

July 22, 2021

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30 pm.

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

Chairman Pedersen took roll call and present were Commissioners Wakefield, Tranby, Urness, Edland, and Pedersen. Also present was Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, Treasurer Eslinger, Clerk of Court/Recorder Vincent, Sheriff Michaelis, Estension Agent Stachler, Water Board Member Lukes, Griggs County Courier Larson, Veterans Service Officer Kubischta, and State's Attorney Tenneson.

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

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to accept the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Motion by Urness to approve the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried

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

11167-11187	Payroll	26475.46
27730	Acquisign LLC	300.00
27731	Bin City Bulk	1500.48
27732	Cardmember Service	67.60
27733	City of Binford	55.00
27734	Cooper Collision	250.00
27735	DNA Mobility Inc	856.10
27736	Griggs County	629.98
27737	Griggs County	403.82
27738	Griggs County Telephone Co	1119.42
27739	Hometown Service Center	66.53
27740	Information Technology Dept	561.80
27741	Leading Edge Equipment	7996.00
27742	ND State Radio MDT	180.00
27743	New Century Press	157.90
27744	Ottertail Power Co	34.35

Motion by Edland to recess regular meeting and move into County Tax Equalization, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Pedersen reconvened County Tax Equalization and opened the floor for discussion. There was discussion on the results from the Sales Ratio Study. Motion by Urness to raise residential to 90.5%, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with four ayes, on nays, and carried. Motion by Urness to recess the County Tax Equalization meeting and move back into regular meeting, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Pedersen reconvened the meeting and opened the floor to discuss the Sheriff's Vehicle. There was discussion on the information that was provided. The issue will be discussed at the next meeting.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to discuss the Tax Abatement. Motion by Wakefield to approve the

Tax Abatement for Parcel 22-4004-05390-000, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to discuss the Wellness Benefit Application. Motion by Eldnad to approve the expense of \$125 to the RC Cooper, second by Wakefield and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Tranby-aye, Urness-aye, Edland-aye, Pedersen-aye, and carried.

Chairman Pedersen to reopen the floor to discuss the Red Willow Event. Motion by Wakefield to approve the special Event Permit for August 4<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> for One More Bar for the Fund Raiser Even for Red Willow Youth Recreation, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with alla yes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to discuss the 2022 Budget. There was discussion on the county employee salary increase. Motion by Urness to approve the 1.5% raise on top of the 1.3% COLA increase, second by Edland and called for discussion. There was discussion on the Sheriff's Office Salary. The Commission would like to have department heads redo their request for review at the next meeting. There Commission reviewed the Water Boards budget with Board Member Luken and the overall budget that was presented. Motion by Urness to reduce the Water Board preliminary Budget omitting Upper Shyanne and the Upper Shyanne Meeting line items and approve the budget, second by Wakefield and called three times for discussion with roll call: Wakefield-aye, Tranby-aye, Urness-aye, Edland-aye, Pedersen-aye, and carried. Motion by Wakefield to reduce the County Agents travel budget to \$3,000 and approve the budget, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Wakefield-aye, Tranby-aye, Urness-aye, Edland-aye, Pedersen-aye, and carried. The Commission will meet in special session on Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm to continue to discuss the 2022 Budget.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to discuss Old Courthouse/New Courthouse.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to discuss future business.

Chairman Pedersen opened the floor to attend Deputy Johnson's Promotional Ceremony. Sheriff Michaelis presented Deputy Johnson with a certificate and promoted Deputy Johnson to Chief Deputy.

Motion by Tranby to adjourn meeting at 5:56 pm and meet again in special session on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm and regular session on August 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm, second by Urness and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson  
Auditor

Dale Pedersen  
Chairman