RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 20, 2019

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on August 20, 2019 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehler and Dan Thompson. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Hage and DelVal; State’s Attorney Kummer and a Daily News Reporter.

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Campbell to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried with all voting ‘aye’.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
Highway Personnel in attendance were Engineer Sedler, Ron Hohenstern and Moriah Herding.

Load Pass Permit System - Janet Sanford and Brent Bargar gave a presentation of the Load Pass Permit System. Load Pass Permits is a uniform system for permitting of overweight and oversized loads on roadways. Benefits to the county are reduced phone calls/office traffic and increased revenues for road maintenance; there is also a Road Status Communication System using text and e-mail notifications. 26 Counties currently use this on-line system. The initial set up fee is $1500, including training, with annual dues between $500 and $2000, depending on the number of permits sold.

The Commission asked questions about customizing the fee scheduled for Harvest Permits in our region. Sanford replied the fee schedule could be discussed by the Load Pass Advisory Committee.

A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Campbell to implement the Load Pass Permit System effective January 1, 2020. Voting NO was Berg, the remainder Voted Yes and the motion carried.

Bridge 39-119-34.1 - All piling has been driven, both South substructures will be poured tomorrow and beams will be cast at the end of next week.

Chip Seal Projects - Plan to start on August 21 or 22.

Drain Tile - Plan to start on August 26.

Misc - Installed new cross pipe on CR10 (Schmidt’s Rd); will be a gravel crossing until next summer when we pave.
MISC/CORRESPONDENCE
A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Berg to approve a Temporary Liquor License for Prante’s for an event September 9, 2019. Vote was unanimous.

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

- Minimum Sale Price packets will be distributed at the September 17 meeting and the Minimum Sale Price Hearing is scheduled for October 15.

- Hage distributed the Annual Audit for the year ending December 31, 2018.

- The Water Board will be asked to attend the September 3 Commission Meeting to discuss their budget and levy amounts.

- The Budget Hearing is scheduled for 8:00 AM on September 17.

- The Dept of Emergency Services has rescheduled a walk-through of the facilities for the Court Facilities Grant to August 26.

- The Landscaping Project has started - the sidewalks will be poured this week and the Patriot Riders will be placing a Monument on the Courthouse property.

- Hage stated vehicles for the Sheriff Dept were discussed at a previous Commission Meeting but no decision was made by the Commission on whether to budget for two or three vehicles. The consensus of the Commission was two vehicles should be included in the 2020 budget for the Sheriff Dept.

- The County Bidding Policy was briefly discussed, a reminder of this policy will be on the Agenda for the next Department Head Meeting.
UPCOMING MEETINGS

August
26  Walk-through for Court Facilities Grant

September
3    Commission Meeting
3    Department Head Meeting
16   Park Board Meeting
17   Commission Meeting
17   Budget Hearing 8:00 AM

October
1    Commission Meeting (moved to Oct 2 due to election training)
2    Commission Meeting
6-8  NDACo Annual Meeting
15   Commission Meeting
15   Minimum Sale Price Hearing
17   5-County Meeting

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 A.M.

ATTEST:  Leslie Hage
         Auditor/Administrator

         Danny D. Thompson
         Board of Richland County Commissioners

CHAIRPERSON