

Official Proceedings

December 1, 2015
8:00 am

Chairman Hoff called the meeting of the Stark County Board of Commissioners to order. All members present.

Agenda

Chairman Hoff asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda. Chairman Hoff added Craig Kubas. There were no other additions.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander

To approve the agenda as presented with the additions.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Minutes

The minutes of the November 3, 2015 Board of County Commissioners meeting were presented.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To approve the minutes of the November 3, 2015 Board of County Commission minutes as presented.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Accounts Payable

Chairman Hoff questioned an invoice from LoAnn's Marketing. Sheriff Oestreich advised this was for handout materials for schools. There was also a question on the Usable Life Insurance and ND Public Employee charges. Ms. Haag advised if these charges were deducted from an employee's paycheck and the employee leaves employment, these charges are reimbursed.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To approve the accounts payable with the supplement as presented and pay for the storage containers out of Capital Improvements.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Ms. Haag presented a bill for KLJ for a Planning and Zoning review. Commissioner Zander advised that we should pay this bill and refer to Mr. Henning to send a copy of the bill for reimbursement to the developer.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf

To pay the KLJ bill and have Mr. Henning send a copy of the bill and letter demanding reimbursement from the developer.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

General: Payroll: \$278,446.52; ND Association of Counties: \$9,819.25; Radisson Hotel: \$881.10; Jay Elkin: \$1,641.05; Slope County: \$64.00; Doreen Altenburg: \$352.50; Donald Bussier: \$367.50; Dorothy Bussier: \$367.50; Eleanor Fischer: \$352.50; Jo Ann Heiser: \$367.50; Luella Ridl: \$240.00; Sharon Runcorn: \$337.50; Rose Senn: \$367.50; Linda Krebs: \$115.00; Slope County: \$16.00; Ronald G Harnden: \$197.50; State Board

of Law Examiners: \$1,475.00; Matthew Bender Co Inc: \$781.51; Secretary of State: \$74.00; Thomson Reuters: \$1,397.31; Dakota Water Treatment: \$26.75; SBM Inc: \$11,441.93; Walmart: \$493.13; Expressway Suites: \$179.90; Unlimited Office Products: \$4,145.13; The UPS Store: \$11.52; Xerox Corporation: \$1,456.96; MDU: \$3,376.56; Consolidated: \$480.37; Roughrider Electric: \$150.00; SW Water Authority: \$45.59; A-1 Sprinklers: \$240.00; Berger Electric: \$402.52; Border States Electric: \$188.23; Braun Distributing: \$595.69; Clean Sweep Vacuum Center: \$17.99; Dakota Farm Equipment: \$21.18; Jay R's Sandblasting: \$1,090.00; Jon's Home Comforts: \$433.40; Mann's Plumbing: \$258.97; Menards: \$328.71; Newby's Ace Hardware: \$128.78; T-Rex Conoco: \$153.88; Steffan's Saw & Bike: \$14.99; City of Dickinson: \$73,845.48; Visa: \$490.86; ND Pers: \$41,406.50; Mackoff Kellogg: \$1,800.00; Stutsman County Auditor's Office: \$9.50; Mark T Blumer: \$1,068.30; Andrew S Marquart: \$143.11; Wex Bank: \$5,960.82; Pamela Lynch: \$560.00; Sherwin-Williams: \$31.67; US Postal Service: \$164.00; AT&T Mobility: \$1,951.24; Century Link: \$487.00; Dacotah Paper: \$906.76; Farm Home Publishers: \$753.00; Office Max Inc: \$199.70; McHenry County Auditor: \$69.24; Forsgren Associates: \$9,386.64; ND Youth Correctional Center: \$12,824.10; Stark County Auditor: \$203.43; Ralph Weisenberger: \$53.28; Dickinson Parks & Recreation: \$66.56; Heidi Alt: \$550.00; The Emblem Authority: \$1,860.00; Loann's Marketing: \$1,487.50; Harold Dentinger: \$25.00; Great Plains Clinic: \$485.00; Quality Quick Print: \$278.00; Rudy's Lock & Key: \$3.00; Runnings: \$579.95; Advanced Business Methods: \$649.88; Balco Uniforms: \$908.53; Logo Magic Inc: \$147.00; Millie's Stitching: \$63.00; The Uniform Unit: \$812.14; Applied Concepts: \$2,058.30; Dickinson Tire: \$2,319.85; Electronic Communications: \$7,034.00; Motorola: \$3,939.00; Sax Motor Co: \$514.81; Total Safety USA: \$23.00; AlcoPro Inc: \$485.50; Brownell's Inc: \$570.70; Zuercher Technologies: \$6,909.00; Ultramax: \$6,040.00; LEC Maintenance: \$16,813.78; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$801.00; Verizon Wireless: \$90.79; Dickinson Press: \$153.90;

10 Mill: ND Department of Transportation: \$2,669.17; Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$6,021.27; Dennis Ficek: \$350.00; Richard Jones & Haley Jones: \$1,000.00; Nicholas EJ Letang & Luann K Letang: \$350.00; Marcella J Mischel: \$500.00; Dave Mork & Marilyn Mork: \$500.00;

County Road: Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$104,407.01; All-In Service: \$19,020.00; Hlebechuk Construction: \$12,250.00; Jurgens Operating: \$13,350.00; Kathrein Trucking: \$74,100.00; Martin Construction: \$117,973.39; Schwartz Construction: \$79,787.75; North Central Rental & Leasing LLC: \$4,550.00; West Plains Inc: \$1,500.00; Diamond Truck Equipment: \$33,612.20; Val's Sanitation: \$452.00; MDU: \$727.18; AT&T Mobility: \$118.42; City of Dickinson: \$170.95; City of Richardton: \$76.90; Consolidated: \$9,550.06; Roughrider Electric: \$1,359.00; SW Water Authority: \$52.17; Century Link: \$56.11; Belfield Automotive Supply: \$17.16; Clean Sweep Vacuum Center: \$17.99; Dickinson Supply: \$226.90; Lenny's Repair: \$46.62; Menards: \$129.56; Runnings: \$544.78; Total Safety USA: \$1,007.50; Braun Distributing: \$265.74; Carquest Auto Parts: \$72.25; Flags USA Inc: \$169.00; Kimball Midwest: \$616.61; Mac's Inc: \$39.99; Charbonneau Car Center: \$2,705.91; Dakota Filter Supply: \$333.51; Kohler Communications: \$31.50; Larry's Alignment: \$412.00; Nelson International: \$97.53;

NW Tire Inc: \$5,936.01; Pump Systems LLC: \$264.38; Stone Mill Inc: \$125.00; Wallwork Truck Center: \$73.15; Westlie Crossroads: \$977.45; General Steel: \$466.32; Road Equipment Parts: \$786.04; Butler Machinery: \$9,434.83; Capital Industries: \$3,047.07; Midwest Hose & Supply: \$38.23; RDO Equipment Co: \$941.40; SW Grain: \$49,646.86; West Dakota Oil: \$2,174.56; Dallas Sailer Enterprises: \$77.00; Hedahls: \$45.89; Mid-West Doors: \$440.85; Roadworx LLC: \$134,762.74; Rockmount Research & Alloys: \$900.44; Rummel Auto Wrecking: \$30.00; Ferguson Enterprises: \$283.48; ND Traffic Safety: \$1,374.66; Fisher Sand & Gravel: \$391.86; Northern Improvement: \$57,376.57; NDACo: \$225.00; Dickinson Press: \$69.66; Ty Newton Fencing: \$12,327.45; Outback Lumber Supply: \$4,741.30; Black Hills Trucking: \$2,438.00; Fastenal Company: \$179.99; Truenorth Steel: \$2,000.00; ABC Fencing & Oilfield Services: \$3,163.00; Dakota Fence: \$13,948.00;

Highway Tax Distribution: Payroll: \$133,469.77; ND Pers: \$35,831.11; Slope County: \$16.00; Radisson Hotel: \$80.10; NDACo: \$20.00;

SP Road & Bridge: Belfield Ambulance: \$78,600.00;

Social Welfare: Payroll: \$212,417.02; NDACO: \$83.00; ND Dept of Human Services: \$3,417.97; ND Pers: \$58,182.58; NASW: \$80.00; Advanced Business Methods: \$190.71; All American Travel: \$1,877.40; AT&T Mobility: \$43.85; Border States Electric: \$56.40; Braun Distributing: \$374.10; City of Dickinson: \$179.12; Comfort Suites: \$1,600.00; Consolidated: \$1,081.15; Dell Marketing: \$238.80; Dickinson Press: \$25.92; Wrap Around: \$1,613.82; Bertie Gustafson: \$650.00; Hewlett-Packard: \$2,277.04; MDU: \$1,049.51; NDACO Resources: \$1,230.27; Pitney Bowes Inc: \$234.18; Professional Printing: \$98.00; Record Keepers: \$33.00; Safey Works: \$70.00; SBM Inc: \$837.36; Sunrise Youth Bureau: \$1,882.50; Temp Right Services: \$5,410.88; Visa: \$644.12; Walmart: \$139.04;

County Poor: ND Dept of Human Services: \$29,527.92;

IT-Computer/Updates: NDACO Resources: \$16,993.80; Consolidated: \$247.47; Dataspec Inc: \$399.00; Dell Marketing: \$477.60; Hewlett-Packard: \$1,904.05; NDACO: \$11,633.34; Information Technology: \$239,434.09; Xerox Corporation: \$374.68; GIS Workshop: \$29,200.00; TAP Publishing: \$211.03; Electronic Communications: \$93,539.50;

Capital Improvement: Electric Sales & Service: \$6,104.29; Jay R's Sandblasting: \$696.25; JLG Architects: \$30,113.14; Otis Elevator Co: \$44,152.37; Prairie Engineering PC: \$1,210.00; Zeller Construction: \$4,884.00; ND Scull Construction: \$112,153.66;

County Park: Advanced Engineering: \$3,651.00; Stark County Auditor: \$149.98;

Fair Board: Stark County Fair Board: \$160.90;

County Jail: SWMCCC: \$207,295.54; CHI St Joseph's Health: \$464.00;

Insurance Reserve: American Insurance: \$198.00;

Comp Health Care: Humana Insurance: \$549.60; ND Pers: \$42,455.78; Blue Cross Blue Shield: \$483.20;

VSO Fund: Payroll: \$4,753.76; Angela Hunt: \$120.75; Jessica Clifton: \$276.00; NACVSO: \$45.00; Dakota Water Treatment: \$5.00; Newby's Ace Hardware: \$35.82; Walmart: \$81.76; Verizon Wireless: \$40.01; Consolidated: \$67.40; Country Media Inc: \$40.00;

Social Security: Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$47,955.04;

Advertising: Dickinson Press: \$412.49; ND Newspaper Association: \$265.80;

County Agent: Payroll: \$7,649.93; ND Pers: \$905.90; NDSU Extension Service: \$457.77; Kurt Froelich: \$258.60; Samantha Roth: \$70.00; Consolidated: \$186.73; Dickinson Press: \$167.00; ND State University: \$114.00; SBM Inc: \$590.61; Xerox Corporation: \$182.33; NDEAFCS Treasurer: \$115.00; Stacy Kilwein: \$100.00;

Weed Control: Payroll: \$17,325.31; NDWCA: \$250.00; ND Pers: \$5,064.50; AT&T Mobility: \$32.00; Runnings: \$349.99; SBM Inc: \$40.35; Carquest Auto Parts: \$19.68; Menards: \$83.84; Total Safety USA: \$137.53; Dakota Sports: \$18,350.00; NDSU Extension Pesticide Program: \$215.00; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$235.17;

9-1-1: Payroll: \$5,749.03; ND Pers: \$2,018.16; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$408.69; City of Dickinson: \$12,392.50; CTS Translation: \$2.48; Century Link: \$1,621.10; Consolidated: \$393.00;

Adult Education: Visa: \$33.91;

Domestic Violence: State Treasurer: \$385.00;

Oil Impact Grant: Payroll: \$4,815.45;

Oil 3061 Grant: Payroll: \$1,630.72; ND Pers: \$375.55;

Traf Safety Grant: Payroll: \$1,758.27;

Misc Grants: Dickinson Ambulance: \$45,851.29; Balco Uniforms: \$397.50;

Security/Transfer DJS Reimb: Wex Bank: \$357.42;

SW Victim Witness Program: Payroll: \$6,154.83; Verizon Wireless: \$40.01; SMB Inc: \$475.61; ND Pers: \$1,375.34; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$453.05; AT&T Mobility: \$185.41; Consolidated: \$44.78;

DVRCC: Domestic Violence Rape & Crisis Center: \$761.50;

Preservation Fee: Underground Vault: \$5.25;

State Reimbursements: Michael Hanson: \$25.00; Justin White: \$25.00; Perry Boespflug: \$25.00; Keith Simonieg: \$25.00;

Siren Contingency: Roughrider Electric: \$255.00;

Other Reimbursements: Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$945.20; Hewlett-Packard: \$7,262.11; East End Auto: \$162.50; The Uniform Unit: \$30.84; Consolidated: \$267.03; PNC Equipment Finance: \$33,660.16; Brendon Hoffman: \$50.00; Jason Lauf: \$50.00; Alcopro Inc: \$485.50; Office of Attorney General: \$6,045.00; Pharm Chem Inc: \$6,007.00; SBM Inc: \$95.97; Daniel Rosenquist: \$75.00;

BCI-Task Force Grants: Payroll: \$13,417.32; Galls LLC: \$552.56; Roughrider Industries: \$2,342.00; Global Assets: \$937.58; ND Pers: \$2,230.65; Covert Track LLC: \$1,500.00; Walmart: \$595.51; Bravo Concealment: \$110.98; Quality Quick Print: \$59.99; American Insurance: \$50.00; Secretary of State: \$36.00; Covert Track LLC: \$110.00; Smart Computers: \$25.99; Cellebrite USA Inc: \$1,099.00; Roughrider Industries: \$3,045.00; Consolidated: \$66.91; Verizon Wireless: \$725.15; Wex Bank: \$277.26; Enterprise FM Trust: \$3,737.56; Michael Connole: \$366.20; Chad Hoppone: \$366.20; Jud Trautvetter: \$367.20; Visa: \$1,414.99; TBK Tactical LLC: \$1,200.00;

911 Equipment: Advanced Business Methods: \$23.11; Electronic Communications: \$56,250.00; Information Technology Dep: \$4,965.00; SBM Inc: \$107.96; Bart's Electric: \$2,193.13; NDACO: \$1,799.25; Walmart: \$104.76; Consolidated: \$63.16;

Sheriff Oestreich

Sheriff Oestreich provided his monthly report which included the following:

- 79 criminal papers were received and 78 were served;
- The arrest tally included 10 accidents, 197 stops, 121 citations, and 59 warnings;
- 149 civil papers were received and 147 were served;
- Transports included 4 criminal, 36 daily court, 11 mental health, and 4 juveniles;
- The truck reg. program had a total of \$1,300 in fines and \$17,458.48 in permits;
- The 24/7 program had a total of \$5,411.03 in revenue.
- There were a total of 142 hours of overtime.

A grant was presented for vehicle equipment. This is a Justice Assistance grant in the amount of \$6,146.00.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY;** Commissioner Elkin
To authorize the Chairman to sign the grant application as presented.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Road Superintendent - Al Heiser

Mr. Heiser provided his monthly report. The work on 116th Ave SW has been completed for surge funding. The bridge installation northeast of Richardton is complete. The North Dakota Department of Transportation has some issues with the guardrail but they are working on a resolution.

Todd Miller provided an overview of an asset management software. This is free to call counties in the State. The software is a road inventory and small structure program and will show items such as road depths or types. Additional information on this will be provided.

Beer/Liquor License

Ms. Haag presented the beer/liquor licenses for 2016. All licenses have been received with the exception of the Wix Lodge.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander

To approve the 2016 beer/liquor licenses as presented.

DISPOSTION: Motion carried

Commission Meeting Dates

A sheet with the 2016 Commission Meeting dates was provided. The dates for 2016 are as follows:

- January 5th
- February 2nd
- March 1st
- April 5th
- May 3rd
- June 7th
- July 5th
- August 2nd
- September 6th
- September 20th
- October 4th
- November 1st
- December 6th
- December 27th

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To approve the 2016 Commission Meeting dates as presented.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Dickinson Ambulance Grant Reimbursement

A grant reimbursement in the amount of \$45,851.29 was presented on behalf of the Dickinson Ambulance Service.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf

To allow the Chairman to sign the grant reimbursement as presented.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Belfield Delinquent Tax Property

Ms. Haag advised an auction was held in November regarding the delinquent tax property in the City of Belfield. There were no bids. Ms. Haag is looking for authorization to off the property to the City of Belfield in the amount of \$50.00.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To authorize sale of the presented property to the City of Belfield in the amount of \$50.00.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

County Engineer – Justin Hyndman

Mr. Hyndman provided his monthly report which included the following:

- 32nd St SW Green River Bridge – Meyer Contracting. Project records have been submitted to NDDOT. Waiting on documents from contractor.
- 38th St SW CMC 4512 Phase 2 Additional aggregate base and paving 2.0 miles – Northern Improvement apparent low bid. 2016 construction.
- 32nd St SW CMC 4527 grading and aggregate 1 mile – Project complete. Final estimate submitted.
- 32nd St SW CMC 4527 paving 1 mile – Project complete. Final estimate submitted.
- 112th Ave SW 30th St SW to 32nd St SW CMC 4521 grading and aggregate 2.3 miles – Project complete. Final estimate submitted. KLJ will complete wetland monitoring to satisfy the USACE.
- 112th Ave SW 32nd St SW to 33rd St SW CMC 4521 paving 1 mile – Project complete. Final estimate submitted.
- 112th Ave SW Green River Bridge 120-03.0 – Scheduled for February 5, 2016 bid opening through the NDDOT. Plans and ROW to be submitted by November 27th, 2015.
- Bridge 45-141-20.0 – KLJ has submitted PS&E plans. USACE permit has been obtained. Stark County to obtain temporary easements.
- Bridge 45-142-20.0 – KLJ has submitted PS&E plans. USACE permit has been obtained. Stark County to obtain temporary easements.
- Bridge 45-142-20.1 - KLJ has submitted PS&E plans. USACE permit has been obtained. Stark County to obtain temporary easements.
- South Heart Road CMC 4511 mill and overlay 1 mile – KLJ is working on plans.
- HWY 10 Dickinson to 83rd Ave SW overlay and chip seal 23 miles – KLJ is working on environmental, preliminary surveys, and plans.
- 32nd St SW and 195th Ave SW reconstruct – KLJ is working on environmental and preliminary surveys.
- 112th Ave SW from 34th St SW to 33rd St SW 1 mile reconstruct – KLJ is working on environmental and preliminary surveys.
- Traffic counts – NDDOT sent letter requesting traffic counts. November 19th, 2015.

Mr. Hyndman also advised that Stark County has spent a little over \$7,000,000 of the \$21,000,000 surge funding.

Veteran's Memorial

The Dickinson Parks and Recreation attempted to insure the Veteran's Memorial however the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund advised they do not own the memorial and therefore cannot insure it. Mr. Henning worked with the Park and Rec and their Director will call the NDIRF to work this out.

GIS Workshop Contract

Ms. Haag presented the annual maintenance contract between Stark County and GIS Workshop. This includes the GIS website for the Tax Director/Auditor and Emergency Management along with the GIS layer maintenance for Emergency Management.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To approve the GIS Workshop Maintenance Contract as presented and authorize the Chairman's signature.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Courthouse – State Offices

The State Offices located in the Courthouse have questioned if it is mandatory for the Courthouse to be closed in accordance with the Board of Commissioners schedule for holidays. If this is not mandatory the State Office's would like to remain open however have a concern with security and the need for individuals to appear before a judge within 72 hours. Mr. Henning would suggest they declare the courthouse closed except for emergency appearances as necessary as instructed by the board.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf

To declare the courthouse closed as instructed by the Board except for emergency appearances as necessary.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Bid Opening – Wheeler Loader

Received the following two bids:

- Butler Machinery - \$233,900.00 purchase price with a \$19,000.00 trade in credit for a total price of \$214,900.00.
- RDO Equipment - \$228,000.00 purchase price with a \$22,000.00 trade in credit for a total price of \$206,500.

Mr. Heiser advised that both companies met the bid requirements. Each were offered a chance to comment on their bid.

RDO Equipment – This piece of equipment offers a remote link system for diagnostics and was included in the bid. Will offer a fuel guarantee that if the machine burns more than 3 gallons of fuel per hour the cost will be reimbursed in the form of a parts credit.

Butler Machinery – The machine that was quoted had heavy-duty parts as part of the quote along with the heaviest counter-weights available. Also offers a fuel guarantee with a credit in parts for additional fuel over 3 gallons per hour.

Mr. Heiser advised that given the trade-in value he would like to purchase the equipment outright and not use the trade-in. Commissioner Zander asked for comments from Stark County Road Department employees as they are the ones that will be operating the machine. It was advised that they prefer the John Deere machine.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To accept the low bid from RDO Equipment.
Commissioner Zander called for the question.
DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Court Facilities Grant

Ms. Haag presented a court facilities grant and advised this is only available to State court offices. The grant covers 75% with the County responsible for the remaining 25%. The total grant amount is \$22,839.71 with the grant covering \$17,129.78 leaving a balance for the County of \$5,709.93.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To authorize the Chairman to sign the court facilities grant as presented.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Zoning

Gaylon Baker is requesting a Minor Subdivision Plat of the Baker Subdivision located in the E ½ of Section 33, Township 138, Range 96 containing approximately 28.27 acres. Staff and Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander
To approve the minor subdivision plat as presented.
DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Casey Willis of White Butte Wind Project, LLC is requesting a conditional use permit for a 198 foot meteorological tower on a parcel located in all of Section 29 and the E ½ of Section 30, Township 138, Range 98 containing approximately 960 acres. Staff and Planning and Zoning recommend approval with conditions.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf
To approve the conditional use permit for White Butte Wind Project, LLC as presented with conditions.
DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Casey Willis of White Butte Wind Project, LLC is requesting a conditional use permit for a 198 foot meteorological tower on a parcel located in all of Section 17 and the NE ¼ of Section 20, Township 137, Range 98 containing approximately 805 acres. Staff and Planning and Zoning recommend approval with conditions.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz
To approve the conditional use permit for White Butte Wind Project, LLC as presented with conditions.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. Commissioner Kuntz, Aye. Commissioner Elkin, Aye. Commissioner Wolf, Aye. Commissioner Zander, Nay. Chairman Hoff, Aye. Motion carried

Sunflower Wind Project is requesting a conditional use permit for a 262 foot lattice meteorological tower on a parcel located in the SW ¼ of Section 26, Township 139, Range 91 containing approximately 160 acres. Staff and Planning and Zoning recommend approval with conditions.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf
To approve the conditional use permit for Sunflower Wind Project with conditions as presented.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Zoning & Special Meeting

As a reminder there will be a Zoning and Special meeting of the Stark County Board of County Commissioners on December 22nd, 2015. Zoning will start at 8:00am and the County Commission meeting will begin at 10:00am. These meetings will be published.

Belfield Ambulance

Belfield Ambulance is working on a building project with a total cost of \$795,000 and has received grant funding for \$388,000. Belfield Ambulance is also putting \$100,000 towards the projecting leaving a total of \$307,000. Billings County agreed to match the amount Stark County will provide and loan the Belfield Ambulance the remainder with 0% interest.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander
To authorize \$78,600 to the Belfield Ambulance out of the Special Roads and Bridges fund.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

Craig Kubas

Mr. Kubas advised that he has had 2 meetings regarding wind energy facilities. These meetings have had a focus of discussing setbacks being conditional to the tower height. Chairman Hoff advised that in reference to a letter to the editor of the Dickinson Press that no promises were made for changes. If the Committee feels changes need to be made they will make recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission of which will then come before the County Commission.

Key Fob – Kim

Ms. Schwartz spoke about the access cards for the Courthouse. Would like to switch to a key fob that is placed on your keychain however there is a cost for the key fobs. It was suggested that the cost be included in a facilities grant that Ms. Schwartz will write.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander
To authorize the Chairman to sign the grant application when complete.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Dickinson Catholic Schools Financing

Mr. Steve Glasser presented information on conduit revenue bond financing through Stark County. Mr. Glasser is requesting a total of \$12,500,000 in bonds. There is a \$10,000,000 bond limit per year so it is requested that a bond be issued for \$10,000,000 in 2016 and the remainder bond of \$2,500,000 be issued in 2017. There will be a public hearing scheduled on December 29th, 2015 which will be published regarding this topic.

Courthouse Remodel

Mr. Rob Remark with JLG Architects provided a presentation on the courthouse remodel project. Phase 1 has been completed and the building committee is recommending proceeding to phase 2.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To authorize the architects to proceed with phase 2.

DISCUSSION: The Commission likes the way the proposed addition looks and flows with the current courthouse. The building committee suggests that they should proceed with the 3-story option as the growth of departments has presented a need for future space.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

It is the opinion of JLG Architects that Stark County advertise to hire a construction manager. JLG will guide the building committee through that process of which will be a separate contract with Stark County.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To hire a construction manager for the project and authorize the Chairman to appoint an interview committee for applicants.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried

MOTION BY: Commissioner Elkin **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf

To pay for phase 1 of the courthouse remodel project.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote. All vote aye. Motion carried

The following Miscellaneous Receipts were filed: General: \$379,062.64; County Road: \$673,214.05; Highway Tax Distribution: \$343,352.97; Social Services: \$131,054.33; IT-Computer/Updates: \$611.73; Capital Improvement: \$127,763.31; County Park: \$6.71; Veterans Services: \$396.75; Social Security: \$4,613.13; County Agent: \$60.00; Weed Control: \$33,112.27; 911 Revenue: \$28,220.72; Adult Education: \$70.00; Asset Forfeiture: \$2,000.00; Fingerprint Station: \$800.00; Domestic Violence: \$385.00; OP Grant: \$22,568.56; Traffic Safety Grant: \$2,573.97; Misc Grants: \$45,851.29; Game & Fish Licenses: \$123,886.50; Estimate Tax: \$4,129.07; Security/Transfer DJS Reimb: \$367.04; SW Victim Witness Program: \$761.50; Hazardous Chemical Prep: \$5,100.00; Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Center: \$761.50; Preservation Fee: \$12,031.00; Siren Contingency: \$58.14; Other Reimbursements: \$75,425.43; BCI-Task Force: \$113,917.50; 911 Equipment: \$4,980.28;

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin

To adjourn the meeting.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Kay Haag, Auditor

Russ Hoff, Chairman