

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Friday, January 17, 2020 at 2:30 pm.

Chairman Olson opened the meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Olson took roll call and present were Commissioners Wakefield, Pedersen-absent, Urness, Steffen, and Olson. Also present were Custodian Pfeifer, State's Attorney Tenneson, Treasurer Eslinger, Sheriff Straight, and DES Hanson by phone.

Chairman Olson opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Motion by Steffen to accept the agenda as presented with the addition of NDSU Extension, second by Urness and called for discussion three times with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to accept the January 3rd meeting minutes. There was discussion on the minutes as presented. Motion by Steffen to approve the January 3rd minutes as amended and dispense with the reading, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discussion of bills. Motion by Steffen to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Ness Plumbing Inc, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Urness-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

10409-10429	Payroll	28633.61
26114	James Anderson	100.40
26115	Arrowwood Prairie Coop	870.09
26116	Bin City Bulk	1213.38
26117	Brager Disposal Service	1663.20
26118	DNA Mobility	929.00
26119	H.E. Everson Co	58.24
26120	Griggs County	14.57
26121	Griggs County	150.19
26122	Griggs County Telephone Co	1047.69
26123	Hexagon Safety Infrastructure	1011.15
26124	Information Technology Department	42.00
26125	Inter Community Tel Co	150.00
26126	Dennis Kubischta	448.40
26127	Lake Region Law Enforcement Center	55.93
26128	Matthew Bender and Co Inc	134.31
26129	Napa Auto Parts	25.98
26130	Nat Assoc of County Engineer	200.00
26131	NDACE	150.00
26132	ND Attorney General	310.00
26133	NDACO	215.00
26134	ND County Recorder Assn	200.00
26135	NDLTAP UGPTI	150.00
26136	NDDOT	1263.33
26137	ND State Radio MDT	120.00
26138	NDSU	120.00
26139	New Century Press	156.81
26140	Office Experts	108.74
26141	Onsolve	1000.00
26142	Ottertail Power Co	132.44

26143	Reiten Inc.	79.72
26144	Sanford Health	16.50
26145	Chi St Alexius Medical Center	250.00
26146	Stutsman County Correctional	840.00
26147	Tyler Technologies Inc	750.00
26148	Billi Warcken	100.00

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Treasurer Eslinger to discuss the Interest & Collections Statistics & Pledge of Assets. The Commission reviewed the information.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien. There was discussion on the Bridge Inspection and Load Rating Service Agreement that was presented. Motion by Steffen to sign the Bridge Inspection and Load Rating Service Agreement as presented, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Urness-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried. There was discussion on if the County can contracting road services out instead of the Road Department doing it. The Commission has asked State’s Attorney Tenneson to look into the process.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Sheriff Straight to discuss the Sheriff Department Vehicle. There was discussion on the information that was provided. Motion by Urness to purchase the 2020 Dodge Durango from Christian Chrysler, move forward with the equipment, and put out for bids on the current pickup, second by Steffen. There was continued discussion on the vehicle. Chairman Olson called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-nay, Urness-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss Tax Director. There was discussion on Farm Exemption Applications. There was also discussion on the duties of the Tax Director and if the Commission would like Treasurer Eslinger to continue to help with these. There was also discussion on the Sales Ratio Study that Eslinger is not comfortable performing. The Commission will discuss this issue at a later date.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss the Local Match Letter from DES Hanson. DES Hanson joined the meeting by phone to discuss the letter as presented. Motion by Steffen to approve the Local Match Letter, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Urness-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss old courthouse/new courthouse. There was discussion on the NDIRF letter regarding the agent for State Fire & Tornado. Motion by Urness to approve Bank Forward to be our Agent, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss NDSU Extension Agent information that was presented. Commissioner Olson had communication with NDSU regarding the information and forwarded the information to the other Commissioners. Commissioner Steffen read an email that he received regarding the Extension Agent as well.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to future business.

Motion by Steffen to adjourn meeting at 3:31pm and meet again in regular session on February 7th, 2020 at 2:30 pm, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson
Auditor

Troy Olson
Chairman