

Richland County Board of Commissioners

April 16, 2019

The Richland County board of Commissioners met on April 16, 2019, at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Rollie Ehlert, Dan Thompson and Tim Campbell. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Hage and Oland; State's Attorney Kummer and a Daily News Reporter.

Motion by Berseth, 2nd by Berg to approve amended agenda. Inclusion of Brett Lambrecht, Emergency Management, at 8:05am. Vote was unanimous.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

- Richland County Wildlife Club requested a Permit for a Gun Board for May 4, 2019. Motion by Campbell, 2nd by Berg. Vote was unanimous.
- Ted Mauch, Black Pelican, Wyndmere ND, requested a Permit for a Temporary Liquor License at Bagg Farm, May 11 & 12, 2019. Motion by Berg, 2nd by Ehlert. Vote was unanimous, pending receipt of township approval.
- Public Notice US Army Corp of Engineers. Migration of Wetlands Public Comment Period April 8, 2019 - May 7, 2019.
- NDRIN Notification - withdrawal from NDRIN by McKenzie, Mountrail and Williams Counties. Will not affect other member counties. Info only.
- Letter from Dakota Estates, Curt Brownlee, in support of work Mary Vetter, Veteran's Service Officer, is doing with residents of Dakota Estates and Lidgerwood City.

Emergency Management

Report of flood progress. Ice jam on the Sheyenne River. Didn't have time to get 3 quotes for the project due to the extent of the floodwater. Water is still coming thru the Wild Rice. Four residences are still evacuated due to high water. Lambrecht feels State will meet threshold for FEMA funding. Stated that we are following North Dakota Century Code for procurement, per state recommendation.

Motion by Berg, 2nd by Campbell to amend time Highway Department appears on agenda to 8:15am. Vote was unanimous.

Highway Department

- Bituminous Overlay County Rd 1 CP-0001(019)
 - Bid awarded to Knife River for low bid of \$942,167.50.
 - Motion by Berseth, 2nd by Ehlert. Vote was Unanimous.
- Bituminous Seal Coat County Rd 4 & 81 CP-0004(019)
 - Bid awarded to Astech Corp for low bid of \$353,297.84.
 - Motion by Berg, 2nd by Ehlert. Vote was Unanimous.
- NDDOT Certification
 - Chairman Thompson signed "Certificate for Local Match" for Bridge #123-24.3.
- Assessing flood damages and will be starting repairs today, April 16, 2019.
- Richland County received letter of retirement from Lowell Bladow.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE - continued

-Discussion on joining class action lawsuit for Opioid crisis. State Attorney Kummer will reach out to other counties. Will wait for more information.

-Hage reported on 5 County Meeting.

Social Service Reform - Lyle Bopp (Sargent Co) gave update on April 3rd meeting in Valley City with Terry Traynor (NDACo).
19 zones; 15 member board - 1 must be County Commissioner.
Zone agreements don't have to be the same for all zones.
100% funded by State.

Made commissioners aware that there will be a Host County and Host States Attorney within each zone.

Pre-Tax Statements - Resolution will be drawn up by committee appointed at the 5 County Meeting, to be submitted to NDACo, to remove this process due to time/money it takes and statements not accurate due to changes in values after State Equalization.

Next meeting July 11, 2019, LaMoure County.

-\$12 million has been budgeted by State for election machines. Discussion by Commissioners on changes to Richland County election. Will see where the state goes on this.

-Prairie Dog bill. State added additional bucket in front of counties.

-SIRN 2020. Senate approved bill and put \$40 million back in for counties. Sent back to house for reconsideration.

-Weather emergency - Possible townships may receive one-time payment of \$5,000 according to a legislator on the radio. No appropriation passed yet.

Upcoming Meetings

April

16 Township Officers

May

7 Commission Meeting

7 Department Head

13 Legislative Wrap-up

21 Commission Meeting

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:57 A.M.

ATTEST:



Leslie Hage
Auditor/Administrator



CHAIRPERSON
Danny D. Thompson
Board of Richland County Commissioners