

**RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
NOVEMBER 1, 2022**

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on November 1, 2022 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, and Rollie Ehlert. Commissioner Perry Miller joined by Speaker Phone. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Fossum and DelVal; State's Attorney Kummer, a Daily News Reporter and visitor Terry Goerger.

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

A motion was made by Berg and seconded by Campbell to approve the Minutes of meetings October 6, October 18 and the Special Meeting October 19. Vote was unanimous.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

**VETERAN'S SERVICE REPORT**

Mary Vetter distributed a report to the Commission of office activities. Vetter reported the need for volunteer drivers for the transportation van, she also continues to work on storage options for the van for the winter months.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Brett Lambrecht presented a Richland County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Commission. A motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Ehlert to adopt the Richland County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented. Vote was unanimous.

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Engineer Sedler and Ron Hohenstern were present.

Sedler gave a brief update on Highway Dept activities including the following:

- 96 Harvest Permits have been sold this year
- Helendale Drain Project is 90% complete; CR 2 needs some touch up work
- Salt and Sand are in and the trucks are equipped/getting plows ready
- Finishing up mowing this week
- Shop Progress
- FEMA

A motion was made by Ehlert and seconded by Berg to approve the Bridge Certification of Local Match for Project BRC-BRS-0099(014). Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Ehlert and seconded by Miller to approve an Assistant Road Foreman Position. Voting NO was Campbell, the remainder voted Yes and the motion carried.

Sedler requested authorization for Interstate Engineering to survey CR 16. The Board had no objections.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A) Social Services - Keep absorbing more workers - eligible to take on more as case loads warrant it.

B) Buildings & Grounds - Comstock and the Architect Firm did a walk through for the HVAC Project.

C) Public Health - U.S. Representative Kelly Armstrong visited Wahpeton on October 28 and met with Public Health Director Kayla Carlson, county health department employees and county Commissioner Tim Campbell for a talk on healthcare.

D) JPA will be meeting with the contractor today who is building the new homes; Justin Neppl is looking at the Dakota Estate Project and options.

JDA - Working on several grants.

E) Weed Board - Miller will visit with Ginsbach about regular reporting.

F) Soils Committee - No report.

G) Park Board - No report.

**MISC/CORRESPONDENCE**

Health Director Carlson introduced Lindsey Bommersbach to the Commission. Bommersbach is the recently hired Tobacco Coordinator for Richland County.

- Correspondence from Attorney Mark Meyer re- CO2 Pipeline in Richland County. The Commission recommended the correspondence be given to State's Attorney Kummer
- Correspondence from US Dept of Ag/Forest Service/Grasslands re- electronic delivery of project notifications

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

Being there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15A.M.

Reports Filed: Sheriff Department - Revenue and Expenses for September 2022.

ATTEST: Sandy Fossum                      Nathan Berseth CHAIRPERSON  
Sandy Fossum                                      Nathan Berseth  
Auditor/Administrator                              Board of Richland County Commissioners

The following claims were approved for October 2022.

PAYROLL (inclusive)

General	\$	254,178.42
County Highway	\$	78,252.96
911 Communications	\$	48,087.33
County Agent	\$	6,281.14
Veterans Service	\$	8,188.28
Weed Officer	\$	2,280.00
Public Health Fund	\$	97,840.43
Income Maintenance	\$	54,758.83
Foster Care	\$	19,950.18
Child Protective Svc	\$	26,053.10
Parent Aid	\$	3,200.70
Family Soc Worker	\$	4,650.00
Social Services	\$	54,513.97
In-Home Care	\$	21,180.96
Admin Support	\$	11,898.40
HSZ Board	\$	350.00
JDA	\$	-
PAYROLL TOTAL	\$	691,664.70

EXPENSES: \*\* Refer to resolution records

County General	\$	224,721.73
County Highway	\$	572,694.88
Bridge Replacement	\$	120,702.74
Road & Bridge	\$	-
15 Mill Road	\$	-
Emergency Assistance Donation	\$	-
Emergency Fund	\$	-
911 Communications	\$	33,989.82
NDRIN	\$	-
Capitol Improvement	\$	-
Water Rescue	\$	-
Special Response Team	\$	11.98
K9 Dog Donations	\$	-
County Agent	\$	13,594.36
Veterans Service	\$	3,778.47
Veteran Assistance Donation	\$	-
Weed Control Levy	\$	41,547.35
Public Health	\$	41,877.55
Haz Chem Fund	\$	-
Income Maintenance	\$	23,070.00
Adult Services	\$	-
Foster Care	\$	4,834.08
Child Protective Svc	\$	9,252.42
Parent Aid	\$	1,746.61

Family Soc Worker	\$	1,815.04
Social Services	\$	19,600.62
In-Home Care	\$	12,952.67
Admin Support	\$	6,288.46
HSZ Board	\$	83.75
Safety Permanency Fd	\$	405.66
Unallow Fed Costs	\$	22.69
General Assistance	\$	2,500.00
State Medical Levy	\$	562.07
Three Rivers Crisis Center	\$	-
FEMA Disaster Reimbursement	\$	11,780.16
Garrison Div	\$	562.07
Domestic Violence	\$	280.00
Twsp Share Gas & Oil	\$	-
TeleComm Tax Fund	\$	-
State Aid Distribution	\$	19,769.74
Jail Concession	\$	1,943.46
Sobriety Test Fund	\$	2,352.00
SEMCA	\$	473.74
County General Accounts	\$	-
JDA	\$	-
Diversion Settlement	\$	9,415.50
ND Income Tax W/H	\$	17,431.92
Sr Citizen Fund	\$	1,211.45
Historical Society	\$	299.98
Co Agent Special	\$	1,552.48
Soil Cons District	\$	537.92
Water Mngt Levy	\$	3,925.14
Joint Water Resource	\$	843.08
EXPENSE TOTAL	\$	1,208,431.59
 TOTAL PAYROLL & EXPENSES	\$	 1,900,096.29

ATTEST:   
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Auditor/Administrator

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