller regarding a culvert project. Bruce Miller has some funds and in-kind work and trucks lined up. Sedler cautioned the Board about proceeding with this request and how it might create additional in-kind project requests; Sedler also had concerns with FEMA Mapping and possibly jurisdiction issues with the proposed culvert project. The Highway Portfolio committee will discuss further.

Shop Bid Opening - The bid opening has been rescheduled to July 15th.

(CR2 Project - See later in meeting)

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Ehlert to approve a Raffle Permit Application for Richland County 4-H. Vote was unanimous.

- invitation from Minn-Dak to informational meeting
- thank you from RSR Human Service Zone Staff
- correspondence from Ulteig re- structure replacement project

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) Social Services - No Report.
- B) Buildings & Grounds - Received an extension for the Boiler Grant.
- C) Public Health - The Commission received a Covid update from Carlson earlier in the meeting.
- D) JDA - No report.
- E) Weed Board - No report. Miller will follow-up on spraying.
- F) Soils Committee - No report.
- G) Park Board - The next meeting is scheduled for July 19.
- H) Administration - Fossum and Erickson attended the Auditors/Treasurers Conference last week in Grand Forks.

Campbell reported he visited with Mechelle Olsen in HR about being present at Commission Meetings when HR items are being discussed.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued

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

Sedler requested a motion approving Construction Engineering Services for the Co Rd 2 Project. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Berg to proceed with Interstate Engineering for Construction Engineering Services for the Co Rd 2 Project. Vote was unanimous.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

July

- 15 5-County Meeting
- 19 Park Board Meeting
- 20 Rural Round Table
- 20 Commission Meeting/Budget Meetings
- 21 Budget Meetings

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:16 A.M.

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Department Revenue Voucher May 1-31, 2021.
Sheriff Department - Revenue and Expenses for May 2021.

ATTEST: Sandy Fossum _____ CHAIRPERSON
Sandy Fossum Tim Campbell
Auditor/Administrator Board of Richland County Commissioners

The following claims were approved for June, 2021.

PAYROLL (inclusive)

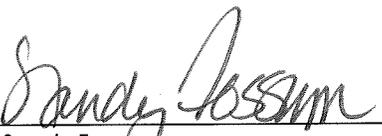
General	259,005.63
County Highway	91,477.73
911 Communications	50,226.80
County Agent	5,480.52
Veterans Service	7,858.94
Weed Officer	670.00
Public Health Fund	85,845.02
Income Maintenance	44,227.46
Foster Care	16,679.70
Child Protective Svc	31,298.09
Parent Aid	3,352.70
Family Soc Worker	9,280.72
Social Services	10,668.00
In-Home Care	18,540.01
Admin Support	11,176.94
HSZ Board	500.00
PAYROLL TOTAL	646,288.26

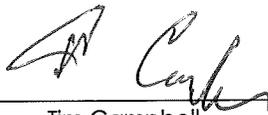
EXPENSES: ** Refer to
resolution records

County General	200,818.31
County Highway	146,343.53
Bridge Repl Fund	2,295.00
Road & Bridge	303,666.77
15 Mill	21,898.00
Emergency Assistance	210.00
911 Communications	25,243.67
NDRIN	1,639.98
Cap Improvement Fd	280,367.82
Special Resp Team	20.00
County Agent	4,743.95
Veterans Service	4,820.24
Weed Control Levy	47,424.43
Public Health	73,955.76
Income Maintenance	16,970.95
Foster Care	3,826.00
Child Protective Svc	9,984.74
Parent Aid	2,763.03
Family Soc Worker	4,426.00
Social Services	3,199.40
In-Home Care	11,405.94
Admin Support	4,757.06
HSZ Board	242.79
Safety Permanency Fd	911.93
Unallow Fed Costs	123.58

State Medical Levy	631.47
Garrison Div	1,624.29
Domestic Violence	175.00
Jail Concession	206.15
Sobriety Test Fund	1,135.00
SEMCA	535.21
Sr Citizen Fund	1,624.29
Historical Society	406.08
Co Agent Special	386.80
Soil Cons District	1,529.31
Water Mngt Levy	4,905.87
Joint Water Resource	2,436.45
EXPENSE TOTAL	1,187,654.80

TOTAL PAYROLL & EXPENSES	1,833,943.06
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 Sandy Fossum
 Auditor/Administrator

 CHAIRPERSON
 Tim Campbell
 Board of Richland County Commissioners