

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, February 9, 2023 at 2:30 pm.

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

Chairman Wakefield took roll call and present were Commissioners Averill-present by zoom, Tranby-absent, Zorn, Edland, and Wakefield. Also present was Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, Sheriff Hook, Treasurer Eli, KLJ Bjornson, and Citizen Edland.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Motion by Edland to accept the agenda as presented, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to accept the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Motion by Edland to approve the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as amended and dispense with the reading, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss bills. Motion by Edland to approve the bills as presented, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Edland-aye, Zorn-aye, Wakefield-aye and carried.

11859-11883	Payroll	63,637.88
29557	Cooperstown Hardware	167.27
29558	DNA Mobility	17444.40
29559	EMC Insurance	888.51
29560	H E Everson	267.71
29561	Governsoft	13583.00
29562	Griggs Telephone Co	1469.62
29563	Griggs County Treasurer	880299.91
29564	Hometown Service	254.05
29565	Inter Community Tel Co	150.00
29566	Napa Auto	25.90
29567	NDACE	150.00
29568	NDACO	127.40
29569	ND County Auditors Association	100.00
29570	ND 911	25.00
29571	New Century Press	197.49
29572	Otter Tail Power	2257.20
29573	Quill	139.89
29574	State Treasurer	5002.95
29575	Tritech Software	1148.66
29576	Christian Chrysler	140.36
29577	Verizon	327.19

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Monthly Office Reports. Motion by Edland to approve the monthly office reports as presented, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien. RS/911C Oien reported on future road projects, Prairie Dog Funds, and an update on the Ackerman-Esvold situation. There was further discussion on the Ackerman-Esvold situation and what the County would like to go forward.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to Sheriff Hook to discuss the Barnes County Correction Contract. Motion by Zorn to authorize Sheriff Hook to sign the Barnes County Correction Contract on the Counties behalf, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to State's Attorney Tenneson to discuss the Clerk of Court Office SB 2277. There was discussion on the State taking over the Clerk of Court Office and if the County would like to send a letter or make a resolution in opposition of the situation.

Chairman Wakefield reopened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien to discuss the Contracts that were presented. Motion by Zorn to sign the Bridge Inspections as presented, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Zorn-aye, Edland-aye, Wakefield-aye, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Farmstead Credit Applications. There was discussion on the duties and how the County is going to handle these going forward.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Tax Director. There was discussion on the issue.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the 2023 Regular Commission Meeting Schedule. There was discussion on the issue and if the Commission is able to amend their regular meeting schedule for 2023.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. No discussion was held

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss future business. The Commission will discuss the Farmstead Credit Applications at the next meeting.

Motion by Edland to adjourn meeting at 4:21 pm and meet again in regular session on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30 pm, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson  
Auditor

John Wakefield  
Chairman