RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 16, 2022

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on August 16, 2022 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert and Perry Miller. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Fossum and DelVal; State's Attorney Kummer; and a Daily News Reporter.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Ehlert to <u>approve the Agenda</u>. Vote was unanimous.

JEN KLOSTREICH - NRCS-CD GRANT UPDATE

Klostreich updated the Commission on the 319 grant, Phase VI, and the prior 319 grants. The County has been a co-sponsor of the grant since the beginning. A report of the grant accomplishments as well as the cost share, producer match and in-kind was distributed to the Commission.

MINIMUM SALE PRICE HEARING

Mayor Jon Nelk from Fairmount was in attendance.

Treasurer Erickson distributed a listing of properties with the proposed minimum sale prices which include the back taxes and the estimated taxes as previously recommended by the Commission. Erickson reported the cities have been notified of the proposed prices and of today's hearing.

Fairmount Mayor Nelk voiced concerns with the proposed price (\$1,907.73) for the property in Fairmount and requested it be increased to \$20,000. His concern was that the property would sell at that price and not get fixed up. He explained the property is in disrepair and is on the City's main Street. He asked if the County would take down the building.

Berseth replied he could not support a 100% County demo. He suggested the city purchase the property and the County and City cost share in the demo. He encouraged Nelk to discuss this with the City Council and to come back to the Commission with a proposal for the property.

Following discussion a motion was made by Miller and seconded by Berg to set the minimum sale prices as follows. Vote was unanimous.

Fairmount Property - 112 Main Ave \$20,000.00

Wahpeton Properties -

90 Dakota Ave \$8,122.61 221 3rd Ave S \$2,391.18 804 2nd Ave N \$14,090.06

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Engineer Sedler gave a brief update on the following:

- Helendale Drain a 16" pipe is through CR 2; estimates have been received to bore a 48" pipe through CR 23 in the amount of \$229,000 and to open cut an estimate of \$82,000. Sedler will follow-up with Leedahl's and the contractor
- Received confirmation that DOT has approved two bridges that should be
 100% funded one in Eagle Twsp and the Brandenburg Bridge
- Shop Update They are working on framing the doors; a construction meeting is scheduled for tomorrow
- Harvest Permits Need to be discussed as pre-harvest starts soon. Berseth recommended this item be place on a future meeting agenda
- Highway Superintendent position closes this week
- Co Rd 10/City Drain 1 two new pipes need to be installed at the intersection of 87, may need to close the road for 2-3 days

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

- Correspondence from ND Environmental Quality re- permit for Waste Management of Wahpeton
- Correspondence from U.S. Forest Service re- proposed utility line project
- Request from Lynn Flieth, RSR Director re- RSR Board appointment

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Miller to approve a <u>Raffle Permit for Richland County 4H</u>. Vote was unanimous.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

<u>September</u>

- 6 Commission Meeting
- 7 Suicide Prevention Event in Hankinson
- 12 Park Board Meeting
- 20 Commission Meeting

<u>October</u>

- 2-4 NDACo Convention
- 4 Housing Authority
- 5 Commission Meeting
- 18 Commission Meeting

November

- 1 Commission Meeting
- 8 Election
- 15 Commission Meeting
- 21 County Canvassing
- 22 Township Officers Fall Meeting

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:20 A.M.

ATTEST:

Sandy Fossum

Auditor/Administrator

Nothan Berseth

Board of Richland County Commissioners

CHAIRPERSON