

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, January 30, 2014, at 1 pm.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the meeting and everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Troy Olson took roll call and present were Commissioners Shawn Steffen, Ron Dahl, Dale Pedersen, and Troy Olson. Commissioner John Wakefield was absent. Also present were Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Wayne Oien, Treasurer Connie Eslinger, States Attorney Jayme Tenneson, Citizens Doug Beglau, Marcia Beglau, Sheridan Erickson, Gretchen Kottke, Loren Alfson, Dennis Halvorson, Orville Tranby, etc.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the floor for discussion on any changes to the agenda. There was discussion on taking the Existing Courthouse off the agenda. Motion by Shawn Steffen to approve the agenda as amended, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times with all ayes, no nays and carried.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the floor for discussion on January 24, 2014 minutes. Troy changed the last sentence in the first paragraph below the minutes to read "and wages certified as Davis-Bacon compliant." Motion by Shawn Steffen to dispense with the reading and to approve the January 24, 2014 minutes as amended, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times, all ayes, no nays and carried. Chairman Olson opened the floor for discussion on January 29, 2014 special meeting minutes. Motion by Shawn Steffen to dispense with the reading and to approve the January 29, 2014 special meeting minutes as presented, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times with all ayes, no nays and carried.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the floor for discussion on the bills presented. Motion by Ron Dahl to remove the Construction Engineers and Kraft Architect bills, second by Shawn Steffen and called three times with roll call vote: Dale Pedersen-aye, Ron Dahl-aye, Shawn Steffen-aye, Troy Olson-aye and carried. Motion by Shawn Steffen to approve the following bills as amended, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times with roll call vote: Dale Pedersen-aye, Ron Dahl-aye, Shawn Steffen-aye, Troy Olson-aye and carried.

17613	Aberdeen Finance Corporation	351.98
17614	Avesis	183.54
17615	Cardmember Services	869.54
17616	Colonial Life Insurance	963.33
17617	Griggs County	16,928.25
17618	Griggs County	12,814.43
17619	Healthplan Services, Inc.	1,144.96
17620	NDACO	210.00
17621	NDCVSOA	50.00
17622	ND Game and Fish Dept	5,296.00
17623	ND Public Employees Retirement	9.47
17624	ND State Radio-(MDT)	3,652.74
17625	New Century Press	393.52
17626	NDPEA	100.21
17627	Stutsman County Auditor	233.00
17628	Janet Tenneson	25.76
17629	Jayne Tenneson	279.60
17630	Verizon Wireless	535.46
6052-85	Payroll	32,355.47
17631	Griggs County	49.73
17632	Griggs County	26.87

Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Wayne Oien reported on several incidents with vehicles and an employee who cut off part of a finger in the past week. After discussion of the ND Department of Transportation Construction & Maintenance Agreement for 2 chip seal projects at Red Willow and west of Binford, Ron Dahl moved to approve & sign the agreement, second by Shawn Steffen and called three times with roll call vote: Dale Pedersen-aye, Ron Dahl-aye, Shawn Steffen-aye, Troy Olson-aye and carried. The Sutton project was discussed and Loren Alfson, engineer, gave his recommendation to use concrete box culverts. He thought the Water Board and the Road Department could handle this project. Loren Alfson also mentioned that the Water Board has the authority to go in and clean out the natural streams if some landowners are not on board with the project. Wayne said there is a meeting on Feb. 12 between himself and the Water Board to decide on this project. Wayne had attended the NDACE meeting in Fargo last week.

Chairman Troy Olson announced that Connie MacKenzie had completed separating the zoning records from the State's Attorney's records and has turned in her final bill. Shawn Steffen moved to approve payment of \$325 to Connie MacKenzie, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times with roll call vote: Dale Pedersen-aye, Ron Dahl-aye, Shawn Steffen-aye, Troy Olson-aye and carried.

Chairman Troy Olson brought up the payroll question regarding approval by the Commission. An Attorney General's opinion was found which agreed with the Board's assumption that they did not have to approve each payroll before it was done.

Chairman Troy Olson asked SA Jayme Tenneson to look into zoning rules to see if the townships should receive a letter from the county about our new rules, who changes the state website, and whether there is anything else we need to do since our Zoning Regulations have changed. SA Tenneson will find out how Nelson County handles zoning regulations.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the floor on the New Courthouse. Both the County and the Building Authority signed the contract. The feeling was that both entities should sign Change Orders. There was discussion about the contract being split up and whether it was illegal as it reads. They would like the State's Attorney to look into the legality of the contract before the next meeting. Ron Dahl moved to table the Change Orders until the next meeting, second by Shawn Steffen and called three times, all ayes, no nays and carried.

Discussion was held on the public meeting Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. and that the Commission meeting should begin at 5 p.m. that day.

Chairman Troy Olson asked about the submittal of the first information to the DES for the EOC Grant. Treasurer Connie Eslinger was included in discussion and it was decided the first submittal will be ready for Commission approval at the Feb. 7 meeting. If there will be a construction meeting on Thursday, Feb. 6, Treasurer Eslinger will make sure the Commissioners are invited. Citizen Gretchen Kottke asked for clarification on the payment process for the project and Chairman Olson answered her.

Chairman Troy Olson opened the floor on the county audit. Ron Dahl has been trying to talk with Eide Baily about doing a 2013 forensic audit. He will put it on the agenda as soon as he knows something. There was also some discussion on what a pre-audit was and when it would be done if it was needed.

Motion by Shawn Steffen to adjourn meeting at 2:24 pm and meet again in regular sessions on Friday, February 7, 2014, at 1 pm & Friday, February 21, 2014, at 5 pm and 7 pm, second by Dale Pedersen and called three times with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Cynthia M. Anton
Auditor

Troy Olson
Chairman