

RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 16, 2019

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on July 16, 2019 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert 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 Berseth and seconded by Berg to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried with all voting 'aye'.

BRETT LAMBRECHT & JOSH BETO - FEMA UPDATE & DIVE TEAM

FEMA Applicant Briefing for 2019 - A meeting is scheduled for July 18 in Valley City to learn of FEMA changes; Township meetings will be held following that.

EMPG 2019 Grant - Submitted the 2019 EMPG Grant. This grant covers 50% of the Emergency Management Budget.

Dive Team Equipment - The Dive Team is looking into the purchase of equipment -

- a Humminbird HELIX 10 Chirp Mega GPS Finder System- the device will give a clear image using sonar Helix 9 (side scan imaging). Lambrecht reported the estimated cost is \$1499 and Tier 2 Funds are available.

- Traffic Safety Vests and Auto Inflator Life Jackets. Beto will look into the possibility of grant funds for this equipment.

KRISTEN HASBARGEN - SOCIAL SERVICE REDESIGN

Hasbargen reported in January the Commission authorized her to hire a Temporary full-time Social Worker for six months to assist with the child welfare workload; Hasbargen requested authorization to extend this temporary position for four additional months. A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Berg to approve the request to extend the temporary position four additional months. Vote was unanimous.

Hasbargen requested the Commissioners attend a Social Service Redesign meeting August 6 at 1:00 p.m. in Milnor to formalize zone board membership and decisions about a fiscal host for the proposed zone. Commissioners from Ransom and Sargent Counties have also been invited to this meeting.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Personnel in attendance were Engineer Sedler and Ron Hohenstern.

Bridge 39-116-34.1 - The contractor is on-site and has started clearing and grubbing; they will start removing the old structure today.

Paving Projects -

- Co Rd 4 has been paved; starting to fill in approaches with gravel. Permanent pavement marking will be done in about three weeks, fog oil needs to cure before epoxy paint can be placed.
- Co Rd 1 Paving started on July 15, anticipate it to be completed by the end of this week.

Load Pass Permits - Load Pass representatives will be scheduled for the August 20 Commission Meeting to give a presentation and answer questions.

Mooreton Pond - Berg reported the Park Board is requesting additional gravel. Sedler replied the Highway Department could provide the gravel but not the manpower, Sedler suggested the Park Board hire Skovholt's.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Berseth to approve Temporary Liquor Licenses for The Black Pelican for an event at the Crooked Lane Farm July 17 and the Aber Rodeo Grounds August 3-4. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Campbell to approve a Resolution authorizing participation in a Complete Count Committee for the 2020 Census. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Ehlert to appoint Arnie Althoff to the Richland County JDA Board. Vote was unanimous.

Mark Jean has applied for appointment to the Richland County JDA Board to represent the Township Officers Association; Berseth suggested tabling a decision on the Twsp Officers position until after the Fall Township Officers meeting.

Hage reported Richland County is scheduled to host the next 5-County meeting scheduled for October 17. Membership dues are going to increase \$100, the increase was approved at the last 5-County meeting.

LAKE AGASSIZ BUDGET REQUEST

Amber Metz from Lake Agassiz requested a \$1,700 increase in their Budget. She has done research and the past two years they have been operating in the red. They received an increase approximately 3-5 years ago but prior to that it was close to 20 years. A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Ehlert to approve a .1 mill increase. Vote was unanimous.

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.

ATTEST:   CHAIRPERSON
Leslie Hage
Auditor/Administrator Danny D. Thompson
Board of Richland County Commissioners