

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Friday, January 5, 2018 at 1:00 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, Urness-absent, Steffen, and Olson. Also present were Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, KLJ Loegering, Treasurer Eslinger, State’s Attorney Tenneson, Hanson Heartland Consulting, Sheriff Straight, IT Palm, RDO Sahr, RDO Mahler, RDO Erenstein.

Chairman Olson opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Tax Forfeited Property was added to the agenda. Motion by Steffen to accept the agenda as amended, second by Pedersen and called for discussion three times with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to accept the December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Motion by Steffen to approve the December 22<sup>nd</sup> minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Pedersen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried. Motion by Steffen to approve the December 28<sup>th</sup> minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Pedersen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Auditor Larson took over the meeting and asked for nominations for chairman. Motion by Wakefield to nominate Commissioner Olson for Chairman, second by Steffen. Motion by Wakefield to cease nominations, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Pedersen-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried. Chairman Olson took over the meeting and asked for nomination for Vice-Chairman. Motion by Wakefield to nominate Commissioner Urness for vice-chairman. Motion by Wakefield to cease nominations, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Pedersen-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried. Motion by Wakefield to keep the board appointments the same as in 2017, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried. The Boards are as follows:

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Boards</b>
Troy Olson	Social Services, Weed, Housing, and JDA
Shawn Steffen	Social Services, Fair, Weed, EDC, South Central Human Services, and JDA
Mark Urness	Library, Weed, South Central Dakota Regional, and South Central Community Action Region VI
Dale Pedersen	Water Board, Weed, Soil, and Road
John Wakefield	Weed, Senior Citizens, Soil, and Road

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discussion with bills. Motion by Wakefield to approve the bills as presented with the deletion of the ND Association of Counties, ND County Commissioners Association, and NACO bills, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Pedersen-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

9146-9177	Payroll	27883.01
23533	Ameritas	122.70
23534	Colonial Life Ins.	254.04
23535	Griggs County	15300.27

23536	Griggs County	11569.58
23545	Brager Disposal Service	1512.00
23546	Butler Machinery	32.81
23547	Cardmember Services	374.55
23548	City of Cooperstown	337.07
23549	Cooperstown True Value	23.22
23550	HE Everson Co.	18.53
23551	Garrison Conservancy District	54.07
23552	Governsoft	12683.00
23553	Great America Financial Services	149.10
23554	Griggs County Telephone Co.	1651.48
23555	Griggs County Treasurer	1345782.75
23556	Hanson's Electric	217.82
23557	ITD	516.75
23558	Inter Community Telephone Co.	150.00
23559	Miller Fresh Food	33.69
23560	Mocic	100.00
23561	Napa Auto Parts	30.67
23562	NDACO	13022.47
23563	ND State Radio	120.00
23564	NDSU Ag Communication	80.00
23565	OtterTail Power Co.	1882.46
23566	Jerry Rahlf	200.00
23567	Reiten Inc.	83.85
23568	State Treasurer	2392.77
23569	TJ's Electronics	14350.00
23570	Bakkegard & Schell	568.90
23571	Verizon Wireless	878.54
23572-23577	CWB	7295.37
23578-23606	Townships/Cities	230006.12
23607-23612	Schools	565964.18
23613	Community Medical Center Hospital District	540.76
23614	Cooperstown Ambulance	87.89
23615	Griggs County Council on the Aging	108.15
23616	Griggs County Fair Board	26.11
23617	Griggs County Historical Society	13.52
23618	Griggs County Library	200.52
23619	Griggs County Soil Conservation	59.92
23620	Nelson-Griggs Public Health District	90.60

Motion by Steffen to approve the bill resolution for 2018 as stated below, second by Pedersen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

*RESOLUTION FOR BILLS*

*WHEREAS, THE County having certain bills to pay the date presented for collections,*

*WHEREAS, the State Examiner's office had requested that the Commissioners of Griggs County authorize the County Auditor to pay said bills*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorize the County Auditor to pay postage, envelopes, freight, express, light, water, telephone, license fees, and post office box rent by Auditors' check warrants, the date presented for payment.*

Chairman Olson opened the floor to review Monthly Office Reports. Motion by Steffen to accept the monthly office reports, second by Pedersen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, KLJ Loegering, and RDO Sahr, Mahler, and Erenstein. There was discussion on the Construction Engineering on the Dahl Bridge. Motion by Wakefield to have Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien move forward with the process of getting the bridge funded with federal money, second by Pedersen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried. There was continued discussion on the Dahl bridge construction. There was discussion on Road Graders with RDO.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Treasurer Eslinger to discuss the Pledge of Assets and Interest Stats. The Commission reviewed the Pledge of Assets and Interest Stats. Motion by Wakefield to allow the Treasurer to deposit County funds with Bank Forward, Citizens State Bank and First United Bank, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Pedersen-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Derek Hanson to discuss Heartland Consulting Group regarding DES Services. Mr. Hanson reported on what Heartland Consulting Group does and what the plan would look like for Griggs County as per the budget. Motion by Wakefield to enter into contract with Heartland for DES services, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Pedersen-aye, Steffen-aye, Olson-aye, and carried.

Motion by Wakefield to take a 10 minutes recess, second by Steffen and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Olson reconvened the meeting and opened the floor to Sheriff Straight to discuss the Barnes County Jail. Sheriff Straight reported about the issues with the Barnes County Jail and if the County would like to discuss building a joint rehabilitation center.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to IT Palm to discuss Server Room Cooling. There was discussion on the options on cooling the server room.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss Tax Forfeited Property. Auditor Larson reported that the City of Cooperstown took the remaining property that was deeded to the City of Cooperstown at the County Tax Sale due to delinquent taxes.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss Insurance on New Courthouse. Chairman Olson reported on the status of the State Fire and Tornado.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss the Water Board. There was discussion on the status of the records of the water board and on finding another board member.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss the County Weed Board Officer Resignation Letter. The Commission would like Extension Vig on the next agenda to discuss the issue.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss the DES. There was discussion on Robert's old phone number that he took with him when he retired and quit as DES.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. No discussion.

Chairman Olson opened the floor to discuss future business. The Commission would like to discuss Employee Manual.

Motion by Pedersen to adjourn meeting at 3:42 pm and meet again in regular session on January 19, 2018 at 1 pm, second by Wakefield and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson  
Auditor

Troy Olson  
Chairman