

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
JANUARY 2, 2018**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on January 2, 2018 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Rollie Ehler and Dan Thompson. Commissioner Tim Campbell was absent. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Bailey and Hage; State's Attorney Kummer; and a Daily News Reporter.

A motion was made by Thompson to approve the minutes of Regular Meetings December 5 and December 19; Special Meetings December 7 (as corrected) and December 8; and Executive Sessions December 5, December 7 (as corrected) and December 8, 2017; motion seconded by Berseth. Vote was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

A motion was made by Thompson to approve the list of Depositories for Richland County as presented; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

**MISC/CORRESPONDENCE**

A motion was made by Thompson to approve the Sale of two County properties in Lidgerwood to the City of Lidgerwood; motion seconded by Berseth. Vote was unanimous.

RFP for Vendor for Classification and Compensation Study - HR has received RFP's from three vendors. A motion was made by Thompson to form a Committee consisting of the Auditor, the State's Attorney, Commissioner Ehler and Commissioner Thompson along with HR to review the RFP's; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Position - Will advertise in-house and externally as soon as possible with a closing date of January 17<sup>th</sup>. Will plan to conduct interviews on January 22. Commissioner Ehler will sit it on the interviews.

## **HIGHWAY REPORT**

LP Bids - Bids were opened at the December 19 meeting and have been tabulated; the recommendation is to award to Farmers Union of the Southern Valley for \$1.26. A motion was made by Berg to award the bid for LP to Farmers Union of the Southern Valley; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

16<sup>th</sup> Ave Mill & Overlay - The City of Wahpeton plans to mill and overlay 16<sup>th</sup> Ave from the RR tracks to the 210 Bypass. We would mill and overlay the intersection of County 10N and 16<sup>th</sup> Ave to improve intersection safety and transition into the RR crossing. NDDOT and Southern Valley would replace the RR crossing with a concrete pad and update crossing signals.

It would be a 90/10 cost share with the NDDOT; we would split the 10% match with the City of Wahpeton. The 5% match would be approximately \$10,000. The estimated total County share of the project is \$46,000.

A motion was made by Berseth to enter into a Cost Participation Agreement with the City of Wahpeton; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

### Other Department Matters

- the next Advisory Meeting will be February 15
- will work on plans and specs for maintenance paving for an April bid opening

## **MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued**

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

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A) Social Services - The SE Human Service Center Advisory Board will meet on January 10.

B) Buildings & Grounds - Water will be shut off to both the LEC and Courthouse on January 15 for repair work, offices are closed that day for Martin Luther King Jr Day.

C) Public Health - Muriel Hedrick has retired as the Community Resource Coordinator.

D) Job Development Board - The next meeting is January 17<sup>th</sup> in Lidgerwood.

E) Weed Board - Must levy three mills to get funding from the state; we did not get the funding this year.

F) Soils Committee - Typically meet in January or February.

G) Park Board - No Report.

H) Administration - No Report.

**MISC/CORRESPONDENCE continued**

- Applications are being taken until January 12 for the additional Assessors Position
- The County Christmas Party has been rescheduled for January 18

Berg reported that Breuer has informed him she is still under contract with Code Red for one more year - at the December 5 meeting she had presented a proposal to the Board from Everbridge for automated weather, community engagement and IPAWS and the Board approved the proposal. Berg will follow-up with Breuer after the meeting.


**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

January

- 4 5-County Meeting in LaMoure 4:00 P.M.
- 10 SE Human Services Advisory Meeting
- 17 JDA Meeting
- 18 Christmas Party
- 23 Commission Meeting

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Dept - Revenue Voucher for November 1-30, 2017; and Sheriff's Department - Revenue & Expenses for November, 2017.

ATTEST:   
Leslie Hage  
Auditor/Administrator

 CHAIRPERSON  
Rollie Ehlert  
Board of Richland County Commissioners

The following claims were approved for December, 2017

PAYROLL (inclusive)	
General	233,649.17
County Highway	80,807.09
Social Services	98,004.66
911 Communications	46,346.19
Drug Court	3,193.01
County Agent	4,974.98
Veterans Service	3,943.34
Weed Officer	625.00
Public Health Fund	79,571.46
SEMCA	9,722.70
JDA	405.00
<b>PAYROLL TOTAL</b>	<b>561,242.60</b>

EXPENSES: ** Refer to resolution records	
County General	196,417.31
County Highway	106,708.68
Bridge Repl Fund	67,849.30
15 Mill	74,953.57
Social Service	60,838.62
Em Assistance Donation	1,725.00
911 Communications	27,225.24
Drug Court	653.17
Special Response Team	163.76
County Agent	4,313.23
Veterans Service	2,195.23
Weed Control Levy	46,450.04
Public Health	40,582.26
State Medical Levy	260.78
3 Rivers Crisis Center	897.00
FEMA Dis Reimb	65,219.97
Garrison Div	260.78
Domestic Violence	140.00
Jail Concession	1,873.73
Sobriety Test Fund	2,219.64
SEMCA	2,046.20
JDA	8,752.01
Sr Citizens Fund	260.78
Historical Society	65.15
County Agent Special	290.79
Soil Conservation	260.88
Water Mngt Levy	1,043.40
Joint Water Resource	521.74
Est Real Estate Tax	-27.24
<b>EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>714,161.02</b>
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL &amp; EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,275,403.62</b>

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