

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OCTOBER 6, 2022**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on October 6, 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 DeVal; Assistant State's Attorney Moen, a Daily News Reporter and visitor Terry Goerger.

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

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Ehlert to approve the Minutes of meetings September 6 and September 20. Vote was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Miller to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote was unanimous.

**MINIMUM SALE PRICE HEARING**

A motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Miller to approve the Minimum Sale Prices as adjusted. Vote was unanimous.  
(Copy attached to minutes).

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Engineer Sedler gave a brief update on Highway Projects and the new shop progress.

Sedler reported 92 Harvest Permits have been sold to date.

Sedler reported the Road Foreman Position is closed for now, the position is still vacant. Sedler requested adding an Assistant Foreman position, he is working with HR on this position which will be submitted to Gallagher for classification.

Berg reported receiving requests for speed limit signage at Christine. Sedler reported he was also contacted. The Board recommended Sedler check into the cost for lighted Speed Signs for that area.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A) Social Services - The vacant position has been filled and three more additional employees have been hired, they will be assisting with Cass County.
- B) Buildings & Grounds - A dedication for the new monument will be held next spring.
- C) Public Health - The Director of Nursing Position has been filled; the Health Department has three new employees.
- D) JDA - 3 businesses were approved at the last meeting. Legislatively they may look at a name change to Economic Development.  
SVEDA - Several contractors are interested in building 50-60 homes.

Miller asked Asst State's Attorney Moen to look at the Requirements for a City Building Inspector, and their authority to condemn homes; there are issues with homes in several communities. Berseth suggested that those communities with issues contract with the County at the District Level to take individuals to Court.

E) Weed Board - Will meet in November.

F) Soils Committee - No Report.

G) Park Board - Discussed having additional signage at Mooreton Pond.

H) Administration - Preparing for election; Bold Print is working on a bulk mailer. The Freedom Resource Group visited all the Vote Centers recently and made several recommendations.

## **MISC/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Correspondence from Wahpeton Police Department re- gratitude for Deputy O'Hara's assistance with a missing child

A motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Miller to approve an electric line easement with Ottertail Power Company. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Berseth to approve the payment of bills. Vote was unanimous.

October

- 6 5 County Meeting in Ellendale
- 18 Commission Meeting
- 18 Housing Authority
- 31 Public Test of Election Equipment

November

- 1 Commission Meeting
- 8 Election Day
- 15 Commission Meeting
- 21 Canvas of Election
- 22 Township Officers Meeting

December

- 6 Commission Meeting/Board Re-organization
- 20 Commission Meeting

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:35A.M.

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Dept - Revenue Voucher for September 2022.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sandy Fossum  
Auditor/Administrator

\_\_\_\_\_ CHAIRPERSON  
Nathan Berseth  
Board of Richland County Commissioners

The following claims were approved for September 2022.

PAYROLL (inclusive)

General	\$	250,279.26
County Highway	\$	89,884.81
911 Communications	\$	50,121.49
County Agent	\$	6,442.07
Veterans Service	\$	8,188.28
Weed Officer	\$	2,200.00
Public Health Fund	\$	78,665.78
Income Maintenance	\$	44,697.60
Foster Care	\$	18,116.78
Child Protective Svc	\$	26,103.10
Parent Aid	\$	3,200.70
Family Soc Worker	\$	4,650.00
Social Services	\$	49,280.02
In-Home Care	\$	21,380.46
Admin Support	\$	11,992.90
HSZ Board	\$	350.00
JDA	\$	450.00
PAYROLL TOTAL	\$	666,003.25

EXPENSES: \*\* Refer to resolution records

County General	\$	198,747.12
County Highway	\$	2,380,821.83
Bridge Replacement	\$	12,747.92
Road & Bridge	\$	-
15 Mill Road	\$	-
Emergency Assistance Donation	\$	167.99
Emergency Fund	\$	-
911 Communications	\$	31,865.48
NDRIN	\$	306.82
Capitol Improvement	\$	-
Water Rescue	\$	250.00
Special Response Team	\$	-
K9 Dog Donations	\$	-
County Agent	\$	1,776.16
Veterans Service	\$	3,837.12
Veteran Assistance Donation	\$	-
Weed Control Levy	\$	18,557.26
Public Health	\$	62,884.26
Haz Chem Fund	\$	-
Income Maintenance	\$	15,389.43

Adult Services	\$	-
Foster Care	\$	4,535.51
Child Protective Svc	\$	11,047.23
Parent Aid	\$	1,779.07
Family Soc Worker	\$	1,839.55
Social Services	\$	14,872.94
In-Home Care	\$	12,860.57
Admin Support	\$	5,408.95
HSZ Board	\$	71.25
Safety Permanency Fd	\$	753.57
Unallow Fed Costs	\$	30.00
General Assistance	\$	-
State Medical Levy	\$	250.60
Three Rivers Crisis Center	\$	-
FEMA Disaster Reimbursement	\$	-
Garrison Div	\$	250.60
Domestic Violence	\$	630.00
Twsp Share Gas & Oil	\$	-
TeleComm Tax Fund	\$	-
State Aid Distribution	\$	15,452.20
Jail Concession	\$	701.74
Sobriety Test Fund	\$	2,250.00
SEMCA	\$	1,159.55
County General Accounts	\$	40,004.93
JDA	\$	-
Diversion Settlement	\$	7,507.25
ND Income Tax W/H	\$	-
Sr Citizen Fund	\$	758.16
Historical Society	\$	187.34
Co Agent Special	\$	125.00
Soil Cons District	\$	237.33
Water Mngt Levy	\$	2,489.89
Joint Water Resource	\$	375.89
EXPENSE TOTAL	\$	2,852,930.51

TOTAL PAYROLL & EXPENSES \$ 3,518,933.76

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