

Official Proceedings

June 2, 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. The following additions were made.

- Commissioner Hoff added 911 upgrade and Red Trail Energy discussion.
- Commissioner Zander added Planning and Zoning issue.
- Commissioner Wolf added a Department of Corrections Contract.
- Auditor Haag added grant reimbursement and County Agent Out-Of-State Travel Request.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To approve the agenda as presented with the additions.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Minutes

The minutes of the May 5, 2015 Board of County Commissioners Meeting were presented.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Wolf
To approve the minutes of the May 5, 2015 Board of County Commission minutes as presented.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Accounts Payable

Commissioner Hoff questioned a capital improvement invoice from Dickinson Steel Builders. It was advised that this is the balance at the county shop. Commissioner Wolf asked for clarification on the purchase of the land in Richardton for the county shop. It was advised that this was taken out of the road fund. Commissioner Elkin request clarification for payment made to David Bauer. This is for a land-use agreement for the communications tower. Commissioner Hoff believes that this land reaches out to his property.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Wolf **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To approve the accounts payable with the supplement as presented.

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

General: Payroll: \$245,678.78; NDACO: \$55.00; Kay Haag: \$57.75; Linda Krebs: \$230.00; Alissa M Forster: \$65.00; Ronald G Harnden: \$294.20; West Payment Center: \$714.65; Dakota Water Treatment: \$20.50; SBM Inc.: \$1,317.44; Walmart: \$524.73; ND Recorders Assoc: \$100.00; Kathy Schwab: \$21.27; 4 Seasons Trophies: \$14.20; Xerox: \$744.11; Stacy Swanson: \$50.75; Braun Distributing: \$632.19; MDU: \$2,548.00; Consolidated: \$429.64; Roughrider Electric: \$176.00; SW Water Authority: \$47.78; Berger Electric: \$114.35; Border States Electric: \$66.36; Clean Sweep Vacuum: \$18.99;

Dakota Farm Equipment: \$23.64; Logo Magic Inc: \$105.00; Menards: \$32.11; Newby's Ace Hardware: \$103.92; Nitro-Green: \$301.00; One Stop Rental: \$36.75; Pump Systems: \$48.65; Queen City Motor: \$12.97; Sherwin-Williams: \$61.84; T-Rex Conoco Inc: \$601.03; City of Dickinson: \$13,495.43; ND Pers: \$38,375.17; Mark T Blumer LA: \$596.20; Mackoff Kellogg: \$1,800.00; Melbye Law Office: \$225.00; Stutsman County Auditor: \$199.50; Wex Bank: \$384.21; Cenex Fleetcard: \$6,304.94; Tri-Energy Coop: \$19.42; Pamela Lynch: \$560.00; US Postal Service: \$79.80; Century Link: \$487.00; AT&T Mobility: \$2,020.41; Great Plains Directory: \$134.00; Forsgren Association: \$14,734.19; David Bauer: \$550.00; Dickinson Parks: \$64.48; Comfort Inn C/O: \$370.00; Comfort Suites: \$74.00; Visa: \$388.86; Kevin Eldridge: \$25.00; RAR Communications: \$250.00; Great Plains Clinic: \$386.00; Quality Quick Print: \$403.00; Rudy's Lock & Key: \$9.00; Advanced Business Methods: \$454.80; Transunion Bank: \$1,320.00; Millie's Stitching: \$3.00; Paradise Dry Cleaning: \$42.27; Uniform Center: \$47.96; The Uniform Unit: \$1,372.36; Electronic Communications: \$375.00; Pro Tint: \$200.00; Sax Motor Co: \$504.90; Sure Sign: \$170.00; ND Dept of Transportation: \$6.50; Farmers Union Oil: \$248.46; Tri-Energy Coop: \$442.45; Bob's Photo: \$2,940.87; Dickinson Ambulance: \$255.60; Runnings: \$149.99; Total Safety US: \$43.00; Brownells Inc: \$149.58; Sax Motor Co: \$19,870.00; LEC Maintenance: \$13,227.44; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$432.28; NDA CO: \$238.23; Joann Ozbun: \$126.50; Verizon Wireless: \$96.63; Sure Sign: \$140.00; Bill Fahlsing: \$89.97; Southwestern District Health: \$750.00;

10 Mill: Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$1,878.77; ND Dept of Transportation: \$3,665.49;

County Road: Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$56,780.97; All In Service LLC: \$15,750.00; Boltz Construction: \$715.00; Jurgens Trucking: \$16,230.00; Kathrein Trucking: \$60,120.00; Martin Construction: \$285.00; Northern Improvement: \$5,512.00; Edward Schwartz Construction: \$30,226.00; Outback Lumber Supply Co: \$898.00; Ty Newton Fencing: \$2,001.25; Simon G & Kathleen Kuntz: \$1,000.00; Dave & Marilyn Mork: \$405.00; Howard & Jarri Newton: \$405.00; Adam Wock: \$1,000.00; North Central Rental: \$480.00; Onsite Improvements: \$729.00; American Bank Center: \$23,657.42; Capital Industries: \$43,000.00; NDDOT: \$300.00; MDU: \$450.13; City of Belfield: \$27.60; City of Dickinson: \$98.85; Consolidated: \$49.29; Roughrider Electric: \$958.00; SW Water Authority: \$53.93; AT & T Mobility: \$112.82; Century Link: \$56.13; City of Richardton: \$76.90; Acme Electric Co: \$431.07; Butler Machinery: \$892.31; Dickinson Supply: \$453.15; J & J Operating: \$11.16; Midwest Hose & Supply: \$12.90; Pump Systems LLC: \$3,247.49; Runnings: \$56.30; Service Printers: \$275.15; Total Safety US: \$107.60; Visa: \$387.23; Nelson International: \$3,010.30; NW Tire: \$3,147.84; Ray's Auto Electric: \$375.80; Wallwork Truck Center: \$819.75; Westlie Truck Center: \$5,059.26; ND Dept of Transportation: \$11.50; Visa: \$10.00; Butler Machinery: \$3,718.16; Capital Industries: \$863.04; Dakota Farm Equipment: \$6.00; Dakota Filter Supply: \$6.27; George's Tire Shop: \$266.00; NW Tire Inc: \$146.53; Pump Systems LLC: \$70.97; RDO Equipment Co: \$661.72; Titan Machinery: \$24.25; SW Grain: \$30,455.74; West Dakota Oil: \$2,312.30; Norman G Jensen: \$243.50; Kimball Midwest: \$117.71; Lenny's Repair: \$3.00; Rummel Auto Wrecking: \$60.00; Trimac Transport:

\$3,189.54; Steffan Feeds: \$1,696.00; Husky Oil Marketing: \$5,909.80; Mountain Man Transport: \$720.00; Martin Construction: \$417,312.72;

Highway Tax Distribution: Payroll: \$121,380.23; ND Pers: \$31,036.34; NDACO: \$2,563.66;

Social Welfare: Payroll: \$190,547.54; ND Pers: \$52,044.31; ND Dept of Human Services: \$3,336.02; Advanced Business Methods: \$140.66; All American Travel: \$2,336.80; AT & T Mobility: \$35.32; Braun Distributing: \$165.81; City of Dickinson: \$181.75; Comfort Suites: \$222.00; Consolidated: \$834.95; Corporate Translation: \$3.47; DJ's Tesoro: \$25.90; Dickinson State: \$100.00; Bertie Gustafson: \$650.00; Chantelle Kuntz: \$50.58; MDU: \$874.48; Newby's Ace Hardware: \$6.29; Nodak Motel: \$34.00; Pitney Bowes Inc: \$258.09; Radisson Hotel Bismarck: \$747.00; Record Keepers: \$33.00; Safety Works: \$75.00; SBM Inc: \$678.68; Sunrise Youth Bureau: \$907.50; Visa: \$624.12; Walmart: \$346.98; Lisa Wipperling: \$233.87;

County Poor: ND Dept of Human Services: \$41,530.93;

IT-Computer/Updates: NDACO Resources: \$8,496.90; Consolidated: \$247.47; Dataspec Inc: \$798.00; Dell Marketing LP: \$1,194.00; Hewlett-Packard: \$279.99; NDACO Resources: \$41.04; Zuercher Technologies LLC: \$72,843.00; Ban-Koe Companies: \$9,318.08; Visa: \$23.88; Information Technology: \$1,032.40; Xerox Corporation: \$187.34;

Capital Improvement: Dickinson Steel Builders: \$80,830.00; Prairie Engineering PC: \$5,543.33;

County Park: Advanced Engineering: \$5,000.50;

Fair Board: Stark County Fair Board: \$174.32;

County Jail: SWMCCC: \$135,156.50;

Insurance: NDACO: \$4,799.78; American Insurance: \$931.00;

Comp Health Care: NDPers: \$32,941.32; Blue Cross Blue Shield: \$447.20;

VSO Fund: Payroll: \$8,552.86; OSACVSO: \$500.00; Visa: \$457.20; Dakota Water Treatment: \$1.25; Rudy's Lock & Key: \$310.00; SBM Inc: \$147.97; Consolidated: \$54.94; Verizon Wireless: \$42.63; Country Media Inc: \$115.00; Eido Printing: \$18.00;

Social Security: Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$41,591.88;

County Agent: Payroll: \$5,329.33; NDPers: \$655.64; NDSU Extension Service: \$814.98; Samantha Roth: \$206.50; Kurt Froelich: \$35.00; Consolidated: \$175.89; Xerox Corporation: \$151.26; Visa: \$475.00; Gayle Pender-Dukart: \$100.00;

Weed Control: Payroll: \$18,090.02; NDPers: \$4,593.43; NDACO: \$214.85; Walmart: \$15.60; Quaility Quick Print: \$149.00; Crop Production: \$28,080.00; Menards: \$124.29; Pump Systems LLC: \$89.57; Runnings: \$1,330.43; George's Tire Shop: \$25.00; Queen City Motors: \$200.00; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit) \$235.14;

9-1-1: Payroll: \$5,213.53; NDPers: \$1,786.52; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$367.73; NDACO: \$1.38; City of Dickinson: \$12,392.50; Century Link: \$1,616.67; Consolidated: \$477.00;

Fingerprint Station: Sirchie: \$34.75;

Domestic Violence: State Treasurer: \$805.00;

Oil 3061 Grant: Payroll: \$3,525.70; NDPers: \$1,361.93; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$236.65;

Criminal Justice/Oil Impact Grant: Payroll: \$920.82; NDPers: \$823.91;

Traf Safety Grant: Payroll: \$654.24;

Cops Grant 2011: Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$105.21;

Misc Grants: Dickinson Ambulance: \$2,083.33;

Game and Fish: ND Game and Fish Department: \$105.00;

SW Victim Witness Program: Payroll: \$5,416.22; NDACO: \$56.20; NDPers: \$1,205.31; Consolidated: \$44.57; AT&T Mobility: \$85.51; Verizon Wireless: \$42.61; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$396.55; Linda Presler: \$266.80;

DVRCC: Domestic Violence: \$807.96;

State Reimbursements: Thomas Grosz: \$50.00; George Sarnicki: \$25.00; Shane Holtz: \$50.00; Zachary Milne: \$25.00; Justin Fridrich: \$25.00; Jesse Becker: \$50.00; Jason Wallace: \$25.00; Ryan Coyne: \$25.00; Dustin Ashby: \$25.00;

Siren Contingency: Roughrider Electric: \$239.00;

Other Reimbursements: Dickinson Collision Center: \$871.58; Inventory Trading Company: \$360.00; Consolidated: \$178.16; Visa: \$562.20; PNC Equipment Finance: \$33,660.16; Pharm Chem Inc: \$3,932.00; SBM Inc: \$477.99; Office of Attorney General: \$6,381.00; Walmart: \$27.26;

BCI-Task Force Grants: Payroll: \$14,031.61; Duke's Welding & Fab: \$160.80; NDPers: \$3,080.39; Stark County Auditor (Federal Deposit): \$898.23; NDACO:

\$363.60; The UPS Store: \$9.95; Jerome Distributing: \$24.00; International LLC: \$177.55; Consolidated: \$66.91; Verizon Wireless: \$1,000.78; Wex Bank: \$770.48;

911 Equipment: Advanced Business Methods: \$28.91; Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson: \$500.00; Consolidated: \$63.16;

Sheriff Oestreich

Sheriff Oestreich provided his monthly report to include the following:

- 922 calls for service;
- 86 criminal papers received, 96 served;
- The arrest tally includes 143 stops six accidents, 81 citations and 29 warnings;
- 122 civil papers were received and 160 were served.

Major Moser has been working on the Sheriff's Department's vehicle fleet this year. The Sheriff's Department received a used sport-utility vehicle for the Sheriff and the pickup will move to Major Moser. They're currently looking for an additional three pickups which would have one for each shift. Sheriff Oestreich attended the South Heart City meeting of which he was advised that they were pleased with the staff being in small towns. The South Heart Police Department will be using the Stark County Sheriff's channel for radio communication.

Sheriff Oestreich presented the Commission with the Zuercher contract for the new CAD and Records Management Software. Mr. Henning has reviewed the updated contract and advised that all requested changes have been made.

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

To allow the chairman to sign the contract.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Road Superintendent - Al Heiser

Mr. Heiser requested out-of-state travel for an employee to travel to Huron South Dakota to look at a trailer.

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

To approve the out-of-state travel request.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Mr. Heiser advised that the road department trucks are hauling to a couple of different areas and they are trying to use up the final biannual funding. Mr. Heiser would like to focus on the South Heart road traveling through town out to the church. This project would qualify for Department of Transportation funding and Highway 10 is also a CMC route. Would like to get project in-line for the future and decide what project would qualify for a December bid opening.

Mr. Heiser advised that there was some crop damage due to projects and is requesting the county pay for the damage.

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

To pay for the crop damage in the amount of \$2,810.

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

County Engineer

Andrew Krebs is filling in for Justin and provided the following report:

- Green River Bridge – NE of Dickinson – Meyer Contracting. Project records have been submitted to NDDOT.
- Saetz Bridge – NW of Dickinson – Schwartz Construction. Completion date of October 17th, 2014. Started work April 15th. Liquidated damages charged. Final walkthrough completed.
- 38th Street Gas Plant to Billings County – Grading and Gravel – Martin Construction. Completion date of October 18th, 2014. Work started April 13. Liquidated damages charged. Contractor working on remaining items.
- 38th Street Gas Plant to Billings County – Paving – Paving plans started. CMC requested. Project needs to be submitted for project number once CMC route approved.
- Highway 10, Gladstone to SW Grain 2.5 miles – Accepted by NDDOT.
- 39th St SW Norwegian Creek Box – Martin Construction. Pre-job held May 27th, 2015. Plan to begin after June 1st.
- 116th Ave SW Highway 10 North 1.1 miles – Grading and Gravel – Martin Construction. Constructing turn lanes at Highway 10.
- 116th Ave SW Highway 10 North 1.1 miles – Paving – Century Companies. Pre-job held May 27th, 2015. Begin project June 15, 2015.
- 32nd Street, West of ND22 1 mile – Grading and Gravel – Bid opening June 2, 2015.
- 32nd Street, West of ND22 1 mile – Paving – Bid opening June 2, 2015.
- Roadway Grading 112th Ave SW from 30th to 32nd – Bid opening June 2, 2015.
- 112th Ave SW from 32nd to 33rd – Grading, Gravel, and Paving – Bid opening June 2, 2015.
- Green River Bridge by Letang's – Anticipated November 2015 bid opening and 2016 construction, depending on federal funding.
- Bridge 45-149-20 – Messer – Wetlands and Cultural surveys complete. Working on USACE permit application.
- Bridge 45-141-20.0 – Wetland and Cultural surveys complete. Working on reports and design.
- Bridge 45-142-20.0 – Wetland and Cultural surveys complete. Working on reports and design.
- Bridge 45-142-20.1 – Wetlands and Cultural surveys complete. Working on reports and design.

Mr. Krebs presented a bridge agreement by Letang's to the Commission.

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

To authorize the Chairman to sign the bridge agreement.

DISCUSSION: The Letang's are adopting the bridge for historical purposes. The cost to move the bridge is part of the project and the Letang's have to provide a spot to place the bridge.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Stark County Policy Manual

Ms. Haag provided the Policy manual that has been circulating between the Commissioners, Elected Officials, and Department Heads.

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

To adopt the policy manual that has been circulating.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Zander will visit more with Linda regarding a sign-off sheet for employees to sign once they have read the changes to the manual.

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

County Agent – Out-of-State Travel Request

Samantha Roth with the County Extension office requested out-of-state travel from November 1st through November 6th to attend a conference in West Virginia. Ms. Roth advised that the travel costs are available in the budget.

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

To approve the out-of-state travel request.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

eCivis Renewal

Ms. Haag presented the yearly contract renewal for the eCivis Grant membership program. The program is currently being used by the Sheriff's Department, Auditor's Office, and Stark County Department of Emergency Services.

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

To authorize the Chairman to sign the eCivis renewal.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Zander would like some type of report on the use and results of the program.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Bid Opening

The following bid openings were conducted.

COIB-4527(001) – PCN:21099 & COIB-4521(002) – PCN:21102

Engineer's Estimate - \$2,085,000.00

The following bids were received:

- Edward H Schwartz Construction, Inc. - \$1,843,820.71
- Jensen Brothers Construction Inc. - \$1,755,606.00
- Martin Construction Inc. - \$1,579,222.00
- Meyer Contracting Inc. - \$1,740,826.55

The apparent low bid for this project is Martin Construction in the amount of \$1,579,222.00.

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

To accept the low bid.

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

COIB-4527(002) – PCN:21100 & COIB-4521(001) – PCN:21101
Engineer’s Estimate - \$3,150,000.00

The following bids were received:

- Border States Paving, Inc. - \$2,911,889.40
- Knife River - \$2,797,777.00
- Martin Construction, Inc. - \$2,318,170.00
- Northern Improvement Company - \$2,200,492.55

The apparent low bid for this project is Northern Improvement Company – Dickinson in the amount of \$2,200,492.55.

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

To accept the low bid.

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

Arnie Binek

Mr. Binek presented on behalf of the Stark County Park Board. Commissioner Wolf advised that they have met with the hospital and are hoping to have something after July 1st. Commissioner Wolf believes we need to submit a letter of proposal to buy back the 12.8 acres at the selling price of which the hospital obtain the land. The States Attorney’s office will draft up some language and submit to the hospital board. Mr. Henning would suggest the letter contains some type of reference to where we started from in good faith. The county sold the hospital this land at a good rate to be good neighbors. Commissioners Wolf and Zander should review the letter.

Grant Reimbursement

The Dickinson Ambulance is requesting authorization for the Chairman to sign two grant reimbursements.

The first grant reimbursement is in the amount of \$12,036.86.

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

To authorize the Chairman to sign the grant reimbursement.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

The second grant reimbursement is in the amount of \$2,083.33.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander

To authorize the Chairman to sign the grant reimbursement.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Courthouse Addition

The request for qualifications and ad were sent by Commissioner Zander to Ms. Haag and Mr. Henning. Ms. Haag advised that she has received a few calls regarding this. The responses to the request for qualifications are due by June 12th, 2015 at 2:00pm.

Zoning

Travis Wolf is requesting a zoning change from Agriculture to Rural Residential on a parcel located in the N1/2 of the SE ¼ of Section 20, Township 139, Range 95 containing approximately 5 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve zoning request.

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

Robert and Diane Procive are requesting a zoning change from Agriculture to Rural Residential on a parcel located in the NW ¼ of Section 35, Township 140, Range 99 on approximately 5.74 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve zoning request.

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

Robert and Diane Procive are requesting a Minor Subdivision Plat of the Benjamin Subdivision located on a parcel in the NW ¼ of Section 35, Township 140, Range 99 on approximately 5.74 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve the Minor Subdivision Plat request.

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

Al Schaeffer is requesting a zoning change from Agriculture to Rural Residential on a parcel located in the S ½ of the S ½ of Section 36, Township 140, Range 95 on approximately 9.3 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve the zoning request.

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

Al Schaeffer is requesting a Minor Subdivision Plat of the Schaeffer Subdivision located in the S ½ of the S ½ of Section 36, Township 140, Range 95 on approximately 9.3 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve the Minor Subdivision Plat request.

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

Bill Starlin is requesting a zoning change from Agriculture to Rural Residential on a parcel located in the NW ¼ of Section 25, Township 139, Range 96 on approximately 40 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To table this zoning change request.

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

Tyrene Sarsland is requesting a zoning change from Agriculture to Rural Residential on a parcel located in the N ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 2, Township 140, Range 96 on approximately 5 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve the zoning change.

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

Knife River North Central is requesting a temporary use permit for a concrete batch plant operation on a parcel located in the NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 140, Range 98 on approximately 158 acres with a lease area of approximately 4 acres. Planning and Zoning recommend approval.

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

To approve the temporary use permit request.

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

Radio Tower Site – Bauer

David Bauer provided a lease of property for the radio tower site. Ms. Haag advised that this lease has previously been in the amount of \$250 per year however this is now increasing to \$300 per year.

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

To accept the lease agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Elevator – Otis

Ms. Haag advised that the elevator servicing occurs on a quarterly basis at the courthouse. The elevator was making noise and is now out of commission. The repairs are estimated to cost between \$40,000 and \$80,000. We will proceed with the repair and wait until we receive the bill before determining what account to take it out of.

Red Trail Energy

Rod Landblom has questioned if we have received our dividend check from the County shares in Red Trail Energy. We have received our portion which is \$263,636.

9-1-1 Upgrade Update

Mr. Fahlsing provided an update and request to proceed on 2 topics for the 9-1-1 Dispatch Center upgrade project.

Radio System

Mr. Fahlsing received the quote for the radio system. The quote came back at \$310,800. There is a possibility of needing an additional networking component in the amount of \$30,000. Mr. Fahlsing and Mr. Henning advised that the system is being purchased on a State of North Dakota Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.

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

To proceed with the purchase of the Zetron Radio System not to exceed the amount of \$340,800 and to allow the Chairman to sign the agreement pending the State's Attorney review and approval.

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

Siren Activation System

Mr. Fahlsing advised that a 2nd siren controller will need to be installed in the new primary dispatch center. The total cost for this implementation is \$11,215.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Elkin
To allow the Chairman to sign the purchase agreement for the siren activation system.
DISPOSITION: Motion carried

Department of Corrections Contract

Commissioner Wolf advised they are working on developing a contract between the New England Women's Prison and the Department of Corrections. The goal of this contract would be to extend the contract for 10 years. The prison would remain at 126 prisoners but request that the DOC pay for anything over the 126 count of which they currently do not. The current contract ends in July. The prison is also looking at adding an area of about 26 beds for prisoners with mental issues that cannot be housed with the general population. The rough estimate for this project is \$3-4 Million and there is a possibility of funding through the USDA.

Board of Equalization

City of Dickinson

Joe Hirschfeld, City of Dickinson Assessor presented on behalf of the City of Dickinson. Mr. Hirshfeld reported in the City of Dickinson the true and full valuation will be \$2,859,696,665 and the taxable valuation will be \$135,921,391 for 2015.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kuntz

To accept the City of Dickinson assessment as presented.

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

City of Belfield

Tax Director Diane Brines reported in the City of Belfield the true and full valuation will be \$52,676,300 and the taxable valuation will be \$2,452,216. New residential construction of \$569,800 and new commercial construction of \$579,800 was reported.

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

To accept the City of Belfield assessment as presented.

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

City of South Heart

Tax Director Diane Brines reported in the City of South Heart the true and full valuation will be \$33,430,200 and the taxable valuation will be \$1,553,261. New residential construction of \$433,496 and new commercial construction of \$8,996,600 was reported.

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

To accept the City of South Heart assessment as presented.

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

City of Gladstone

Tax Director Diane Brines reported in the City of Gladstone the true and full valuation will be \$12,735,700 and the taxable valuation will be \$577,225. New residential construction of \$573,000 and new commercial construction of \$0.00 was reported.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kuntz **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Zander

To accept the City of Gladstone assessment as presented.

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

City of Taylor

Tax Director Laura O'Connor reported in the City of Taylor the true and full valuation will be \$11,203,100 and the taxable valuation will be \$509,491. New residential construction of \$430,600 and new commercial construction of \$0.00 was reported.

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

To accept the City of Taylor assessment as presented.

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

City of Richardton

Tax Director Diane Brines reported in the City of Richardton the true and full valuation will be \$64,105,700 and the taxable valuation will be \$3,065,394. New residential construction of \$626,300 and new commercial construction of \$370,300 was reported.

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

To accept the City of Richardton assessment as presented.

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

Stark County

County Tax Director Diane Brines reported in the County the true and full valuation will be \$1,188,327,810 and the taxable valuation will be \$57,587,714 for 2015. New residential construction of \$23,356,600 and new commercial construction of \$181,018,440 was reported. Countywide there was an average increase for taxable valuation of 26.2%. Farm land has an increase of 10%; the average value per acre is \$391.40.

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

To accept the Stark County assessment as presented.

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

All individuals that voiced concerns with their assessment are encouraged to work with the appropriate appraiser.

Planning and Zoning Issue

Commissioner Zander voiced concerns with wind development projects. Commissioner Zander advised there seems to be some misunderstanding among Commissioners, land owners, and the general public.

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

To place a 6-month moratorium on wind farm permitting.

DISPOSITION: Commissioner Zander – Aye, Commissioner Wolf – Nay, Commissioner Kuntz – Nay, Commissioner Elkin – Nay, Commissioner Hoff – Nay. Motion failed

The following Miscellaneous Receipts were filed: General: \$226,285.49; County Road: \$101,263.53; Highway Tax Distribution: \$267,093.52; Social Services: \$80,713.58; IT-Computer/Updates: \$151.05; Capital Improvement: \$70,028.07; County Park: \$39.90; Insurance: \$1,583.17; Veteran's: \$12,000.00; Social Security: \$1,509.74; County Agent: \$102.03; Weed Control: \$35,123.57; 911 Revenue: \$30,230.30; Fingerprint Station:

104.00; Domestic Violence: \$1,155.00; Misc Grants: \$2,083.33; Estimate Taxes: \$777.00; Game & Fish Licenses: \$11,158.00; SW Victim Witness Program: \$1,512.71; Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Center: \$807.96; Preservation Fee: \$2,523.00; Other Reimbursements: \$48,938.32; BCI Grants: \$18.17; 911 Equipment: \$5,333.35;

MOTION BY: Commissioner Zander
To Adjourn The Meeting.

SECOND BY: Commissioner Elkin

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Kay Haag, Auditor

Russ Hoff, Chairman