

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, September 7, 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, Tranby, Zorn, Edland-absent, and Wakefield. Also present was Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, KLJ Bjornson, State's Attorney Tenneson

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Motion by Tranby to add the Finely Famers Elevator Appraisal to the agenda, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried. Motion by Tranby to accept the agenda as amended, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to accept the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Motion by Averill to approve the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

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

12212-12235	Payroll	42,475.52
30463	Aramark	175.63
30464	Central Business	33.50
30465	Christian Chrysler	87.75
30466	City of Cooperstown	201.39
30467	Cooperstown Hardware	68.96
30468	DNA Mobility	855.90
30469	Eversons	11.31
30470	Gilbertsons	2061.00
30471	Great America Financial	79.00
30472	Griggs Co	0.00
30473	Griggs Co	266.09
30474	Griggs Co	548.17
30475	Griggs Co	775.00
30476	GC Telephone	1472.54
30477	ICTC	150.00
30478	John Deere Financial	876.11
30479	Lenora Township Flood	22449.18
30480	Matthew Bender Co	47.43
30481	Miller Fresh Food	33.95
30482	NDACo	1848.17
30483	ND State Radio	9775.68
30484	Office Experts	385.00
30485	ONIX Network	4590.00
30486	Otter Tail	1044.67
30487	RDO Equipment	1526.99
30488	State Treasurer	1073.88
30489	Verizon	654.38

30490-30511	Cities/Townships	13272.16
30512-30514	Schools	6872.29
30515-30530	Other Entities	4388.89

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Monthly Office Reports. The Commission Reviewed the report.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien and KLJ Bjornson. There was discussion on the County Road 19 Chip Seal project and the annual meeting with NDDOT in October. There was also discussion on the 911 Joint Powers Agreement. Motion by Tranby to table to issue until further information can be gathered, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried. There was discussion on County Road 8 and what the County would like to do going forward.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the NDACo Annual Conference. There was discussion on Deputy Dewald attending the Conference.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Road Department/Courthouse Open House. Commissioner Tranby will continue to work on this.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. The gutter estimate that was presented was reviewed and discussed and the Commission would like an itemized estimate.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Finley Farmers Elevator Appraisal. There was discussion on the issue and what the process is going forward. Motion by Zorn to allow Commissioner Tranby to contact Crown Appraisals and set up a meeting, second Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Motion by Tranby to take a 5-minute recess, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to Sheriff Hook. There was discussion on the State Radios for the Sheriff's office, Vehicles for the department, and staffing issues. Motion by Tranby to advertise the 2013 Ford Explorer, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried. The Commission would like Sheriff Hook to gather further information on the State Radios, Contracts for the City of Cooperstown and Griggs County Central and Staffing in the office.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss future business. The Commission will discuss the Finley Farmers Elevator Appraisal, Sheriff's Office, County Road 8, Sales Ratio Study, and County Audits.

Motion by Tranby to adjourn meeting at 4:28 pm and meet again in regular session on September 21st at 2:30 pm, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson  
Auditor

John Wakefield  
Chairman