

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 7, 2013

Chairman Carr called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Carr, Commissioner Straley, Commissioner Greger, Sarah Aberle and Foster County Independent reporter, Leasa Lura, present.

The minutes from the December 3, 17 and 30th meetings were reviewed. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the December 3rd minutes as submitted which included additional detail regarding Lynelle Hoppe's discussion with the commissioners as requested. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the December 17th minutes as corrected by striking the paragraph which included the board election, as that is supposed to be done the first meeting of the new year and the election on 12/17/13 was null and void; Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the December 30th minutes as corrected by adding in that the 2014 beer and liquor license fees would remain the same as 2013. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Greger moved to elect Paul Straley as Chairman, Commissioner Straley seconded. Upon roll call vote, Commissioners Greger and Straley voted aye, Commissioner Carr voted nay. Motion carried. Commissioner Straley moved to elect Les Greger as Vice Chairman, Commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, Commissioners Straley and Greger voted aye, Commissioner Carr voted nay. Motion carried.

Road report was read by Chairman Straley, as Nate Monson, Road Supervisor, was out tending to icy roads. Nate was sanding the area around the Glenfield School and Kensal Road. Commissioners discussed policy on tending to stranded cars. Commissioners agreed that they should continue with the policy that Road crew should not be pulling any cars out of the ditch, but can stop to make sure that anyone involved in the accident is OK. Commissioners discussed the motor grader repairs which include a broken shaft and a seized bearing. Repair costs are estimated at \$25,000.00.

Commissioners looked over the letter to Leading Edge verifying the agreement for the skidster loader for use between December 11, 2013 and August 11, 2014 not to exceed 250 hours. Commissioner Greger moved to sign the agreement. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye.

Chairman Straley signed the sales agreement with Butler Machinery for the purchase of a new motor grader as approved during the December 17th meeting.

Upon looking over the copies of the budget received from BCI, commissioners discussed salaries of the sheriff's department as it was not clear based on what was written the agreed amount of increase. Commissioner Greger moved to give the Sheriff and both Deputies a 14% increase to get them caught up to other sheriff's departments in the state. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried. After going over the entire budget, Commissioner Greger moved to approve and sign the budget. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Cheryl Fettig and Sheriff Tufte addressed the board regarding the water problems in the courthouse with the extremely cold weather. There had been no water in the courthouse since at least Monday. Cheryl believed there was a frozen pipe, but wasn't 100% sure. Plumbing for the courthouse has to pass through the old sheriff's residence before coming into the courthouse, and problem may originate from there. Commissioners agreed that Cheryl should call Schulz Plumbing to check out the problem since they have experience working with the plumbing in the building.

Noreen Barton, Treasurer, addressed the commissioners regarding the transfers that need to be done between funds. Currently the funds "in the red" are:

2930 Oasis fund:	(4,778.63)
2932 Soil Assessing:	(17,056.20)
2950 Health Insurance:	(5,766.92)
2960 County Agent:	<u>(967.67)</u>
Total	(28,569.42)

Noreen stated that the transfers from these funds would be transferred into each fund from the General Fund. Commissioner Greger moved to have these amounts transferred into each account to bring them to a \$0 balance. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Noreen then addressed the board regarding the Software Innovations Software Service Agreement for 2014 for \$7,500.00 after a \$2,500.00 discount. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the 2014 agreement. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioners discussed the different specs and looked over literature from the area businesses that carried commercial mowers. Also discussed was what they would like to see in the new commercial mower for Juanita Lake. Chairman Straley stated that he would put together a list of specs and ask for bids.

Commissioners also discussed possibly giving the Lake mower to the Fair board, as they are looking for a new/different mower. Chairman Straley also discussed with the commissioners the OSHA safety meetings that the Fair Board would need to complete.

Commissioner Greger updated the board on the \$2000.00 grant for Juanita Lake park equipment. He stated that the grant was already received and would need to be used within the next year; and that there was a slide that was being looked at as a possibility. The slide would be \$4,000.00 plus labor to install. Commissioner Greger stated that the 2011 and 2012 fees collected for storage/hookups/etc. were approximately \$929.00 plus any fees for 2013 and that amount could possibly applied to the cost of the slide as well. Commissioner Greger stated that they were also looking into having the boy scouts or National Guard volunteer to help install the slide. After discussion on the total amount that the Commissioners would approve, Commissioner Greger moved to approve \$5,000.00 total, including the \$2,000.00 grant, and that any more would need to be brought to the commissioners for approval, and that plans would need to be shown to the commissioners before anything was installed. Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Dana Scherr, Tax Director, addressed the board regarding a new Homestead Credit application that came in after the deadline. She stated that she would work with Noreen on the taxes. Due to the bad weather on January 6th, the township meetings were rescheduled for January 13th at 9 AM and 1 PM. Dana also stated that she has received requests for the GIS parcel data, and stated that Sidwell recommended that the county charge for providing the copies at \$0.10 per parcel. Commissioners agreed to allow the charges.

Commissioners discussed Scott Balvitsch’s water issues and that water board was not going to do anything. Commissioners also stated that the water board was to talk to Randy Hooey regarding insurance and this issue.

Commissioner Carr discussed the courthouse being closed on Monday, January 6th, and that he received 3 calls asking why the courthouse was closed. Commissioners discussed that it had always been left to the Sheriff’s department on whether to close the courthouse, and that there were many other places closed in town the same day including Foster County Medical Center, Carrington Schools, and Carrington Research Extension Center. Chairman Straley suggested putting together a list of criteria for when the courthouse should be closed.

Commissioner Greger moved to approve the Social Service bills as authorized by the County Welfare Board in the amount of \$26,689.26, and seconded by Commissioner Greger. Upon roll call, all vote aye. Motion carried.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

16057	Office of Attorney General-SCRAM Fees	\$ 205.00
16061-65 & ACH	Payroll- December 16-31, 2013	38,826.73
16066	NDPEA- December 2013 dues	56.00
16068	Dakota Central Telecomm I- December 2013 phone bill	2,069.39
ACH	NDPERS- Retirement	11,995.11
ACH	NDPERS- Deferred Comp	1,029.00
16087	Beckman Beverages- water	56.00
16088	Cardmember Services- Sheriff Dept Fuel	36.00
16089	Central Dakota 6 County Organization- 2014 Dues	120.00
16090	City of Carrington- DSL for E. Management	28.73
16091	City of Carrington- water	225.67
16092	Dacotah Paper- paper products	68.66
16093	Dakota Dust-Tex- Cleaning products	225.50
16094	Foster County Independent- Publishing and office supplies	1,143.99
16095	Foster County Treasurer- Postage	97.78
16096	Kelsch, Kelsch, Ruff & Kranda- Attorney fees	270.00
16097	Matthew Bender & Co- publishing Century code	212.31
16098	MDU Company- Heating	792.63
16099	Paul Murphy- long distance & copier	961.06
16100	ND Association of Counties- 2014 dues	5,013.00
16101	ND County Commissioners Association- 2014 Dues	950.00
16102	ND County Recorders Association- 2014 Dues	100.00
16103	Northern Plains Electric Co-op- Electricity	499.48
16104	Office Depot- Tax Director office supplies	293.29
16105	OTIS Elevator Company- Elevator repairs and 2014 service agreement	1,831.86
16106	Ottertail Power Company- Electricity	2,166.38
16107	Ottmar & Ottmar- Attorney fees	81.00
16108	Pizza Ranch- Lunch for BCI investigators	67.80
16109	Reliable Office Supplies- Extension office supplies	350.24
16110	Reliastar- Life Insurance	65.72
16111	Sandness Law Office- Attorney fees	108.00
16112	South Central Dakota Regional Council- 2014 dues	5,800.20
16113	Verizon wireless- Cell phones	389.99
16114	National Association of County Veterans service officers- 2014 Dues	30.00
16115	Central Business Systems- Quarterly copier charge- Recorder	194.73
16116	Marco- monthly service agreement	206.99
16117	NDACo Resources Group- tech support	162.50

16118	Software Innovations- 2014 Service Agreement	7,500.00
16119	Lisa Weninger- Cell Phone reimbursement	25.00
16120	Central Business Systems- quarterly copier charge- Extension office	545.21
16121	Farmers Union Insurance- Add Polaris Ranger to policy	68.00
16122	ND Association of Counties- 2014 Workers Compensation premium	17,700.05
16123	Greater Ramsey Water District- Lake Juanita water	42.00
16124	Griggs Co. Telephone- 9-1-1 charges	269.91
16125	Arrowwood Prairie Co-op- Heating Oil charges	159.50
16126	Braun Intertec- Contracted services- Asphalt testing	5,803.25
16127	Eddy County Auditor- Tax Director health insurance	1,530.30
16128	Hedahl's- parts	15.68
16129	John Deere Financial- parts	786.62
16130	Minnkota Power Co-op- fabric on McHenry Road	13,808.00
16131	NAPA- Parts	787.75
16132	Nelson International- parts	82.46
16133	OK Tire- road dept vehicle maintenance	1,054.14
16134	Pat Biel Trucking- trailer rental	80.00
16135	Schulz Plumbing- road dept. mapp gas	33.30
16136	Tough-T Manufacturing- parts & labor to fix skid shoes	336.00

Board reviewed the department revenue statements and approved for filing as follows:

Recorder, Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe	Fees for November	\$2022.00
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With no further business, Commissioner Carr moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Greger seconded. Chairman Carr adjourned the meeting until January 21, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Sarah Aberle
Foster County Deputy Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 21, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Greger, Commissioner Carr, Noreen Barton and Foster County Independent reporter, Leasa Lura, present. States Attorney, Paul Murphy, attended the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

The minutes from January 7, 2014 were reviewed. Motion made by Commissioner Greger to approve the minutes seconded by Commissioner Carr all voted aye.

Commissioner Straley gave an update on purchasing a Commercial Mower he stated that he talked to John Deere, Kracht Implement, Central Steel and Erickson Implement about the specs. The county is going to advertise for bids by putting an ad in the local newspaper and it will run the last two weeks in February. Opening bid day will be April 1st with a delivery date May 1st.

Nate Monson, Road Supervisor, informed the Commissioners the 772 CH motor grader came back last week. He also discussed sanding roads when it is really cold and windy. The cold weather froze the bottom of the box up to 4 inches and an employee had to ride in the box and shovel $\frac{3}{4}$ of the load and on windy days the sand just blows off of the road. After more discussion the board agreed they should not sand unless it is at least 10 above, due to safety issues of riding in the back and the wind 15 miles an hour or less. Commissioner Straley also advised Nate to get together with the City of Carrington and the State Highway Department for sanding purposes and find out what a semi load will cost the County and what to do about storing the sand and salt mix.

Commissioner Greger made a motion to table the Public Health roof bids until the next meeting due to the Deputy Auditor being absent and they were unsure if there were any other bids seconded by Commissioner Carr all voted aye.

Noreen Barton, Foster County Treasurer, presented the semi-annual Pledge of Asset Report. Mr. Greger made a motion to approve report as presented seconded by Commissioner Carr all voted aye.

Noreen Barton, Foster County Treasurer, presented taxes that need to be cancelled on Lot 4 Block 3 Original to the City of Glenfield the property went back to the county and did not sell at the tax sale. A motion was made by Commissioner Greger to cancel the taxes in the amount of \$746.16 seconded by Commissioner Carr all voted aye.

An annual Maintenance Certification for county federal aid projects was presented by Chairman Straley. Commissioner Greger made a motion to sign and send the Maintenance Certification back seconded by Commissioner Carr all voted aye.

An email from Bryon Fuchs, NDDOT, stated some certifications are missing on some of the projects. Chairman Straley is going to visit with Herb Bargmann from Wold Engineering on the issue.

Social Services requested a transfer of funds from the County Poor Relief fund in the amount of \$75,000.00. Commissioner Greger made a motion to transfer the funds seconded by Carr all voted aye.

Gene Doeling attended the meeting and inquired about Water Board minutes. Commissioner Straley requested he contact Kevin Wolsky or Bonnie Monson for a copy. After further discussion Commissioner Straley said he would visit with Mr. Wolsky and see if he can get the Water Board to bring the minutes to the courthouse and Mr. Doeling would be able to view them at the courthouse.

A note was presented to the Commissioners from Jay Harvester about rock crushing stating he would like to be able to bid for anything available. No action was taking on the matter at this time. When the county advertises for the issue he will have the option to put a bid in at that time.

A letter from Wold Engineering dated January 3, 2014, for a road project that is planned for the 2014 construction season was approved as presented.

Roger Gussiaas gave an update of issues that were discussed at the Planning & Zoning meeting that was held that morning prior to the Commissioner meeting. They discussed to continue

offering county building permits with a maximum fee of \$50.00 and advertising information of the rules and regulations.

Paul Murphy, States Attorney, emailed other States Attorneys asking them if they attend the County Commissioner meetings and if they are at the meeting from start to finish. The responds he received back stated other States Attorneys attend the meeting as needed. Chairman Straley requested we set a time frame for Mr. Murphy to attend the meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Carr and Roger Gussiaas inquired Mr. Murphy, States Attorney, about the fairgrounds issue pertaining to the Attorney General's opinion after further discussion Chairman Straley requested Mr. Murphy provide documentation from the Attorney General's office.

The Soils Committee members attended the meeting: Dana Scherr, Lynn Schroeder & Roger Gussiaas. Dana Scherr proceeded to inform the Commissioners they have come up with three categories which are: Ag Crop, Ag Non-Crop and Non-Productive Land. Lynn Schroeder stated the guidelines they came up with are similar to what Stutsman and Wells County are doing and what the state would accept. Roger Gussiaas also commented and agreed with it being a good plan and he also credited Dana Scherr for doing a wonderful job and Lynn Schroeder doing a good job as Chairman. The committee members feel the mapping program from Sidwell was money well spent. Commissioner Carr made a motion stating the Soils Committee can recommend that the state average value be used for ag non-cropland and adopt a 10% value of non-crop land be applied to non-productive land seconded by Commissioner Greger all voted aye.

Scott Balvitsch attended the meeting about a Water Board issue due to a drain issue that was discussed at a prior Commissioner meeting.

Commissioner Greger moved to approve Social Service bills as authorized by the County Social Service Board in the amount of \$4922.09, seconded by Carr all voted aye.

Board on motion approved the following bills for payment:

16174-75 & ACH	Payroll- January 1-15, 2014	\$ 32,144.08
16180	Access Printing Solutions, W-2's	52.46
16181	Barb's Rose Garden Floral, Christmas decorations	164.97
16182	Carrington Health Center, Blood Alcohol test	138.00
16183	Central Business Systems, printer lease	101.55
16184	Central Distributing, water	87.00
16185	City of Carrington, DSL for E. Management office	28.79
16186	Dakota Central Telecomm I, Phone	1,725.35
16187	Lindsay Dreher, Cell phone reimbursement	10.00
16188	Foster County Independent, Ads, Office Supplies, publishing	972.48
16189	Hardware Hank, Janitor supplies	340.35
16190	Healthcare Environmental Services, paper shredding	110.00
16191	Job Service North Dakota, Unemployment payment	3,549.82
16192	Dr. John Molstre, Witness fees	1,869.53
16193	Paul Murphy, Postage and cell phone reimbursement	330.90
16194	ND Emergency Management Assn, 2014 dues	30.00
16195	Office of Attorney General, gaming laws book	5.00
16196	OK Tire Store, Oil changes- sheriff	75.80
16197	Reliable Office Supplies, Extension office supplies	35.83
16198	Teresa Risovi, travel reimbursement	40.68
16199	Stutsman County Auditor, SA help	66.50
16200	Xerox Corporation, Copier lease	117.40
16201	Ahlers & Associates, Billing agreement/contract	480.00
16202	Computer Express, Technical assistance	125.00
16203	Information Technology Department, LERMS, WAN, etc.	678.15
16204	Lexipol, LLC, Sheriff's department laws handbook	1,485.00
16205	NDACo Resources Group, Antivirus	66.00
16206	ND State Radio Communications, 911 services, sheriff's dept	7,270.26
16207	Sidwell Company, Tax Department GIS	7,843.50
16208	Carrington Drug, Public Health office supplies	2.98
16209	Central Business Systems, Public Health Copier	402.48
16210	Merck, Sharp & Dohme Corp., immunizations	1,182.62
16211	Sanofi Pasteur, Immunizations	121.41

16212	Lisa Solwey, travel reimbursement	50.85
16213	Eileen Woolwine, immunization reimbursement	76.47
16214	Colleen Sweet, Cell phone and office supplies	94.01
16215	Donna Anderson, travel reimbursement	909.04
16216	Joel Lemer, Travel reimbursement	365.89
16217	Henry Head, Extra patrolling	160.00
16218	Lake Region Law Enforcement, Prisoner board	660.00
16219	CenturyLink, 9-1-1 expenses	191.88
16220	Brenda Hoeckle, travel reimbursement	64.74
16221	Arrowwood Prairie Co-op, Fuel- Sheriff, janitor, road dept.	4,090.65
16222	Briss Oil, Road Dept Fuel	887.00
16223	C&J Oil, Fuel- Sheriff, road dept, county health	11,838.89
16224	Neumiller Small Engine & Repair, road dept repairs	30.00
16225	RDO Equipment, road dept. repairs/parts	4,158.61
16226	Runnings, road dept. parts/supplies	226.99
16227	City of Glenfield, water/sewer for Glenfield shop	380.00
16229	Alco, Office supplies/Misc- Janitor, county health, Sheriff	271.70

With no further business, Commissioner Greger made a motion to adjourn at 10:55 a.m.
seconded by Commissioner Carr.

Noreen Barton
Foster County Treasurer

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 4, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Carr, Commissioner Greger, Sarah Aberle and Foster County Independent reporter, Leasa Lura, present.

The minutes from the January 21st meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the minutes as presented, Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Ray Topp and Alan Scanson addressed the board, on behalf of the hometown review, regarding a need for a new roof on the school in Grace City, which is used for a senior center, community center and cafe, and requested that the board consider using some county JDA funds to help pay for the roof. Total cost of the roof is estimated at \$80,000.00. Any amount approved by the commission would be contingent upon Hometown Review being able to raise the rest of the money needed through pledges and other fundraising. Mr. Topp and Mr. Scanson also stated that they also had been approved for a \$40,000 loan through Carrington JDA, and of that \$40,000, \$10,000 would be forgiven as a grant. Commissioner Carr moved to approve \$40,000, Commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Nate Monson, road foreman, addressed the board regarding the various roads that are currently heavy snow and blocked roads. He also commented on highway areas that are heavy snow, and stated how they plan to address issues. Mr. Monson then addressed the board on the suggested road projects and signs from the ND LRSP. The first project consisted of 1 dynamic warning sign, 2 street lights, and 2 sign and markings at a total of \$78,700. The second project was for 9 curve signs, 33 chevron signs, and 11 speed reduction signs for a total of \$75,805. The third project consisted of 26.5 miles of edge rumbles, 17 miles of 4 in. edgeline and 1 mile of 6 in. edgeline for a total cost of \$100,034. Commissioners requested that Nate ask for more information regarding the county's cost share should they approve any or all of these projects.

Dana Scherr, Tax director, was not able to attend the meeting and requested through email that the commissioners contact Bucephalia, Bordulac and Rose Hill Townships regarding outstanding abatements.

Commissioners discussed the 1 bid received from George Abell Construction for \$32,000 for labor. Commissioners discussed the bid, and believed that it was higher than expected. Commissioner Carr moved to reject the bid, commissioner Greger seconded, upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried. Commissioners stated that it will be bid out again in the spring in both the Foster County Independent and the New Rockford Transcript. Commissioners asked Sarah Aberle to send letter of rejection to George Abell Construction.

Sarah Aberle presented the board with a letter from ND Department of Emergency Services inquiring if Foster County spent \$500,000 or more in federal awards during Fiscal Year 2013. Commissioners asked Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager, if she could look at past years to see how the form had been filled out and report back to the Auditor's office, as the information needs to be filled out by and sent in by the Auditor.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager, addressed the commissioners regarding the ICS-300 & ICS-400 courses that needs to be completed by 10 Foster County employees. She is trying to get the courses scheduled for March 7-9 in Foster County, and is reaching out to other counties and communities to see if there is any interest and possibly help in covering the \$5200.00 course fee, as funding for these types of programs is no longer available from Department of Emergency Services, and covering the entire cost of the program would leave the Emergency Management budget stretched thin.

Teresa also addressed the commissioners regarding the last blizzard, which resulted in no travel advised and plows pulled from the roads. She stated that she had to call Nate Monson and ask that a plow escort an ambulance for a medical emergency; and asked the board how they would like to handle future occurrences.

Paul Murphy, States Attorney, addressed the questions that the board had regarding the late application received for the auditor position. Mr. Murphy stated that there were no legal standards on accepting or declining the application, and that it was strictly up to the commissioners on what they wanted to do. Chairman Straley stated that they would be setting a precedent if they accepted the application, and that they would have to do it for every position in the future. Commissioner Carr moved to advertise the position for one more week. Commissioner Greger seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Straley asked Mr. Murphy to send him his opinion on this matter in writing. Joel Rindy, Bill Bauer, and Doug Zink, attended the meeting regarding this issue to listen and ask questions.

Commissioners inquired if Mr. Murphy was able to get the documentation/letter from the Attorney General's office as requested. Mr. Murphy stated that he had called and that the AG office had stated that it was not their office policy to write letters on documentation or the AG office opinion on matters.

Mr. Murphy inquired on whether the commissioners were going to have him work on the Employee Policy Manual, or whether they were going to have the Great Plains Benefits Group take care of it. Commissioner Straley stated that the board had voted on keeping the service agreement with GPBG, so it should be them updating the policy manual, and that Foster County would need to send their suggestions for policy changes there for review.

John Murphy and Percy Beckley addressed the board regarding Mr. Beckley’s tax abatement, and upon discussion, decided to postpone any decisions until Tax Director, Dana Scherr, could attend the meeting. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Beckley agreed to come to the February 18th meeting at 10 AM.

Chairman Straley addressed the board regarding a bid that Sheriff Tufte received to purchase a new vehicle for the Sheriff’s department to replace Deputy Head’s current vehicle. The specs on the bid were the same as the specs on the current truck driven by Sheriff Tufte. Commissioners discussed whether any additional bids were needed since Hatton Ford had the state contract. Commissioners agreed that no other bids were needed. Commissioner Greger moved to approve the purchase of a new Sheriff’s vehicle, Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Greger moved to approve the Social Service bills as authorized by the County Welfare Board in the amount of \$24,446.50, and seconded by Commissioner Carr. Upon roll call, all vote aye. Motion carried.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

Auto	Withholdings- payroll January 1-15, 2014	\$	3,063.63
ACH	ND PERS- Deferred Comp		645.00
16228	Office of Attorney General- SCRAM Fees		310.00
16230	The Bakery Box- Adult Ed Catering		981.50
16231	Lyndsi Hesch- Adult Ed office supplies		44.94
16232	Reliable Office Supplies- Adult Ed Office supplies		23.15
16233	Tyler Speich- Adult Ed registration reimbursement		45.00
16234	Office of State Tax Commissioner- 4 th Quarter State payroll withholdings		2,228.74
16235	Zuercher Technologies- 9-1-1 Software		2,362.50
16237	Cardmember Services- Sheriff fuel		188.00
16238	John Deere Financial- Road dept parts		896.79
16239	Aflac- January premiums		2,188.29
16240	Reliastar Life Insurance- January Premiums		65.72
16241	Ottetail Power Co.- Electricity		2,823.48
16249-53 & ACH	Payroll- January 16-31		40,786.78
ACH	ND PERS- Deferred Comp		1,004.00
ACH	ND PERS- Retirement		14,791.11
AUTO	Withholdings- Payroll January 16-31, 2014		3,293.40
16267	Sarah Aberle- Travel reimbursement		47.04
16268	Beckman Beverages- water		40.00
16269	Central Distributing- water		51.00
16270	City of Carrington- water/sewer		224.88
16271	Dakota Dust-Tex- cleaning supplies		225.50
16272	Fergy’s Electric- fix florecent light fixture		36.95
16273	Foster Co. Treasurer- postage		240.42
16274	Henry Head- travel reimbursement		10.50
16275	ND Association of Counties- Special Operations Fund		400.00
16276	ND Association of Counties- Marriage Licenses		17.00
16277	Office Depot- Office Supplies		135.14
16278	Ratcliffe Law Offices- Services Rendered		531.24
16279	Reliable Office Supplies- Sheriff’s Office, office supplies		139.20
16280	Corean Swart- Wellness committee expenses		30.00
16281	T&B Farms- Snow removal at Public health		200.00
16282	Verizon Wireless- Cell phones		390.27
16283	Dr Jay Bauer- Health Board Salary		45.00
16284	James Carr- Health Board Salary		45.00
16285	Sonali Garr- Health Board Salary		45.00
16286	Lisa Weninger- travel reimbursement		7.84
16287	Holly Ziemann- Health Board Salary		45.00
16288	Carrington Computer- Office Supplies for Veteran’s Services		67.99
16289	ND Association of County Veterans Service Officers- 2014 dues		50.00
16290	Emergency Communications Network- Code RED extension for 911 & E. Mgmt		1,130.40
16291	Marco- Service Agreement		206.99
16292	Robert House- Travel reimbursement		60.48
16293	Curtiss Klein- Travel Reimbursement		43.68
16294	Elliott Paczkowski- Travel Reimbursement		116.48
16295	Lynn Schroeder- Travel Reimbursement		95.20
16296	Lisa Solwey- Travel reimbursement		50.40
16297	I.T.D.- Public Health WAN		175.00
16298	ND Dept of Health- WIC reimbursement		343.64
16299	Lisa Weninger- cell phone reimbursement		25.00

16300	Greater Ramsey Water District- water at Juanita Lake	42.00
16301	Griggs Co. Telephone- 9-1-1 services	269.91
16302	MDU Company- heating	972.29
16303	Northern Plains Electric- electricity	658.48
16304	Schulz Plumbing- parts for Road dept	112.79
16305	Runnings- parts for road department	137.14
16306	J.O.B. Welding & Repair- Snow Plow repair	150.00
16307	Locators & Supplies- mesh flagging material	332.89
16308	Eastman Township- gravel	206.00
16310	ND Game & Fish- Hunting/fishing licenses sold	16,392.00

With no further business, Commissioner Carr moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Greger seconded. Chairman Straley adjourned the meeting until February 18, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Sarah Aberle
Foster County Deputy Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 18, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Carr, Sarah Aberle, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Teresa Risovi, Doug Zink, John Murphy, Bill Bauer, and Joel Rindy present. Commissioner Greger attended via phone.

The minutes from the February 4th meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr moved to approve the minutes as corrected, adding Joel Rindy, Bill Bauer, and Doug Zink as attending, listening to discussion and asking questions regarding Auditor applications. Chairman Straley seconded after discussion regarding granting residents who attend the meeting the ability to speak. Chairman Straley stated that his reasoning for giving Joel Rindy limited permission to speak was because he does not know whether Joel will get aggravated/loud enough to where he believed the Sheriff will need to be called in. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Ray Topp and Alan Scanson addressed the board on behalf of Hometown Review regarding the Grace City Schoolhouse Roof, and Chairman Straley stated that in looking at the minutes from September 2003, it stated that the JDA funds distributed were to be small and give added value to agribusiness. Mr. Topp and Mr. Scanson inquired whether providing space for a new soil sampling business would then qualify them for the grant. Chairman Straley stated that they would have the States Attorney's office look into it and report back.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, addressed the board regarding the road projects suggested by the LRSP. During the February 4th webinar, they were told that the county cost of projects would be 10% and that the other 90% would be covered by grants. Additionally, any projects that border a state highway, the 10% would also be covered by the state. According to Nate's calculations, it would cost the county approximately \$15,000 for all of the projects listed, less the signs on the Pasta Plant Road as that was for more of an urban area, not a rural area.

Also addressed was crackseal material quotes. Nate discussed the quote from Swanston's at \$14,400.00 plus delivery for 10 pallets, and from Midstates at \$15,157.50 including delivery for 10 pallets. Nate stated that although the Midstates quote is higher, each pallet is heavier, it does include the delivery, and since the Midstates packaging is a poly packaging sealant, they would be able to put the entire thing in and have no waste to dispose of, rather than the time it takes to break down the cardboard totes from Swanston's. Commissioner Carr moved to go through Midstates Equipment for the crackseal material, commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried. Nate also stated that for durapatching the roads, he would be getting the CRS-1 oil from Seaboard Asphalt as it is the least expensive he's been able to find, and the chipped granite from Aggregate Industries. He stated that if Borderstates does make the CRS-2 oil, that he will go pick that up.

Commissioners discussed load restrictions with Nate, and decided that more would be discussed at the next meeting. Road conditions were also discussed, and Nate stated that they are trying to finish cleaning up the roads since it has been warmer the last couple of days. Bill Bauer stated that he much appreciated the work that Nate and the road crew had done this winter keeping the roads clear as much as possible, as it keeps his bus route shorter and easier on the kids who would have to ride for almost an hour and a half if they have to take an alternative route.

Finally, Chairman Straley asked Nate about the proposed pipeline water release, Nate stated that there should be no problems with that, and it should be OK to sign off on that release.

Teresa Risovi addressed the board regarding multiple topics. First was the City of McHenry's road into their lagoon; the FEMA 2013 dollar amount approved will not come close to covering the estimates received. They are working with ND DES to get the project approved since they would be spending above and beyond the amount approved. Proposals now would be to either fix the current road, or move the road/lagoon. Teresa is working on obtaining information from the National Weather Service for annual precipitation history and projections to help make that decision, and Interstate Engineering is helping with the construction plans, and has already started working on things so that the project can hopefully be completed this summer. Commissioner Greger inquired about a 14 foot trench that was discussed as an outlet; Teresa stated that she had not been made aware of any trench and since FEMA was very specific on what the approved funds could go towards, that the suggestion may have just been dropped.

Teresa stated that she has received updates on the ICS 300 & 400 courses. She is still looking for additional funding sources, but that they have dropped the course fee from \$5,200 to \$4,300, Griggs County would be contributing \$1875, Carrington PD would contribute \$500, Foster County Sheriff's Department would contribute \$300, and at this time the \$1625 would come from the Emergency Management budget, but that ½ of it would be from a grant. She stated that she would like to move forward and book the March 7-9 dates. Commissioner Greger moved to schedule the courses, Commissioner Carr seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Next, Teresa stated that ND DES is inquiring on the amount of sandbags that Foster County still has. In 2013, we declared that there were 2,000 bags. Commissioners confirmed that there are still 2,000 bags

available. Teresa suggested that depending on what the outlook was, that Foster County should schedule filling more sandbags, rather than waiting and needing to fill them on an emergency basis. A mutual aid agreement with Eddy County was presented to the commissioners, stating that we would work together in the event of an emergency. Commissioner Carr moved to sign the agreement, Commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Finally, Teresa updated the commissioners on the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, and stated that Ulteig, the contractor originally listed to do the mapping services, is no longer needed, as that service will be included in on the \$24,400 quote with Wenck, so it puts the county money ahead.

Sarah Aberle addressed the board regarding the upcoming primary elections, June 10th. There is the state-wide conference February 26-27 in Bismarck and a regional training March 10th in Jamestown; and anyone wanting to run for positions can get the documents from the Auditor’s office. Great Plains Directory Service dropped off new plat books. Great Plains Directory sells them for \$54.00 county cost is \$37.80. Sarah suggested selling the plat books for \$40 each. Commissioner Carr moved to approve selling the plat books at \$40 each, Commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Sarah inquired on which year to start looking in for documentation on exactly how the 3 mills for ambulance is split between Carrington and McHenry Ambulance departments. Chairman Straley suggested that Sarah check with Noreen. ND Federal Lands Access Program was discussed to see if there was anything that Foster County qualified for, as the Arrowwood Wildlife Refuge is in Foster County. It was decided that the only road that gave access to the refuge in Foster County was a state highway, and Foster County wouldn’t qualify for the program. Finally, Sarah discussed the Fundamentals of Employment Law seminar brochure that was mailed to the county, stating that the topics that would be discussed at this seminar are extremely relevant for the commissioners and all department heads; and that even if the county did not send anyone to this seminar, it would be very beneficial to have education in these areas in other ways. Commissioner Straley suggested checking with the ND Association of Counties to see if there would be any conferences/webinars addressing these topics.

Commissioners discussed the Auditor applications, and Chairman Straley suggested that each commissioner meet with the applicants separately and at the March 4th meeting, they would discuss and vote on who they would like to hire.

Dana Scherr, tax director, addressed the board regarding past due mobile home tax in Glenfield. She has tried to contact the owner multiple times with no success, and believes that they should start the process in taking ownership of the mobile home. Back taxes of the mobile home are currently \$76. Commissioners stated that Dana should start on the process with the States Attorney.

Commissioners discussed two abatements with Dana. The first abatement was for Cory Stangeland, for pasture land. Township has approved the abatement, and Dana is recommending approval of the abatement. Commissioner Carr moved to approve the abatement, Commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried. The second abatement was for Percy Beckley for 4 quarters of pasture and 1 quarter of water inundated land. Township has also approved this abatement. Commissioner Carr moved to approve the Percy Beckley abatement, commissioner Greger seconded. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried. Dana also advised the commissioners that there were 2 more applications received for Homestead Credit.

Commissioners phoned Paul Murphy, who is out of state, and asked that he check into the JDA funds for the Grace City Schoolhouse roof construction to see if Foster County would be able to grant the funds as originally requested, or if adding an agribusiness to the building would then qualify them for the funds.

Commissioner Greger moved to approve the Social Service bills as authorized by the County Welfare Board in the amount of \$3767.88, and seconded by Commissioner Carr. Upon roll call, all vote aye. Motion carried.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

ACH	ND PERS- Health Insurance	\$	24,364.02
16311	ND PEA- January Dues		56.00
16312	SuperValu Foods- Adult Ed		82.14
16349	Century Link- 9-1-1 Services		191.88
16350	Carrington Drug- Public Health Suppiles		26.99
16351	NAPA Auto Parts- Road Department parts		401.28
16352	Hedahl’s- Road Department parts		27.02
16353	C & J Oil- Fuel for Road Department		4,865.04
16354	OK Tire- vehicle maintenance for road and sheriff’s departments		639.29
16355	Chieftain Conference Center- Adult Ed		961.85
16356-57 & ACH	Payroll- February 1-15, 2014		27,365.19
AUTO	Withholdings- Payroll for February 1-15, 2014		2,574.63
ACH	ND PERS- Deferred Comp		725.00

16363	Sarah Aberle- Postage	33.50
16364	Carrington Hardware Hank- janitor and road department supplies	126.16
16365	Dacotah Paper- cleaning supplies/paper products	115.49
16366	Dakota Central Telecomm I- Phone bill	1,611.40
16367	Lindsay Dreher- cell phone reimbursement	10.00
16368	Evans Funeral Home- Transport to Bismarck	250.00
16369	Foster County Independent- States Attorney office supplies	81.98
16370	Great Plains Directory- Plat books	1,165.60
16371	Henry Head- Extra Patrolling	160.00
16372	Paul Murphy- Long distance and cell phone reimbursement	38.79
16373	ND Association of Counties- Conference registration	1,910.00
16374	ND Clerks Association- 2014 Dues	60.00
16375	Carol Paulsen- Witness Fee	25.00
16376	Dana Scherr- travel reimbursement	62.02
16377	SuperValu Foods- Wellness Committee supplies	8.19
16378	Xerox- February billing	70.46
16379	Information Technology Department- Netmotion, LERMS, WAN, VPN, Active Directory	503.15
16380	Sidwell Company- GIS Services	1,177.25
16381	Brown & Saenger- Office supplies for Public Health	9.09
16382	Carrington Dental Care- Office Supplies for Public Health	97.02
16383	Henry Schein- Public Health medical supplies	196.57
16384	Merck, Sharp & Dohme- Public Health medical supplies	1,942.28
16385	Bonnie Mullenberg- travel reimbursement	50.40
16386	Ramada Bismarck- lodging-Colleen Sweet	74.70
16387	Sanofi Pasteur- Public Health medical supplies	270.94
16388	Lake Region Law Enforcement- jail bill	2,340.00
16389	Brenda Hoeckle- travel reimbursement	163.40
16390	Arrowwood Prairie Co-op- Fuel	3,392.25
16391	Briss Oil- Fuel	503.99
16392	RDO Equipment- repairs and parts	28,149.13

Board reviewed the department revenue statements and approved for filing as follows:

Recorder, Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe	Fees for January 2014	\$2,486.00
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With no further business, Commissioner Carr moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Greger seconded. Chairman Straley adjourned the meeting until March 4, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Sarah Aberle
Foster County Deputy Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes from March 3, 2014 Special Meeting

At 10:00a.m. Chairman Paul Straley called to order a special meeting to hold interviews for an auditor. Present was Chairman Paul Straley, commissioners Les Greger, and Jim Carr, also present was State's Attorney Paul Murphy, Foster County Independent reporter Lease Lura, and Jeremy Risovi. It was decided Sarah Aberle would be the first candidate interviewed. The commission then went through and asked Sarah Aberle a set of questions. A question was posed by States Attorney Murphy as to whom Mr. Risovi was. Chairman Straley indicated that it was an open meeting and his presence was allowed. States Attorney Murphy indicated that Mr. Risovi's presence may be intimidating for the candidate(s).

Teresa Risovi was then asked the same questions. Once the interviews were done, Jim Carr made a motion to hire Sarah Aberle. The motion failed for a lack of a second. Les Greger then made a motion to hire Teresa Risovi, Jim Carr then questioned whether or not it was a good idea for Ms. Risovi to be hired due to the current pending charges against him and Teresa Risovi being a witness. Chairman Straley seconded the motion to hire Teresa Risovi. Carr requested that the decision wait two weeks in order to speak with his attorney regarding the issue. Chairman Straley indicated that the decision needed to be made today. Lease Lura attempted to ask a question, but Chairman Straley would not permit the question be asked. Chairman Straley called for a roll call vote, Jim Carr no, Les Greger yes, Paul Straley yes. Upon the roll call vote Teresa Risovi was hired as auditor. Greger made motion to adjourn, Straley seconded.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 4, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Greger, Commissioner Carr, Sarah Aberle, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Teresa Risovi, Bill Bauer, Joel Rindy, Roger Gussiaas, Ted Keller, Larry Hesch, and Joshua Dreher present at some during the meeting.

The minutes from the February 18, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Greger moved to approve minutes as presented, Commissioner Carr seconded. All voted aye, motion carried.

Chairman Straley stated to remove "auditor application" from the current agenda since that was handled at the special meeting on March 3, 2014.

Chairman Straley stated a letter was received from Mr. Roger Schlotman's attorney requesting payment of annual leave and sick leave. Chairman Straley turned the request over to the States Attorney's office.

Chairman Straley asked Tamara Becker to join the meeting to notarize the Oath of Office for the position of Foster County Auditor. Oath of office was signed by both Chairman Straley and Teresa Risovi. Chairman Straley dismissed Sarah Aberle to return to her office to continue her regular duties and Teresa Risovi took over as the official record keeper of the meeting.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, addressed the board regarding several issues. Mr. Monson turned in the blade hours to the Commissioners.

Mr. Monson discussed road restrictions and he requested to have the Foster County website changed from four miles to seven miles and to show eight ton as restrictions on the Grace City road from Hwy 200 going north to the curves, as well as the Barlow road from Hwy 281 West 1 mile to Barlow. Foster County will be following the State of ND's restrictions on the roads and highways and the information will be posted on the website.

Mr. Monson requested to purchase more barricades and temporary bases. Eight foot barricades (PVC with stands) called Type III, four at \$150.15 each and spring loaded stands for temporary signing called "little buster" signs, two at \$166.59 each. After a brief discussion, Chairman Straley approved ordering the barricades and bases.

The air compressor at the County shop is worn out per Mr. Monson. He stated that it leaks and the bottom is rusted out. It was originally purchased 41 plus years ago and it is not safe to use. Commissioner Carr suggested checking at the State's surplus for pricing and replacement.

Public Health's roof was discussed. The bid was originally rejected and Chairman Straley asked if it should be rebid. Commissioner Carr wanted to know why the building needs a new roof. Chairman Straley explained what the lumber company found after their inspection. After a discussion among the Commissioners about the roof, Chairman Straley asked Commissioner Carr if he would like to investigate the roof further which he stated he did and will report back to the board at the next meeting.

Sarah Aberle reported on the fire extinguishers at public health. There is concern that they have not been checked or charged. Sarah stated the tag on the extinguishers says, Smokies out of Jamestown. Chairman Straley asked Teresa Risovi to call Smokies to get a price and to get further information on the maintenance schedule of extinguishers.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager, reported that Grace City, McHenry, Glenfield, and Lake Juanita were all denied to obtain an outdoor warning siren through the grant that she submitted. Ms. Risovi explained the denial was because of lack of funding. Ms. Risovi stated that she is still waiting to hear if the City of Carrington was approved or denied for their sirens.

Ms. Risovi stated that the ICS 300 and ICS 400 combined course has been scheduled for March 7-9th. Originally Grigg's County was going to contribute \$1,875 to

go toward the instructor fees; however, they notified Risovi that their funds were pulled so they are unable to contribute that amount. She stated that they will contribute something but she didn't know the amount yet. Ms. Risovi asked the board for approval to continue with the class and to take the additional \$1,875 out of her budget. Ms. Risovi stated that Foster County will not hold another class like this for at least five years. Commissioner Greger made a motion to approve the addition \$1,875 to come out of Emergency Management's budget, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Commissioner Greger asked Teresa Risovi if it was her intent to hold both positions of Foster County Auditor and Emergency Manager. Ms. Risovi stated that is her wish. Commissioner Greger stated that if there is too much work and Ms. Risovi needs assistance she needs to come to the Commissioners to re-evaluate whether or not she should hold both positions. Ms. Risovi stated that her budget was approved to have an assistant and she wants to fill that position.

Sarah Aberle was asked to join the meeting to give an update on the election meetings she attended in Bismarck on February 26-27, 2014. The information that was given was computer software updates. Ms. Aberle stated there is an election meeting in Jamestown for regional training on March 10, 2014 and she was told it is a basic information training.

Chairman Straley stated that BCI returned all the documents and paperwork and the forensic audit team will be here on March 12-13, 2014 with and update of their findings at a later time.

Tamara Becker, Clerk of District Court, asked for the funding agreement for reimbursement to be approved. The amount currently being received is \$2,295 per month. Ms. Becker stated a letter needs to be sent to the State of North Dakota by April 1, 2014. Motion was made by Commissioner Greger to approve a letter be sent to request the same funding as the previous agreement, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Ms. Becker placed an advertisement in the Foster County Independent for a Deputy which will close on March 17, 2014. The position is for three days per week at \$13.66/hour with a 50 cent increase after six months and an additional 50 cents after one year. Ms. Becker asked for a Commissioner to sit on the interview board. Commissioner Greger stated he will assist with the interview process.

Chairman Straley addressed the entire room about the filing of the Auditor position. Straley stated that a decision was made and if anyone has an issue with the decision or the way the situation was handled that the individual(s) should file a complaint with the Attorney General's office.

Mr. Ted Keller asked why no one is allowed to speak; Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller he may speak because he is on the agenda. Mr. Keller stated he believes it is not right to have Teresa Risovi as the Auditor because it makes it impossible for Commissioner Carr to talk to the Auditor or the Auditor's office due to the criminal charges pending on Commissioner Carr. Mr. Keller stated there is already someone in the office that can do the job and that person should remain until election. Mr. Keller said the Commissioners could have waited to let the people decide. Mr. Keller went on to say that the Commissioners could not have picked a worse person for the position and Commissioner Carr has lost all contact with the Auditor's office. Chairman Straley stated that "we" all are witnesses and Commissioner Carr is to have no contact with any of "us."

Mr. Joel Rindy and Mr. Roger Gussiaas started a discussion in raised voices about the Auditor position. Mr. Gussiaas stated that many people voted for Commissioner Carr and the people should decide. Chairman Straley told both gentlemen to stop stalking. Mr. Gussiaas continued discussion. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Gussiaas to leave the meeting. Mr. Gussiaas stated he is on two boards and he resigns from both boards effective immediately. Chairman Straley stated that was fine and to put his resignation in writing. Commissioner Greger stated the opinion of the Attorney from Wells County is that Commissioner Carr is to have no contact with any

witnesses. Commissioner Greger stated that Commission Carr should contact his attorney for advice. Commissioner Greger stated that the Commissioners made a decision.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director, stated there was one homestead credit turned in.

Chairman Straley stated the Six County meeting is March 11, 2014 in Napoleon, ND.

States Attorney Paul Murphy presented the minutes from the special meeting on March 3, 2014. Commissioner Carr asked Teresa Risovi to read the minutes out loud. Following the reading of the minutes Chairman Straley noted a change that needs to be made in the last paragraph to move where Chairman Straley seconded the motion to move to right before the discussion occurred. States Attorney Murphy stated he will make the changes and provide a corrected copy. Commissioner Greger approved the minutes with changes to be made, seconded by Chairman Straley. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Murphy discussed the Hometown Review regarding the Grace City Schoolhouse roof and the JDA funds. Mr. Murphy stated there is no clearly defined definition for an Ag Business and that it might need to be amended to state what is exactly an Ag-related business. Mr. Murphy stated he does not know if the café is or is not an Ag-related business. Commissioner Carr stated to Mr. Murphy that a motion was already made to disperse the funds and that the motion stands. Commissioner Carr said to look at the Century Code. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy if the motion in regards to giving the \$40,000 was legal. Mr. Murphy stated the only hurdle is if it is or is not Ag-related. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy if he is willing to defend the decision if need be and Mr. Murphy said there still isn't anything defining what is Ag. Further discussion occurred between Mr. Murphy and Chairman Straley about it being defended as an Ag-related business because there is an individual who has a new soil sampling business that would be in the building. Motion was made by Commissioner Greger to allow the \$40,000, seconded by Chairman Straley. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley asked Teresa Risovi to send a letter informing Mr. Ray Topp and Mr. Alan Scanson of the decision.

Mr. Joel Rindy asked to be recognized by the board. Chairman Straley said, no. Mr. Paul Murphy discussed to Chairman Straley that maybe Mr. Rindy should be addressed. Chairman Straley stated that Mr. Rindy need to put in writing to the board why he wants to speak because Mr. Rindy gets out of hand. Chairman Straley said that Mr. Rindy needs to be on the agenda. Commissioner Greger stated it is a public meeting and people have a right to attend but not to speak. Mr. Murphy said it is part of the process to be heard and it is everyone's right to address the body. Mr. Ted Keller stated that perhaps someone should get the Attorney General's opinion. Commissioner Greger presented a pamphlet on open meeting laws. Discussion continued between Commissioner Greger, Commissioner Straley, Mr. Joel Rindy, and Mr. Murphy whether Mr. Rindy could be placed on the agenda as requested by Mr. Rindy. Mr. Murphy stated he will do some research and will report back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Straley left the meeting to get Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director to attend the meeting. Commissioner Carr and Mr. Murphy had a conversation on _____ topic. Mr. Murphy stated he did call the States Attorney from Wells but did not have her opinion. Commissioner Carr asked again if it was illegal. Mr. Murphy stated his opinion is that it is not illegal. Chairman Straley addressed the _____ topic to Commissioner Carr and asked if Commissioner Carr would like to clarify the conversation. Vice Chair Greger informed the board that what he understood about the conversation was about Commissioner Carr obtaining an opinion of the legality of appointing Teresa Risovi as Auditor and Commissioner Carr was referred to his attorney.

Mr. John Murphy addressed the Commission about land values. Noreen Barton, Treasurer, and Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director attended to be part of the discussion. A long discussion was held about mill levies and how they were calculated.

Mr. Murphy stated that Mr. O'Connor along with Roger Schlotman violated the Century Code. He stated that money was collected that no one had the right to collect. Mr. Murphy made the suggestion that everyone request an abatement or Foster County should give a reduction in 5-10% when paying taxes. Chairman Straley stated that he will schedule a trip to the Tax Department in Bismarck to discuss what Foster County should do. Mr. Murphy stated that he has a problem with that dealing back to the county shop issue. Chairman Straley then stated that he will take Teresa Risovi along to Bismarck. Commissioner Jim Carr suggested that Mr. Murphy go along and Mr. Murphy said he was willing to also make the trip to Bismarck. Chairman Straley told Teresa Risovi to call the Tax Department to see if something can be set up and make arrangements. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy for some time to investigate the situation and to see where Foster County goes from here. Mr. Murphy then stated that he has no problem with Noreen Barton or Dana Scherr.

Joshua Dreher addressed the board in a raised voice stating that this shouldn't be a board of one. Chairman Straley told Mr. Dreher he didn't allow him to speak. Mr. Dreher continued to address the board. Sheriff Tufte came back into the room and Mr. Dreher left.

Herb Bargmann with Wold Engineering along with Nate Monson addressed the board regarding the Kensal Road project. Mr. Bargmann stated the plans are done and set a bid letting date for the first meeting in April (April 1, 2014). Mr. Bargmann stated it needs to be placed in the newspaper for 21 days. He will provide the advertisement to Teresa Risovi who will then forward it to the Foster County Independent.

Nate Monson addressed the board on his findings for an air compressor. Mr. Monson stated he wished to purchase the compressor from Runnings at a cost of \$1,729.99. Motion made by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Greger. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi presented a letter from the North Dakota Highway Patrol about spring load restrictions. If Foster County wants to enlist the NDHP's assistance during the spring load restrictions a request needs to be submitted to the Regional Office. Motion made by Commissioner Greger to submit the request of assistance, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi addressed the board for the Deputy Auditor position. Ms. Risovi will be placing the job opening advertisement in the Foster County Independent to run for two weeks.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

Social Services bills approved and paid \$29,166.69

County bills approved and paid:

Auto	Noridian Healthcare Solutions	\$ 542.00
16393	Cory Stangeland- abated taxes	2,003.37
16394	Percy Beckley- abated taxes	900.41
16395	The Bakery Box- catering Adult Ed.	25.00
16396	Henry Head- Extra patrolling	80.00
16398	Foster County Treasurer- mobile homes & county specials	18,237.53
16399	Nicole Jacob- health insurance reimbursement	359.96
16400-05 & ACH	Payroll February 16-28, 2014	38,362.91
16411	NDPEA- February dues	56.00
16412	Reliastar Life Insurance- February premium	65.72
16413	AFLAC- February premium	2,188.29
16414	NDACo- public administrator program	851.32
16415	Woodward Farm- Catering- Adult Ed	770.00
Auto	NDPERS- Retirement	13,762.69
Auto	NDPERS- Deferred Compensation	1,084.00
Auto	Withholdings	3,004.59

16416	Sarah Aberle- Travel reimbursement	202.30
16417	Alco- office supplies	45.96
16418	Beckman Beverages- water & cooler rent	100.00
16419	Carrington Hardware Hank- janitor supplies	58.17
16420	Central Distributing- water & cooler rent	73.50
16421	City of Carrington- water/utilities	262.16
16422	City of Carrington- DSL at E. Management office	28.79
16423	Comfort Inn- Lodging- Tax Dept	148.00
16424	Dakota Dust-Tex- cleaning supplies	225.50
16425	Foster County Independent- office supplies & publishing	1,016.28
16426	Foster County Treasurer- postage	52.97
16427	Henry Head- Extra Patrolling	240.00
16428	Kelly Inn- Lodging- Auditor Dept	69.30
16429	MDU Company- Heating	835.38
16430	Paul Murphy- copier reimbursement	65.30
16431	ND States Attorney Association- Annual Dues	300.00
16432	Northern Plains Electric- Electricity	662.15
16433	Ottertail Power- Electricity	3,228.86
16434	Runnings- parts/repairs	99.24
16435	Safety Services Company- safety training manuals	614.94
16436	Dana Scherr- travel reimbursement	235.06
16437	Schulz Plumbing- fix frozen water lines	722.44
16438	Verizon Wireless- cell phones	390.27
16439	Xerox- monthly charge	70.46
16440	Lisa Solwey- fuel	10.30
16441	Colleen Sweet- travel, cell phone, office supplies	470.05
16442	Lisa Solwey- travel reimbursement	56.50
16443	Information Technology Department- WAN	175.00
16444	Lisa Weninger- Cell phone, fuel	36.20
16445	NDACo Resources Group- Anti-Virus	72.00
16446	Marco- printer contract	206.99
16447	Joel Lemer- travel reimbursement	361.48
16448	PharmChem, Inc.- patches & overlay	608.00
16449	Greater Ramsey Water District- water at Juanita Lake	42.00
16450	Griggs County Telephone- 9-1-1	269.91
16451	ND Association of Counties- random drug testing for 2014	203.00
16452	C&J Oil- Fuel	12,378.84
16453	Braun Intertec- Contracted services	1,549.98
16454	J&J Striping- gravel & rock	1,832.50
16455	J.O.B. Welding & Repair- road dept. repairs	711.00
16456	John Deere Financial- road dept. parts	269.95
16457	Newman Signs- road dept. signs	1,272.81
16458	West End Hide, Fur & Metal- road dept parts	42.95
16459	Wold Engineering- engineering services	13,229.09
16460	ND State Treasurer- fees collected	6,267.74

Board reviewed the department revenue statements and approved for filing as follows:

County Sheriff, Michael Tufte	Fees for January	\$265.00
Recorder, Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe	Fees for February	\$2053.00

With no further business, Commissioner Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:50AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on March 18, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 18, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Jeremy Risovi, Joe Lies, Bill Bauer, Joel Rindy, John Murphy, Robert Bailey, Carter Kleinsasser, Scott Fetch, Judy Keller, Ted Keller, Dean Tracy along with many others who did not sign in were all present at some during the meeting.

The minutes from the March 4, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Chairman Straley addressed the ____ topic to Commissioner Carr and asked if Commissioner Carr would like to clarify the conversation. Vice Chair Greger informed the board that what he understood about the conversation was about Commissioner Carr obtaining an opinion of the legality of appointing Teresa Risovi as Auditor and Commissioner Carr was referred to his attorney. Commissioner Greger moved to approve minutes with information added, Commissioner Carr seconded. All voted aye, motion carried.

The minutes from March 3, 2014 the "Special Meeting" were reviewed again with corrections from the last meeting. Motion by Vice Chair Greger to approve the Special Meeting as corrected, Chairman Straley seconded. Motion carried.

The minutes from February 18, 2014 were addressed because of an error. The minutes need to be corrected from saying Chairman Carr to Chairman Straley.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, addressed the board regarding several issues. Mr. Monson and crew opened all no snow plow roads last week. They will be starting to crack seal on 17 miles on the Bordulac road.

Mr. Monson discussed load restrictions and dates stating that Wells, Eddy, Barnes, and Stutsman have load restrictions on right now. After a short discussion, motion by Vice Chair Greger to put load restrictions on for Foster County, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson put an advertisement in the Foster County Independent for two weeks in regards to selling the old air compressor. Mr. Monson stated that he was going to dispose of the compressor but had been contacted by a couple residents who showed interested in purchasing it. The bids close on Monday, March 31, 2014.

Mr. Monson addressed the clay on the Big Hill. He asked if the clay was for use by townships or for sale. After a brief discussion, the Commissioners informed Mr. Monson that the township with interest in the clay should come to the next Commissioner meeting.

Cheryl Fettig, Maintenance Engineer was unable to attend the meeting but provided a report to the Auditor. Teresa Risovi read the report. Ms. Fettig stated the floor restoration of the courthouse is 50% complete. Total Clean of Jamestown is asking for the courthouse to be closed down so they can finish the process. They estimate that they will need about 80 complete passes on the main floor when they start the grinding process to restore the floor to its original state. Once they start grinding it will be hard to have people walking the halls. Once the grinding process is complete they will need to place a sealer on the floor (not wax). This process cannot be done in sections as they will need to start and finish in one application to not leave a distinguishable line. Ms. Fettig asked the Commission if it is possible to close the courthouse on March 25, 2014 after to speaking to courthouse offices and Total Clean. The restoration is part of a grant and needs to be completed within a year. The grant is a 50/50 match with the state historical society. Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to close the courthouse on March 25, 2014, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried. Chairman Straley asked Teresa Risovi to place an advertisement in the Foster County Independent stating the closure.

Chairman Straley addressed the Public Health roof and asked Commissioner Carr for an update. Commissioner Carr said he looked at the roof and no decision has been made at this time.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director was unable to attend the meeting but provided the Auditor a report. Teresa Risovi explained the reports and handed paperwork to the Commissioners. Ms. Scherr stated that she looked over the city abatements that were filed and after reviewing them she was recommending a reduction to parcel #03749000 (Randall & Mallory Hooey), which the City of Carrington approved. Ms. Scherr also recommended the same reduction to parcel #02825000 (Lester Schuldheisz), which was denied by the City of Carrington. Ms. Scherr recommended a reduction on parcel # 04095000 (Shane Black) as well as parcel #04073000 (Nicholas Hoffman). The City of McHenry submitted a recommended reduction to those parcels.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to reduce Mr. & Mrs. Hooey's, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

After a short discussion on Mr. Schuldheisz's reduction, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to deny the reduction, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve reduction to Mr. Black's property, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve reduction to Mr. Hoffman's property seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Ms. Scherr provided a report on Homestead Credit application and she stated that she received credit applications for the following properties and the mobile home taxes have been paid and refunds need to be issued. Lynn Flemmer, Darlis Short, and Dorothy Briss.

Kathleen Murray, Wells County State's Attorney addressed the Board of Commissioners with an update. Ms. Murray stated that Bryan Lang with BCI went through all the items they had taken and returned those items to the Auditor's office. There are some copies in place of the originals until BCI is able to give the originals back. She stated that she and/or BCI may need additional records and they might be contacting the Auditor's office for additional records. Ms. Murray explained that she might be meeting with Teresa Risovi in the Auditor's office again in the future to obtain additional information.

Mr. Ted Keller interrupted the meeting to request that the Commissioners move the meeting to accommodate all those who could not fit into the room. After a short discussion between Chairman Straley and States Attorney Murray a motion was made by Vice Chairman Greger to recess and move the meeting to the courtroom, seconded by Commissioner Carr.

Meeting was called back to order by Chairman Straley at 9:14AM at the Foster County Courthouse in the Courtroom.

Ms. Murray continued her discussion about requesting additional information. Ms. Murray stated that she did receive a request from Mr. Paul Murphy in regards to whether or not there is a conflict in hiring someone who is a witness in the criminal case to be in the Auditor's office. Ms. Murray explained that there is not a conflict because there's no conflict with people doing their jobs.

Chairman Straley addressed the Auditor position and wages. After a long discussion about combining both Emergency Management and the Auditor's office or not combining, and with input from Kathleen Murray explaining that the Commissioners will need a resolution to have both offices ran by Teresa Risovi as a department head and included in the resolution if there will be a percentage split for job duties per position or if they will be track hourly. Ms. Murray stated that the percentage split is what the Department of Emergency Services will appreciate because it is easier when dealing with reimbursement for the Emergency Management portion but that it was ultimately the Commissioners decision. Ms. Murray went on to explain that in the century code the Auditor is able to receive additional compensation when the duties are above and beyond the regular Auditor duties. She stated in this case that Teresa Risovi is entitled to receive additional compensation because Emergency Management is above and beyond. Ms. Murray stated there is an attorney general position that provides that it is not illegal to have two jobs as long as they are not incompatible such as Auditor having authority to hire or fire the dept head, etc. which is similar to this situation.

Melvin Schramm approached the microphone and stated that the commissioners are not getting the point because one person cannot do two jobs.

Chairman Straley recommended keeping both positions separate and to re-evaluate the workload on a yearly basis to see if Teresa Risovi is able to keep up with both job duties. Vice Chairman Greger stated that he agreed with Chairman Straley and stated that it is only fair to give Teresa Risovi a chance at doing both positions.

Chairman Straley requested a role call vote to keep Teresa Risovi as the Emergency Manager and as the Foster County Auditor. Commissioner Carr no, Vice Chairman Greger yes, Chairman Straley yes. Motioned Carried.

Chairman Straley asked Kathleen Murray if they as a board have to discuss wages and Ms. Murray explained that it is public record but it is up to the board. Chairman Straley recommended that the two positions are tracked by a percentage to keep it more simplistic for reimbursement purposes of Department of Emergency Services. Chairman Straley asked Teresa Risovi if she had a percentage in mind which Ms. Risovi replied that based off of her current workload and keeping in mind that she will retain a full-time Deputy Auditor and hire for an Assistant Emergency Manager which was approved at the last budget session, she believes a 70/30 Auditor/EM split would be appropriate. Chairman Straley then asked Ms. Risovi what the current wages for Auditor are which Ms. Risovi replied, \$38,286.48/yr and the Emergency Manager is \$28,068.00/yr. Chairman Straley asked Ms. Risovi if an increase of \$10,000 per year onto the current Auditor wages would be fair which Ms. Risovi replied that she preferred to make an additional \$11,731.52 onto the current Auditor wages to make it an even gross yearly salary. Chairman Straley stated, "to be clear then, you are asking for \$50,000 a year for the combined positions of Auditor and Emergency Manager" which Ms. Risovi replied, "yes." Chairman Straley and Commissioner Carr discussed whether or not Teresa

Risovi was an “Appointed” Auditor or “Auditor” and there was a brief discussion about what is an appropriate wage. Chairman Straley said Teresa Risovi is the Auditor.

Mr. Bill Bauer approached the microphone to address the board. Mr. Bauer stated that the new Auditor should not receive the same wages as the former Auditor. Ms. Kathleen Murray stated that the Commissioners have the authority to re-visit the salary and to make the decision. Chairman Straley stated that the employee that started as the Director of the Tax Equalization Department started at the wages that the former Director was making.

Mr. Joshua Dreher approached the microphone and addressed the board by stating the question of “Why are we paying an Auditor full-time wages when they are planning on working only 70% of the time as an Auditor?” Chairman Straley stated, thank you for your comments to Mr. Dreher.

Chairman Straley asked the board for a motion for Teresa Risovi’s wages for Emergency Management as the Auditor wages are \$38,286.48/yr. Chairman Straley stated that it needs to be noted that if later one of the two positions are split and the Emergency Management side is no longer the same department head as the Auditor that the Emergency Manager will go back to the current wage of \$28,068.00/yr. Vice Chairman Greger asked for clarification with the wages asking if Chairman Straley was asking for a dollar amount that will be added to the current wages of \$38,286.48/yr and that the amount is for the Emergency Management position. Chairman Straley confirmed that was the motion that he was looking to obtain. Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to add \$11,731.52 to be added to the current wages of \$38,286.48 as the Emergency Management salary. Vice Chairman Greger stated that Teresa Risovi will be putting in way more hours than 40 hours per week and that this decision will be saving the county more than \$16,000/yr. Seconded by Chairman Straley. Chairman Straley called for a role call vote. Commissioner Carr no, Vice Chairman Greger yes, Chairman Straley yes. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was discussion of the Commission board to be a board of three or a board of five. Vice Chairman Greger explained that he wanted this topic to be on the agenda because he feels a board of five is better. Ms. Kathleen Murray explained about zones and how a board of five would be split through the county but to vote by large but went on to explain that it is the board’s decision on how they would want to do it. Chairman Straley asked if it is a possibility for the voting by the people to be done by June for the Primary Election which States Attorney Paul Murphy explained probably not but it is possible for the General election. Mr. Murphy explained the details are important and there would be many decisions that would have to be made by the Board of Commissioners such as how long the terms would be.

Mr. Bill Bauer approached the microphone and addressed the board by explaining that there is a petition circulating now.

Commissioner Carr explained that very few counties have a board of five and that Foster has been a board of three and it has worked so why change it now. Commissioner Carr explained that he believes a board of three is best. Commissioner Carr stated that if the board was to get another like Straley in there and Les and Straley vote together it makes no difference.

Mr. John Murphy approached the microphone and addressed the board by stating that zones won’t work.

Vice Chairman Greger stated that if the petition is already circulating and if it goes forward then it will be up to the people to vote and see what happens.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager asked the board for approval to hire for an Assistant Emergency Manager. Ms. Risovi asked for a full-time assistant stating that she has it in her budget and that it was approved at the last budgeting hiring but that she did not fill the position at that time. She went on to explain that she originally budgeted for a part-time person but budgeted at 100% and therefore asking for full-time would not cost any additional money because Department of Emergency Services will reimburse the wages at 50%.

Commissioner Carr asked the board, “how are we saving any money?” Chairman Straley responded that it was in Teresa Risovi’s Emergency Management budget that was approved at the last budgeting session. Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to approve hiring a full-time Emergency Manager Assistant, seconded by Chairman Straley. Straley asked the board and the audience for further discussion, after hearing none Chairman Straley requested a role call vote. Commissioner Carr no, Vice Chairman Greger yes, Chairman Straley yes. Motion carried. Chairman Straley said to go ahead and advertise for a full-time assistant.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor had several items on the agenda. Ms. Risovi asked about the Game and Fish money from licenses. When there was only the Deputy Auditor in the office the Commissioners had the money placed in the General Fund. Ms. Risovi asked where the Commissioners would like the money to go going forward. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to have the money placed into the Auditor’s budget, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi informed the Board that the previous Auditor was the designee for the Superintendent of Schools and she received an email asking who will be replacing the former person. Ms. Risovi explained that she spoke with Noreen Barton, Treasurer and she was willing to take that

position. Chairman Straley said that since Ms. Barton was unable to attend the meeting that he wants to table the item until the next commission meeting.

Ms. Risovi asked for one of the Commissioners to volunteer to assist with the interviews for the Deputy Auditor position. Commissioner Carr volunteered. Chairman Straley asked Ms. Kathleen Murray if there would be any conflict and Ms. Murray stated no, just as long as Commissioner Carr and Ms. Risovi just discuss the interview process.

Finally, Ms. Risovi told the Board of Commissioners that her office received a request for release of information on an employee. The request was for all payroll information and all time sheets. Ms. Risovi stated that her office sent an email to Mr. Paul Murphy's office to get his opinion which his secretary replied that the only thing people should be able to have is the amount of hours worked and the rate of pay. Ms. Risovi stated that she also contacted Ms. Kathleen Murray, States Attorney for Wells County and her reply was under 44-04-18.1(2)(3) payroll information and non-confidential information in a personnel file are exempt and are not required to be released. There is no legal requirement that requires the release of payroll information. The overall budget is an open record to be released, but not payroll information. If you are refusing the request, you need to cite the statute as a reason for rejecting the record. Ms. Murray went on to say, I do not know if the Foster County Commissioners have made any kind of decision about releasing payroll information. Generally most County Commissioners do not release payroll information as there is confidential information in the record, and you would have to redact numerous information. The public does not have the right to know specific hours and/or payroll amounts. The overall budget provides public information about the amounts to employees. Other information in payroll and payroll deductions are confidential (specifically for example health insurance, flex plans, W-4 deductions, and retirement contributions). Only upon the permission of the Foster County Board of Commissioners would you be allowed to release the information to the public in a person's payroll because they are exempt. Exempt means that it requires the Board to allow the release.

Vice Chairman Greger asked about the legality to Ms. Kathleen Murray. Ms. Murray stated the Attorney General has opinions on these types of matters and states some things are open record like budgets but not employees information. Ms. Murray said the Board needs to make a decision on how they want to handle this matter in regards to the current request and for future requests.

Commissioner Carr asked for more time to look into the matter. Chairman Straley clarified Mr. Carr's request with him and confirmed that the matter would be re-addressed at the next Commissioner meeting. Motion by Commissioner Carr to re-address the release of information at the next Commissioner meeting and a seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Chairman Straley asked for any additional discussion. Vice Chairman Greger stated that if the release of information would be in violation to the Century Code than he believes the information should not be given out.

Mr. Ted Keller approached the microphone to address the Board. Mr. Keller stated that he was the one who requested the information and he believed he was very clear with what he wanted. Mr. Keller, Mr. Paul Murphy, Vice Chairman Greger, and Ms. Kathleen Murphy discussed in detail what information can be provided. Mr. Keller went on to say that Foster County is already in violation because he made the request days ago and he has yet to obtain any paperwork he requested. Mr. Keller went on to say that he only wanted to know how many hours the employee worked. Mr. Keller stated again, "you did violate the law because you did not respond."

Commissioner Straley asked Teresa Risovi when the request was made, which she replied that the email from Mr. Murphy's office was dated on Friday, March 14, 2014 and Ms. Risovi stated that the Auditor's office received the information from Mr. Murphy the following day after requesting it; therefore the request from Mr. Keller was on Thursday, March 13, 2014.

Mr. Murphy stated the vouchers would have the information that Mr. Keller is requesting and that payroll information is public record and therefore that could be provided. Mr. Murphy said that vouchers are not confidential and providing open records is the goal because it is the tax payer's money. Mr. Murphy stated that he believes the Board should comply to the request from Mr. Keller.

Ms. Kathleen Murray agreed that the vouchers are public information.

Chairman Straley addressed Commissioner Carr and stated that originally the motion was made by Commissioner Carr to have more time and was seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Chairman Straley asked, "do we want to wait two more weeks?" Commissioner Carr stated he still wants two more weeks. Chairman Straley called for a roll call vote. Commissioner Carr yes, Vice Chairman Greger no, Chairman Straley no. Motion defeated.

Deputy Danielle Rosewaren addressed the Board about the 24/7 program. Deputy Rosewaren stated that money has been taken out of the wrong funds and she is requesting some transferring of money to correct the problem. Deputy Rosewaren provided the Board with documentation going back to 2011 when the 24/7 program started. Deputy Rosewaren is requesting \$140 from the 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol Testing, and 416 Lab Fees to be transferred to 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc.

For the year 2012, Deputy Rosewaren is requesting \$420 be transferred from the 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol Testing, and 416 Lab Fees into 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 393 Blood Tests. Additionally, \$189 to be transferred from 2961 Attorney

General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol Testing, and 416 Lab Fees into 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc.

For 2013, Deputy Rosewaren stated the new trail balance reflects \$2,167.97 actual cash on hand and \$2,804.84 expended. The yearly revenue was \$4,972.81. The cash received for the year was \$2,968 but the expenditures were wrong. Five invoices for impaired driving/seatbelt patrol were paid out of the 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc. in the amount of \$880. Two invoices for impaired driving/seatbelt patrol were paid out of 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol Testing, and 490 Misc. Once invoice for urine testing was paid out of 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol testing, and 490 Misc. in the amount of \$25. One invoice for 24/7 medical supplies was paid out of the 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc. in the amount of \$79.88. Four invoices for drug patching testing were paid out of 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 393 Blood tests in the amount of \$357.

Deputy Rosewaren is requesting the following transfers:

Transfer \$880 from the 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 339 DOT Grant be transferred to 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc.

Transfer \$160 from 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 339 DOT Grant to 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol testing, and 490 Misc.

Transfer of \$25 from 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 416 Lab fees to 2961 Attorney General, 4215 Drug and Alcohol testing, and 490 Misc.

Transfer of \$79.88 to be transferred from 2961 Attorney General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc into 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 490 Misc.

Transfer of \$357 from 2961 Attorney General 24/7, 4215 Drug and Alcohol testing, and 416 Lab Fees into 1000 General, 4211 County Sheriff, and 393 Blood Tests.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to transfer the money requested by Deputy Rosewaren to correct the 24/7 program, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Deputy Rosewaren stated that the 2014 24/7 program will be watched much more closely between the Sheriff's Department and the Auditor's office. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Tim with Duck's Unlimited addressed the Board about a land sale with Lee Walen. Tim stated that Duck's Unlimited is working with Lee Walen to purchase a portion of his land for restoration of the wetland. It is the NE corner of Mr. Walen's property. Tim told the Board that this is an informal meeting; however it will require approval at a later time from the Board. Vice Chairman Greger asked if Duck's Unlimited will own the land, which Tim replied yes. Vice Chairman Greger asked if Duck's Unlimited will pay all taxes on that portion of the land and Tim replied yes.

Donnie Theis and Tom Carr with Carrington Township addressed the board about a paving project for Carrington Township. Mr. Theis stated that there is interest to have the road paved coming off of Hwy 281 toward the Golf Course. Mr. Theis asked the Board if there is a County ordinance book which all Commissioners stated they did not believe so. Commissioner Carr stated in all his years, he has not seen one. Mr. Theis asked the Board if they are to follow the Century Code then since there is no ordinance book. He stated that Nikki Mertz is working with an Engineer out of Bismarck who deals in paving roads to assist them. Chairman Straley referred Carrington Township to Tom Moe who is the attorney that works for the townships. Chairman Straley stated that Carrington Township needs to follow the Century Code and the expense would be the township's.

Mr. Theis told Chairman Straley he had one more thing and he presented a bill to Chairman Straley concerning payment for gravel for damage down to a township road and asked Chairman Straley why it hasn't been paid. Chairman Straley stated that was the first time he had seen the bill. Mr. Theis told Chairman Straley that Nikki Mertz sent it out. Chairman Straley stated again that he had never seen the bill before but he will pay it.

Mr. Ted Keller was next on the agenda with many items listed for discussion. Mr. Keller addressed the Board about the 3/3/14 Special Meeting. Mr. Keller presented the advertisement from the Foster County Independent and pages from the Century Code. Mr. Keller said the meeting was illegal and provided the Board with remedies from the Century Code 44-04-21.2. He went on to say that the Board has hired someone and paid from one account to another. Mr. Keller said he is not going to get involved in a lawsuit but that the Board needed to remedy the situation and admit they made a mistake. Mr. Keller stated that he will contact the Attorney General's office for an opinion. He told the Board that they did not stick to the agenda on 3/3/14. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller to obtain an opinion from the Attorney General's office. Commissioner Carr stated that the 3/3/14 meeting was illegal as per stated by Mr. Keller. Mr. Keller asked the Board if they are going to resolve the mistake. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller to talk and that the floor is his. Mr. Keller said that he has 10 minutes per the agenda which Chairman Straley replied yes but you also have a lot of items you requested to address the Board about. Mr. Keller asked Chairman Straley again if Chairman Straley is going to resolve the matter. Vice Chairman Greger asked Keller if he is planning on obtaining the Attorney General's opinion. Mr. Keller asked why he should have to. Chairman Straley referred Mr. Keller again to the Attorney General's office. Vice Chairman Greger also told Mr. Keller to go ahead and go to the Attorney General's office to get an opinion. Mr. Keller continued to

discuss the legality with the Board at which time Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller that he is out of order and asked Mr. Keller to remain quiet. Mr. Keller stated that he had nothing else.

Melvin Schramm approached the microphone and addressed the Board about the Job Development and the County JDA funds. Mr. Schramm told the Board that there are two different funds. He stated that the County JDA has a cap of \$80,000 which started in 2004. In 2012, the 2.66 Mills went to Job Development with 2/3 of that going to Carrington. Mr. Schramm went on to say that he is concerned about the \$40,000 going to Grace City for the Schoolhouse Café when there isn't going to be additional jobs.

Vice Chairman Greger stated that the towns on the East side don't have the same opportunities to generate money as say Carrington, giving them the money gives them some money and incentives for businesses to move in there.

Commissioner Carr stated that if you remove the Grace City Café by taking away the money, then that is the end of Grace City. Commissioner Carr said, "we need to help out these smaller towns."

Chairman Straley stated that he has never heard of the \$80,000 cap. Chairman Straley said we wouldn't have put the Mill to exceed \$100,000.

Vice Chairman Greger stated that the money that was given to the Community Center, which is part of the Hometown Review, requires the community to secure funds privately. He stated that they will be doing some fund raising to obtain the money that is needed.

Mr. Roger Gussiaas approached the microphone and told the Board that he is happy with the motion of \$40,000 in regards to the café because helping smaller communities is the right thing to do.

Mr. Roger Guisaas was on the agenda for communication issues. Mr. Guisaas said he just has a comment to make. He told the Board that when he calls someone he wants communication. He stated, "All three of you need to communicate and there needs to be an improvement."

Chairman Straley discussed with the other Board members the letter of resignation from Mr. Roger Gussiaas from boards Soils Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee. Chairman Straley asked for a motion to accept the resignation. Vice Chairman Greger asked if the Board has to accept Mr. Gussiaas' resignation. Ms. Kathleen Murray said no but he can still resign. Vice Chairman Greger said he would really like to see Mr. Gussiaas stay on. Ms. Murray said that the Board can request he stay on. Vice Chairman Greger asked the Board if he could talk to Mr. Gussiaas one-on-one and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Chairman Straley said the Commission meeting was in recess to move back downstairs to the Commission room.

At 11:26AM the meeting resumed in the County Commission room.

Commissioner Carr asked Teresa Risovi to ask the Sheriff to join the meeting. Sheriff Mike Tufte came into the Commission room and Commissioner Carr asked Sheriff Tufte about the bill to fix the Deputy's vehicle. Commissioner Carr questioned the amount of \$4,800 by saying that there are too many repairs that went into that vehicle and asked the Sheriff why he is keeping the vehicle if it was going to cost that much. Sheriff Tufte explained that it was one of those repairs where it starts as one or two things wrong and then it keeps building from there. Commissioner Carr asked if there was still a new pickup ordered, which Sheriff Tufte said yes.

Chairman Straley stated that the used vehicle was a used state vehicle and that they will break down and things need to be fixed. Chairman Straley also stated that the vehicle that was repaired will be a spare vehicle once the new pickup arrives.

Teresa Risovi handed the Board a letter from WBI Transmission line and asked the Board if they have ever seen anything like it before. It is a letter asking for Foster County to review their report on gas transmission and gas gathering mileage. Chairman Straley and the other Board members have not seen anything like it before and informed Ms. Risovi to try talking to the Road Supervisor, Nate Monson.

Social Services through Teresa Risovi presented a request to transfer \$75,000 into Social Services. Commissioner Carr wanted to know how many times this transfer has occurred. Chairman Straley requested that Darlene Carr come to the meeting. Darlene Carr arrived and stated that one other time Social Services has asked for a transfer. Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve the transfer of funds, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Ms. Darlene Carr introduced the new Social Services employee that will be replacing her. The new employee is Ms. Guynell Klein.

Vice Chairman Greger asked Teresa Risovi to check with Colleen Sweet and with Lisa Solwey on the cell phone bill for reimbursement and to see what it is for. Vice Chairman Greger said that he

believed all long distance was free on cell phones but wanted to know what exactly the reimbursement was for.

Commissioner Carr asked Chairman Straley if there was a meeting with the Tax Department. Vice Chairman Greger asked if he could also attend the meeting or if there would be an issue since Chairman Straley will be going to the meeting. Ms. Kathleen Murray said to be safe just make notice of a special meeting so there isn't a problem. Commissioner Carr asked who would all be going to Bismarck and Teresa Risovi stated Chairman Straley, Teresa Risovi, Dana Scherr – Tax Equalization Director, Noreen Barton – Treasurer, and Mr. John Murphy in addition to Vice Chairman Greger. Chairman Straley said that he is hoping to have the meeting here in Carrington so that all of us do not have to travel to Bismarck.

Commissioner Carr asked Teresa Risovi to print out the minutes from October, 2011 and to provide them to the Board because he has a question. Ms. Risovi provided copies to all three Board members as well as Ms. Kathleen Murray. Commissioner Carr made reference to the October 20, 2011 meeting the paragraph that says, "Auditor presented an informal quote for the 2011 annual audit from Rath & Mehrer, CPA's of Bismarck, ND in the amount of \$5,400. Hart moved to retain the audit firm for 2012 budget cycle, seconded by Straley. All voted aye." Commissioner Carr asked about his charges to Ms. Murray. Ms. Murray stated that she cannot talk about his charges.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

Social Services bills approved 3/18/14 \$5,135.75

County bills approved and paid:

16486	Office of Attorney General-	\$ 370.00
16520	ND Sheriff's & Deputies Assoc.- Dues	50.00
16521-22 & ACH	Payroll- March 1-15, 2014	28,332.69
AUTO	Withholdings- Payroll, March 1-15, 2014	2,668.27
AUTO	NDPERS- Health Insurance	23,143.80
16529	Dell Catalog Sales, LP- tablet & accessories- Auditor	1,330.70
16530	The Bakery Box- meals- ICS 300 & 400 classes	800.00
16531	Tim Beach- Instructor fee- ICS 300 & 400	1,461.61
16532	Brown & Saenger- Office Supplies- County Extension	6.70
16533	Cardmember Service- Sheriff fuel	15.00
16534	James Carr- Travel Reimbursement	123.20
16535	Dacotah Paper- janitor supplies & vacuum	535.89
16536	Dakota Central Telecom I	1,594.37
16537	Lindsay Dreher- Cell phone reimbursement	10.00
16538	Foster County Independent- Office supplies & publishing	611.54
16539	HR Collaborative- HR Conference	150.00
16540	Myra McCulloch- Witness Fees	50.00
16541	Paul Murphy- Cell phone, postage, copier	116.03
16542	OK Tire- sheriff's vehicle repairs	563.45
16543	Reliable Office Supplies- Extension office supplies	206.39
16544	RM Stoudt- Sheriff's vehicle repairs	4,815.28
16545	Sea Change- Election supplies	1,843.66
16546	Stutsman County Auditor- Drug Taskforce	5,000.00
16547	Robert Wetzler- Instructor Fee- ICS 300& 400	2,568.32
16548	Dr. Jay Bauer- Public Health training	45.00
16549	Sonali Garr- Public Health training	45.00
16550	Dr. Michael Page- Public Health training	45.00
16551	Kyle Smith- Public Health training	45.00
16552	Holly Zieman- Public Health training	45.00
16553	Alco- Breakroom supplies- Courthouse & public Health	27.40
16554	Brown & Saenger- Office Supplies- Public Health	228.87
16555	Sanofi Pasteur- Medical Supplies- Public Health	34.95
16556	Lisa Weninger- travel reimbursement	111.39
16557	Colleen Sweet- Cell Phone Reimbursement	67.29
16558	Sidwell Company- mapping services	1,177.25
16559	Dell Marketing, LP- Software- Public Health	238.80
16560	Information Technology Dept-	678.15
16561	NDACo Resources Group- Technical Support	65.00
16562	NDACo Resources Group- AntiVirus	69.00
16563	Watch Guard Video- Sheriff's Video Equipment	526.00
16564	The Bakery Box- Cookies- Adult Ed	10.00
16565	NDSU Extension Service- wages & travel	18,372.24

16566	Lake Region Law Enforcement- jail bill	2,400.00
16567	Stutsman County Correction Center- jail bill	240.00
16568	CenturyLink- 9-1-1 billing	191.88
16569	Comfort Inn- Lodging- Brenda Hoeckle	148.00
16570	Brenda Hoeckle- Travel reimbursement- 9-1-1	239.09
16571	Arrowwood Prairie Co-op- Fuel	2,649.02
16572	Briss Oil- Fuel	388.49
16573	Hedahl's- Road Department parts	81.54
16574	Midstates Equipment- Road department-	15,036.89
16575	NAPA- Road department parts	42.89
16576	NDACo Resources Group- Webinar registration	30.00
16577	Newman Traffic Signs- Road Department	1,618.26
16578	RDO Equipment Co.- Road Department Parts	1,828.54
16579	Aflac- February 2014 premium	2,188.29
16580	NDPEA- February 2014 dues	56.00
16581	Reliastar- February 2014 premium	65.72

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder	February Revenue	\$2,053.00
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With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Meeting adjourned at 11:54AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on April 1, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 1, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Ted Keller, Judy Keller, John Murphy, Dean Tracy, Joshua Dreher, Melvin Schramm, Joel Rindy, Leo Straley and many others were all present at some time during the meeting.

The minutes from the March 18, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Vice Chairman Greger asked that the minutes be corrected to not address the Grace City Café as café; the minutes should reflect that the building is called the Community Center which is part of the Hometown Review. Vice Chairman Greger also wanted the original minutes that showed \$40,000 as an amount that the Hometown Review will have to obtain to show that the community is working to secure funds privately.

Commissioner Carr stated that he never made the statement that the 4 million surplus was way off and requested it also be removed.

Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to approve the March 18, 2014 minutes with the above stated corrections, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The minutes from the February 4, 2014 and February 18, 2014 minutes were presented to correct the Chairman's name to show Chairman Straley instead of Chairman Carr adjourned the meeting.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, presented a report since he was unable to attend the meeting. Auditor Teresa Risovi presented each Commissioner with a copy of the report.

Per the report provided, Mr. Monson stated the crack sealing on the is just about done on North of Hwy 200 and will be starting South of Hwy 200 next week.

The bid opening for the old shop air compressor will be open today at 10:00am.

Mr. Monson stated that there has been an offer of \$25 for the old privacy fence and old whiskey barrels by the north side of the Sheriff's garage. Chairman Straley suggested that a sign is posted on the bulletin board to accept bids until Friday April 4, 2014. Motion made by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commission Carr. Motion carried.

Culvert on golf course towards PV road is in bad shape and the culvert is starting to rust. The road is eroding on both ends and around the culvert. The current culvert is 5ft by 45ft and Mr. Monson made the suggestion of adding 6ft to extend 3ft on each end, then cover each end with rock to help stop the eroding on the ditch bank. Mr. Monson stated that a 51ft x 60" culvert would run approximately \$4,000 before installation. Per Chairman Straley this item is tabled until the Commissioners and visit with Mr. Monson to obtain additional information.

Auditor Teresa Risovi provided Chairman Straley with the Special Meeting minutes from March 3, 2014. Chairman Straley stated that the minutes need to be corrected to remove the word "interim" auditor to reflect auditor. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to make the above correction to the Special Meeting, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley presented a letter from the State Treasurer Kelly Schmidt in regards to the Township Road Mileage Certification that is due by July 1, 2014. After a long discussion, the Commission Board requested a letter be sent to all townships requesting they verify their roads and due to some apparent changes from past years, Auditor Risovi is to consult with States Attorney Paul Murphy on the matter prior to sending out a letter.

Lisa Sowley, RN; Holly Zieman; Robin Simonson; and Cheryl Fettig all attended the meeting to discuss a maintenance resolution to the Public Health building. Lisa Sowley discussed that the Public Health's building has certain requirements that have to met to meet the standard that is needed in a facility such as Public Health. The group provided a spreadsheet to the Commissioners showing how involved the cleaning process is. Robin Simonson, Infectious Control with CHC, also commented on the difference between having a janitorial person for an office space versus a janitorial person for a facility such as Public Health. The Health Board met on March 31, 2014 and unanimous decision of the Board was to recommend hiring a separate cleaning person to clean the Public Health building. Public Health will need 1 ½-2 hours per day five days a week for cleaning. Public Health is also flexible in the hours the individual can work, they can either work early morning or after the building closes for seeing patients. Motion by Commissioner Carr to advertise for a part-time cleaning person, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. With no further discussion, motion carried.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor clarified the Game and Fish money from the previous meeting explaining that she had originally believed the money could go into the Auditor's budget; however, the money would have to paid directly to Risovi. Ms. Risovi requested the money go to the General Fund instead of a check coming personally to her. The Board of Commission approved the request.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the elevator estimate. After a short discussion, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to approve the repairs on the estimate, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

9:25AM Recess by Chairman Straley to move the meeting to the Community Room in the basement of the Foster County Courthouse to accommodate the number of citizens attending the meeting.

9:40AM Meeting was called back to order by Chairman Straley.

Ms. Risovi continued with next item on the agenda. Ms. Risovi provided the Board with an estimate of door repairs to the handicap bathroom door located in the basement of the Courthouse. After a short discussion, the estimate was tabled until Ms. Risovi can get clarification on the repairs from the Maintenance Engineer.

Ms. Risovi explained that the new Deputy Auditor will start on April 14, 2014.

Ms. Risovi read the list of the Public Information Requests aloud to the Board.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with two letters in regards to the resignation of the Assistant States Attorney for Foster County; one from Ms. Kathleen Murray, SA from Wells County and another from Paul Murphy, SA from Foster County.

Ms. Risovi explained that a resolution was provided to the SA but has not received it back yet and will provide further information at the next meeting.

Teresa Risovi, EM asked for a Commissioner to volunteer to sit on the interview board for the Assistant Emergency Manager position. Vice Chairman Greger volunteered.

Vice Chairman Greger gave an update on Mr. Gussiaas's resignation letter, stating that he did have a conversation with Mr. Gussiaas. Mr. Gussiaas asked to give him some time to think about staying on the boards. Vice Chairman Greger asked for Mr. Gussiaas's resignation to be put back on the agenda for the next meeting.

Commissioner Jim Carr had an update on the Public Health roof. Commissioner Carr asked Leo Straley and Ted Keller to all explain in detail how the roof could be repaired. Mr. Straley explained that he will provide an estimate to the Board. After a brief discussion on the possible repairs, a motion to re-bid the roof by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Noreen Barton, Treasurer gave a tax update. Ms. Barton provided Linda Leadbetter from the State Tax Department with documentation on the Mills for Bordulac Township. Ms. Leadbetter sent an email back to Ms. Barton explaining that she did review the documentation and she believes the Mills were adequate for Bordulac Township. Ms. Leadbetter also provided the same letter to Mr. John Murphy. Ms. Barton asked Mr. Murphy if he received the letter from Ms. Leadbetter which he stated yes but he is not questioning Bordulac Township, he believes the mistake is when calculating the Mills in the General Fund. Ms. Barton will do some more research.

Teresa Risovi asked Noreen Barton to attend the Commission meeting in regards to the Designee of Superintendent of Schools and Risk Management. Ms. Risovi request that the two additional duties be transferred to Ms. Barton. Chairman Straley asked Ms. Barton if it was her intent to take over the two tasks which she replied yes.

Vice Chairman Greger addressed the recall petition. Vice Chairman Greger said he just wanted to make a statement that since the recall petition started he has been receiving real good encouragement to keep doing what he is doing.

Bid Opening for the Air Compressor and Lawn Mower were next on the agenda.

Chairman Straley opened the only bid for the Air Compressor. Only one bid was submitted which was by Mr. John Murphy for \$57.00. Motion made by Commissioner Carr to award the bid to Mr. Murphy, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. All voted aye, motion carried.

Chairman Straley opened the bids for the Lawn Mower.

Erickson Implement:	Snapper Pro 5200 XTBU 2861 Commercial mower for \$6,651.00
	Ferris IS 2100I Commercial mower for \$7,172.00
	Woods FZ28K Commercial mower for \$10,430.00
Runnings:	Cub Cadet Tank L 60 KH for \$5,999.99
Leading Edge:	John Deere Z930R Commercial for \$10,150.00
	John Deere 997 Commercial L.C. for \$15,500.00
Kracht Implement:	Bush Hog EC 2761 KH2 for \$7,368.00

A brief discussion about which mower would be the best fit for the Lake Juanita area between Commissioners and Commissioner Carr stated to stay with a gas mower since there is gas at Lake Juanita. Motion to accept Runnings bid of \$5,999.99 by Commssioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. With no further discussion all voted aye. Motion carried.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director submitted abatements as listed according to the decision the soils committee recommended. Donna Otto Parcels #02149000 \$66,200; #02180000 \$27,500; #02183000 \$48,000. Jeff Bata Parcel #00472000 \$11,900. Charles Bata Parcels #00389000 \$40,300; #00391000 \$83,400; #01394000 \$57,500. John Murphy Parcels #00422000 \$26,900; #00449000 \$69,300; #00461000 \$19,700; #00500003 \$12,800; #00556000 \$93,900 (only 40 acres pasture), #00627000 \$70,200; #01519001 \$35,100.

Motion to accept Donna Otto's abatements as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Motion to accept Jeff Bata's abatement as presented by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Motion to accept Charles Bata's abatements as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Motion to accept John Murphy's abatements as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Paul Murphy, SA approached the Board of Commissions to answer any legal questions. Chairman Straley gave SA Murphy the complaint filed against the Foster County Board of Commissioners from Mr. Ted Keller and Mr. Leo Straley. Mr. Murphy read the complaint and said he would get an opinion from the Attorney General's office.

Vice Chairman Greger asked Mr. Murphy about the resignation of the Assistant States Attorney and Mr. Murphy explained that he has several Assistant States Attorneys and contracts those individuals to cover or handle conflicting cases as needed. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy to stay for the rest of the meeting.

Commissioner wages was addressed by Chairman Straley. Mr. Straley asked Mr. Paul Murphy how the Commissioner pay works and whether or not the Commissioners are to be paid the same wages. Mr. Murphy stated he will have to look into the matter and report back on the issue.

Mr. Ted Keller provided a letter to the Board of Commissioners that was addressed to Teresa Risovi from Kathleen Murray. Mr. Keller read the letter aloud that Ms. Murray told Ms. Risovi how to negotiate for her wages. Mr. Keller asked if Ms. Risovi was a constitutional officer which Chairman Straley told Mr. Paul Murphy to check into it and Mr. Keller then stated that Ms. Risovi is a constitutional officer. Mr. Keller continued to point at the Board of Commissioners as well as Auditor Risovi. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Keller to move onto his next item on the agenda.

Mr. Keller spoke about open records requests and stated that Ms. Risovi violated the law twice. Mr. Keller stated that he never received the request that he wanted and Ms. Risovi overcharged him. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller to file a complaint with the Attorney Generals office. Mr. Keller continued to debate at the Board of Commissioners and Auditor Risovi. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller to move onto the next item on the agenda. Mr. Keller continued which Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller he is out of order.

The next item Mr. Keller spoke of was the meeting notice requirements and he stated that he and Mr. Leo Straley have filed a complaint against the Foster County Board of Commissioners for an illegal meeting.

Joshua Dreher addressed the Board of Commissioners about the recall petition. Mr. Dreher stated the success rate has been unbelievable in obtaining signatures. Mr. Dreher stated that 419 signatures are needed but to be safe he wanted to obtain 500 and they are trying to get 15% extra.

Chairman Straley read a letter aloud from the City of Carrington which stated that it was official written notice of the proposed annexation of the following property: the east half of the southeast quarter (E ½, SE ¼) in section twenty-four (24) township 146 north of range 67 west of the fifth principal meridian, Foster County, ND excepting therefrom a tract of land referred to as Auditor's lot 17 according to the survey thereof. The said annexation description contains 27.32 acres more or less. The City Council will meet on April 14, 2014 at 7:30PM at City Hall to address the issue and all protests must be filed with in the City Auditor's office in writing before the hearing. The property to be annexed is currently owned by the City of Carrington.

Chairman Straley called the meeting to recess at 10:45AM to move back to the County Commissioner Room to pay bills.

Chairman Straley called the meeting back to order at 10:50AM to pay bills.

Teresa Risovi, explained that payroll voucher was not completed; however, payroll itself was completed. Ms. Risovi asked the Board if the payroll voucher could be signed at the next Commissioner meeting which Chairman Straley said, yes.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

Social Services bills approved 3/31/14 \$23,379.19

County bills approved and paid:

16581	Reliastar Life Ins. Co. of NY	\$65.72
16582	John Deere Financial	537.43
16583	ND community Corrections Association	50.00
16584	Randall & Mallory Hooey	468.08
16585	Nathan Monson	184.70
16586	Nathan Monson	232.72
16587	Nathan Monson	49.00
16588	Joel Lemer	92.35
16589	HiWay Tesoro	21.84
16590-16591	VOIDED checks	0.00
16592	Nicholas Hoffman	369.60
16593	Shane Black	238.91
16594	Foster County Treasurer	910.83
16595-16599 & ACH	Payroll March 16-31, 2014	68,652.31

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder	March Revenue	\$2,259.00
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With no further business, Vice Chariman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 11:07AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on April 15, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 15, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Dean Tracy, Caroline Eli and many others were all present at some time during the meeting.

The minutes from the April 1, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr stated that the comments that Mr. Keller yelled should be removed from the minutes stating that Mr. Keller speaks loudly. Vice Chairman Greger agreed the comments referring to Mr. Keller yelling should be removed from the minutes.

Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to approve the April 1, 2014 minutes with the above stated corrections, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley signed the March 18, 2014 and March 3, 2014 meeting minutes.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, presented a report with many items to address.

Mr. Monson stated the crack sealing is finished on the north end of Hwy 200 and they have about 1 ½ miles left on the south side of Hwy 200.

Mr. Monson informed the Commission of the culvert on the golf course towards PV road is in rough shape. The culvert is starting to rust and extensions on each end are caving in. Additionally, the road is eroding on both ends and around the culvert. The current culvert is 5' x 45' and Mr. Monson made the suggestion of adding seven feet by extending approximately three feet to each end and to also cover the ends with rock to help stop the eroding. Pricing received for a 12 gauge and 14 gauge 60" x 52' culvert are as follows:

Bruce Willyard	12 gauge, \$2,790.00 (insulation only, no culvert)	
Gilbertson's	12 gauge, \$4,134.00	14 gauge, \$3,016.00
Biel Trucking	12 gauge, \$3,620.00	14 gauge, \$2,815.00
True North Steel	12 gauge, \$4,080.96	14 gauge, \$3,290.04

After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to go with a 12 gauge culvert. Mr. Monson stated that Carrington Township will pay \$500 of the culvert and the County will cover the rest of the cost. Motion made by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Biel Trucking's quote for a 12 gauge culvert, seconded by Commissioner Carr. With no further discussion, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson discussed the warranty on the 2009 772G, Mr. Monson reviewed the amount of hours on the equipment and the warranty cost. Since a decision on the warrant does not have to be made until November, 2014, the Board decided to table the warranty discussion.

Mr. Monson stated he would like new skidsteer forks. Pricing for a new set were: Leading Edge quoted \$1,485 and Biel Trucking quoted \$850. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the set from Biel Trucking for \$850, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye, motion carried. Mr. Monson will check with the Weed Board to see if they will be willing to contribute some money also.

Mr. Monson handed out the Safety Awareness report for the Safety Highway Project. Mr. Monson reviewed the overall cost with the proposed improvements at a grand total of \$320,886 with the cost to the County at 10% (\$32,089). The proposed improvements are not mandatory and the County can choose some or all of the improvements per Mr. Monson. The report showed edge rumbles for 32.3 miles and a cost of \$144,240 with a County cost of \$14,424. Dynamic warning sign, street lights, signs and markings for a total of \$104,400 and a County cost of \$10,440. The last part of the report had rural curves with chevrons, warning speed signs, rumble strip, and shoulder paving to the Grace City Road for a total of \$72,246 and a County cost of \$7,225. After discussion among the Board, Mr. Monson stated he will ask to make a decision on May 6, 2014 which will allow the Board more time to think about the improvements.

Finally, Mr. Monson told the Board that the Road Department will start 10-hour shifts starting next week.

Lisa Solwey, RN – Foster County Public Health addressed the Board about the janitorial position. Ms. Solwey stated the position has been advertised in the Foster County Independent and will close on April 30, 2014. Ms. Solwey asked for a Commissioner to sit-in on the interviews explaining that some of the Health Board members will also be on the interview board. Commissioner Carr agreed to assist in the interview process.

Next Ms. Solwey asked about a starting wage. The Board stated that new employees start at \$13.66/hr.

Ms. Solwey asked if the new person would also be responsible for snow removal and maintenance work since the advertised hours are for cleaning. Chairman Straley stated that the snow removal, maintenance, and allotted hours will be looked at after the new person starts and see how things go.

Opening of bids for the 2014 Road Supplies.

Tires. No bids received.

Rental of Heavy Equipment / hourly rate:

KD Hoyt, Inc.	CAT D6H Dozer	\$140
	CAT 627 Scraper (20 cubic yards)	\$180
	CAT 637C Scraper (30 cubic yards)	\$240
	CAT 140G Blade	\$110
	Terex 2766 off road truck	\$110
	CAT D300 off road truck	\$110
	Side dump/bell dump tractor trailers (20 cubic yards)	\$110
	Front end loaders (4 cubic yards)	\$140
	Excavator	\$160
	Packer – pull type	\$95
	Disc – pull type	\$95
	Water truck (3000 gal)	\$95
	** project mobilization has been included in the pricing	

J&J Striping	Payloader	\$110
	Excavator	\$120
	Dozer	\$110
	Backhoe	\$95

Pat Biel Trucking	Komatsu 500 payloader	\$110
	JD 644 payloader	\$90
	D65 Dozer	\$110
	Excavator	\$130
	Tri axle or quad	\$80
	DSM dozer (CAT)	\$130
	** pricing includes operator	

Tom Gilbertson	Dozer 130 HP 6way	\$120
	Dozer 120 HP 6way	\$180
	Excavator 200 JD	\$150
	Excavator 300 Komatsu w/thumb	\$185
	644 JD loader 4 yd – 6 ½ yd	\$120
	644 JD grapple	\$140
	Blade	\$80
	Dump truck	\$85
	Side dump	\$110
	Belly dump	\$100
	Disc reclaimer	\$80
	Scraper – 30 yard combo	\$325
	Scraper – 36 yard combo	\$325

Motion to accept all bids by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gravel: crushing, hauling, loading, and royalties:

Clifford Gleason	Crushing and stockpiling	\$3.10/cy
	Loading from stockpile	\$0.70/cy
	Hauling 1-3 miles	\$1.25/cy
	Hauling for each mile thereafter	\$0.22/cy
	Loading pit run	\$1.00/cy
	Royalties	\$1.20/cy

Biel Trucking	Hauling first 3 miles	\$1.40/cy
	Hauling each mile thereafter	\$0.26/cy
	Loading pit run	\$0.70/cy
	Loading gravel	\$0.65/cy

KD Hoyt, Inc.	Crushing and stockpiling	\$2.50/cy
	Screening and stockpiling	\$2.00/cy
	Crushed and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$3.75/cy
	Screened and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$2.25/cy
	Loaded and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$1.70/cy
	Each mile over 3	\$0.26/cy
	Hauling 10 miles and over	\$0.24/cy
	Stripping and backfilling pit	\$3.00/cy
	Embankment loaded and hauled	negotiable

Embankment loaded & hauled from stockpile negotiable
Riprap load, haul and place \$32.00/cy
** all bid items listed are tied. Project mobilization has been included in the pricing.

Tom Gilbertson	Crushing and stockpiling (royalty included)	\$4.50/cy
	Loading from stockpile	\$0.75/cy
	Screening and stockpiling	\$2.00/cy
	Hauling (1-3 miles)	\$2.00/cy
	Hauling for each mile thereafter	\$0.30/cy
	Stripping or backfilling gravel pit	\$325/hr
	Loading pit run	\$0.75/cy
J&J Striping	Loading	\$0.55/yd
	Hauling (3 miles or less)	\$1.00/yd
	Hauling (over 3 miles)	\$0.28/yd/mile

Motion to accept all bids by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Center Striping:		
J&J Striping	Painting	\$0.10/LF
Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept bid, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.		

Culverts:

Tom Gilbertson –					
Diameter	Gauge	Spiral/LF	Riveted/LF	24” connecting band 16ga	Flared end sections
12”	16	\$8.50	\$11.50	\$19.00	\$45.00
15”	16	\$10.50	\$14.25	\$23.00	\$57.00
18”	16	\$12.75	\$17.50	\$28.00	\$77.00
24”	16	\$16.25	\$22.75	\$35.50	\$98.50
30”	16	\$20.75	\$29.00	\$45.00	
36”	16	\$25.75	\$35.00	\$58.00	\$350.00
42”	16	\$31.00	\$42.00	\$65.00	
48”	16	\$33.00	\$45.50	\$77.00	\$765.00
12”	14	\$10.50	\$14.50		
15”	14	\$13.00	\$18.00		
18”	14	\$15.75	\$21.50		
24”	14	\$20.25	\$28.50		
30”	14	\$25.00	\$35.50		
36”	14	\$30.75	\$43.00		
42”	14	\$35.00	\$49.50		
48”	14	\$41.00	\$57.00		
60”	14	\$58.00	\$80.50	\$119.00	\$1360.00
72”	14	\$70.00	\$97.25	\$140.00	\$1622.00
96”	14	\$92.50	\$128.50	\$262.00	
36”	12	\$41.75	\$58.50		
42”	12	\$48.25	\$74.00		
48”	12	\$55.75	\$88.00		
60”	12	\$78.50	\$108.00		
72”	12	\$91.50	\$129.00		
84”	12	\$110.75	\$153.50	\$228.00	
96”	12	\$127.00	\$176.50		
60”	10	\$99.00	\$139.00		
72”	10	\$121.00	\$168.00		
84”	10	\$139.00	\$193.00		
96”	10	\$159.00	\$222.00		

True North Steel –

2 2/3”x1/2” CORRUGTAIONS
ROUND

Ga	Dia	Spiral	Riveted	End sec	12”/w bnds	12”w/bnds 2pc
	8”		\$9.47	\$72.23	\$14.20	\$18.94
	10”		\$9.85	\$74.67	\$14.77	\$19.70
16	12”	\$8.55	\$10.54	\$51.71	\$15.81	\$21.08
16	15”	\$10.55	\$13.01	\$57.87	\$19.51	\$26.01
16	18”	\$12.55	\$15.47	\$64.01	\$23.21	\$30.95

16	21"	\$14.45	\$17.83	\$77.09	\$26.74	\$35.65
16	24"	\$16.45	\$20.29	\$91.39	\$30.44	\$40.59
<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>12"/w bands</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	60"	\$40.00	\$49.33			
16	72"	\$47.91	\$59.09			

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>24" w/bands</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	12"		\$31.62
16	15"	\$32.52	\$39.02
16	18"	\$38.68	\$46.42
16	21"	\$44.57	\$53.48
16	24"	\$50.73	\$60.88

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>12"/w bands</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$25.03	\$30.97	\$156.54	\$46.45	\$61.94
14	36"	\$29.95	\$37.05	\$205.63	\$55.58	\$74.11
14	42"	\$34.77	\$43.03	\$519.78	\$64.54	\$86.05
14	48"	\$39.60	\$49.00	\$604.90	\$73.50	\$98.00
14	96"	\$78.31	\$96.89			

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>24" w/bands</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$77.42	\$92.91
14	36"	\$92.63	\$111.16
14	42"	\$107.56	\$129.08
14	48"	\$122.50	\$147.00

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
12	42"	\$47.98	\$59.56		
12	48"	\$54.66	\$67.85		
12	54"	\$61.34	\$76.15	\$701.66	\$228.44
12	60"	\$68.02	\$84.44	\$1029.61	\$253.31
12	66"	\$74.70	\$92.73	\$1131.41	\$278.18
12	72"	\$81.38	\$101.02	\$1226.96	\$303.05

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
10	60"	\$85.29	\$106.06		
10	66"	\$93.66	\$116.46		
10	72"	\$102.02	\$126.86		
10	78"	\$110.38	\$137.26	\$1359.48	\$411.78
10	84"	\$118.83	\$147.77	\$1611.14	\$443.30
10	90"	\$127.20	\$158.17	\$2861.48	\$474.50
10	96"	\$135.56	\$168.57	\$2949.60	\$505.70

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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	15"	17"x13"	\$10.90	\$13.36	\$48.69	\$26.72
16	18"	21"x15"	\$12.96	\$15.89	\$57.10	\$31.78
16	21"	24"x18"	\$14.92	\$18.31	\$72.42	\$36.62
16	24"	28"x20"	\$17.00	\$20.84	\$83.58	\$41.68

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	15"	\$40.07
16	18"	\$47.67
16	21"	\$54.93
16	24"	\$62.53

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	35"x24"	\$25.88	\$31.82	\$157.53	\$63.64
14	36"	42"x29"	\$30.96	\$38.07	\$230.72	\$76.14
14	42"	49"x33"	\$35.95	\$44.20	\$397.54	\$88.41
14	48"	57"x38"	\$40.94	\$50.34	\$495.73	\$100.68

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$95.45
14	36"	\$114.20
14	42"	\$132.61
14	48"	\$151.02

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>24"w/bands 2pc</u>
12	42"	49"x33"	\$49.64	\$61.22		
12	48"	57"x38"	\$56.55	\$69.74		
12	54"	64"x43"	\$63.45	\$78.26	\$620.32	\$234.78
12	60"	71"x47"	\$70.36	\$86.78	\$810.80	\$260.35
12	66"	77"x52"	\$77.27	\$95.30	\$1122.66	\$285.91
12	72"	83"x57"	\$84.18	\$103.82	\$1192.81	\$311.47

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>
10	60"	71"x47"	\$88.26	\$109.03
10	66"	77"x52"	\$96.91	\$119.72
10	72"	83"x57"	\$105.57	\$130.41

5"X1" CORRUGATIONS
ROUND

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>
14	48"	\$42.09
14	54"	\$47.18
14	60"	\$52.36
14	66"	\$57.45
14	72"	\$62.64
14	78"	\$67.82
14	84"	\$72.91
14	90"	\$78.09
14	96"	\$83.18

12	72"	\$87.52
12	78"	\$94.67
12	84"	\$101.91
12	90"	\$109.06
12	96"	\$116.30
12	102"	\$123.45
12	108"	\$130.69
12	114"	\$137.85
12	120"	\$145.00

10	96"	\$144.39
10	102"	\$153.34
10	108"	\$162.20
10	114"	\$171.16
10	120"	\$180.11
10	126"	\$189.06
10	132"	\$197.93
10	138"	\$206.88
10	144"	\$215.83

ARCHED

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equiv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>End Section</u>
14	48"	53"x41"	\$43.49	\$858.83
14	54"	60"x46"	\$48.75	\$1167.15
14	60"	66"x51"	\$54.11	\$1541.53
14	66"	73"x55"	\$59.37	\$2068.52
14	72"	81"x59"	\$64.72	\$2178.65
14	78"	87"x63"	\$70.08	\$2964.07
14	84"	95"x67"	\$75.34	\$3058.83
14	90"	103"x71"	\$80.69	\$3425.83
14	96"	112"x75"	\$85.95	\$3962.60

12	72"	81"x59"	\$90.48
12	78"	87"x63"	\$97.88
12	84"	95"x67"	\$105.36
12	90"	103"x71"	\$112.76
12	96"	112"x75"	\$120.24
12	102"	117"x79"	\$127.64
12	108"	128"x83"	\$135.12

12 114" 137"x87" \$142.52

ARCHED				
<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equiv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>End Section</u>
12	120"	142"x91"	\$149.91	
10	96"	112"x75"	\$149.33	
10	102"	117"x79"	\$158.58	
10	108"	128"x83"	\$167.75	
10	114"	137"x87"	\$177.01	
10	120"	142"x91"	\$186.27	

Motion made by Commissioner Carr to accept all bids, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger.
Motion carried.

Hay land:
Brandon Gussiaas \$52.00

Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the bid, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Rubber:
Midstates Equipment & Supply Maxwell Nuvo 3405 MN with polyskin packaging sealant
2,250 lbs per pallet. Three pallets @ \$0.665/lb = \$4,488.75
** pounds are approximate – actual pounds will depend on actual amount shipped.

Opening bids for Kensal Road project:

Mayo Construction	\$1,871,009.95
Knife River Materials	\$1,929,393.83
Border States Paving	\$2,076,811.50
Central Specialties	\$2,056,579.80

Herb with Wold Engineering explained that the Engineers estimate was \$2.1 million. The Kensal project is the first five miles of the Kensal Road from the County line North.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the bid from Mayo Construction, seconded by Chairman Straley. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor read the names of the individuals that are running in the primary election. Ms. Risovi stated that there were two deadlines that were missed in regards to the upcoming election; the first was the deadline for the postcard applications. Ms. Risovi explained to the Board that she did place the order but the pricing had changed, the cost for 2000 applications was \$700. The other deadline was in regards to the precincts that are in the system. After a long discussion it was decided to keep precincts the way they are currently in the system. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley to keep the precincts the same for 2014. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi presented the District Court funding agreement. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr to accept the agreement. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi asked the Board to set a price for the plat books from FHP. The cost to the County was \$21.90/book. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to set the selling price at \$22/book, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi updated the Board on the family restroom repairs. Ms. Risovi presented emails from the Maintenance Engineer Cheryl Fettig showing the quote from DJ Kocke and another email indicating that ATM Construction denied to provide a quote. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to have Klocke Woodworks to provide the repairs at \$670 provided the Historical Society approves the repairs, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager stated the new Assistant will start soon. Her name is Jessica Earl and will be moving to Carrington from Bismarck.

Vice Chairman Greger updated the Board on the resignation letter from Roger Gussiaas. Mr. Greger stated that it is Mr. Gussiaas wish to resign from the Soils Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee. Motion to accept the resignation by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a proposed advertisement for the Public Health Roof bid. With no further discussion or revisions, a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to place the advertisement in the Foster County Independent, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried. The advertisement will be in the Independent April 20 and April 27, 2014.

Dana Scherr – Tax Equalization Director sent a report for abatements. The report was given to the Commissioners and after a short review, Chairman Straley requested Ms. Scherr attend the meeting to clarify the recommendations for abatements.

Upon arrival of Ms. Scherr, the first abatement was for Gary Doeling parcels #01523000 for \$80,600 and parcel #01527000 for \$67,600. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger to approve abatements for Mr. Doeling as presented. Motion carried.

Another abatement for John Murphy parcel #01519001 for \$35,100 was explained and presented by Ms. Scherr. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Mr. Murphy's abatement as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Jeff Golz the care taker for Lake Juanita had several items to discuss with the Board. Mr. Golz asked the Board if the bathroom up North can be fixed so it can be used, stating the windows are broken and birds are inside. Vice Chairman Greger and Mr. Golz will work together and obtain a quote from a contractor.

Mr. Golz is requesting the rocks by the fishing pier be removed. Vice Chairman Greger will talk to Tom Gilbertson & Sons to get a quote.

More plugins are needed for campers on the South side per Mr. Golz. Mr. Golz will contact an electrician and get a quote.

Mr. Golz asked if he and his wife could paint the inside of the bathroom. The Board approved the request and told Mr. Golz to pick up the paint and supplies and turn the receipts to the County.

Mr. Golz handed out a flier showing new playground equipment. It is a red plastic slide to replace the old rusted slide at Lake Juanita. There is a Garrison Diversion grant that will pay up to \$1061. The price for the proposed new slide/playground equipment is \$6,610.

Finally, the Board agree to give Mr. Golz a raise in salary. Motion by Commissioner Carr to increase Mr. Golz wages to \$2,000 per year, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Auditor Teresa Risovi presented a lost check affidavit. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger to sign the affidavit. Motion carried

States Attorney Paul Murphy joined the meeting and gave an update on the Commissioner salaries. Mr. Murphy stated that he hasn't found anything in the NDCC that states a reason for a difference in Commissioner salary. Mr. Murphy will continue to do more research.

Mr. Murphy stated the current Auditor is a constitutional officer.

Commissioner Carr discussed with States Attorney Murphy the wages of the Auditor in addition to presenting a copy out of the NDCC listing the duties of the Auditor. Mr. Murphy stated he will check with other States Attorneys and will report back in regards to when or if an Auditor is entitled to additional pay for duties assigned.

Board on motion approved the following bills:
Social Services bills approved 4/15/14 \$7,897.16

County bills approved and paid:

16600-16601	Void	
16602	ND Association of Countries	\$1,063.88
16603-16646	Void	
16647	Northern Plains Electric Coop	\$618.45
16648	Teresa Risovi	\$19.99
16649	John Deere Financial	\$537.43
16650	Lisa Weninger	\$25.00
16651	Raymond Peterson	\$57.00
16652	Ottertall	\$2,669.07
16653	Verizon	\$390.27
16654	Foster County Treasurer	\$241.95
16655	Leslie Greger	\$262.08
16656	Lynell Lyman Hoppe	\$62.48
16657	Lisa Solwey	\$114.80
16658	Colleen Sweet	\$124.51
16659	Teresa Risovi	\$278.88
16660	Reliable Office Supplies	\$30.27
16661	Matthew Bender & Co	\$212.31
16662	Running's	\$1,863.61
16663	Beckman Beverages	\$24.00
16664	T&B Farms	\$105.00
16665	Hiway Tesoro	\$140.00

16666		Central City Lumber	\$82.73
16667		Cobblestone Inn	\$74.40
16668		Schulz Plumbing & Heating	\$27.82
16669		City of Carrington	\$238.30
16670		Nathan Monson	\$39.99
16671		Aggregate	\$1,612.00
16672		Randy's Electric	\$145.00
16673		Dacotah Paper	\$196.61
16674		Greater Ramsey Water District	\$42.00
16675		MDU	\$788.60
16676		JOB Welding	\$405.00
16677		Tough T Manufacturing	\$24.98
16678		Wells County Social Services	\$3,226.63
16679		Wells County Social Services	\$2,341.57
16680		Wells County Social Services	\$531.07
16681		Wells County Social Services	\$1,690.86
16682		Wells County Social Services	\$49.71
16683		Eddy County Social Services	\$1,827.94
16684		VOID	
16685		Carrington Hardware Hank	\$3.78
16686		BW Plus Seven Seas Hotel	\$249.00
16687		Arrowwood Prairie	\$307.07
16688		Central Distributing	\$39.00
16689		Information Technology Dept.	\$5.30
16690		Alco	\$16.48
16691		Staples Credit Plan	\$122.76
16692		NDACO Resources Group	\$97.50
16693		Ward County Social Services	\$1,138.61
16694		Council On Aging	\$26,248.77
16695	ACH	Garrison Div Con District	\$1,376.16
16696		City of Carrington	\$17,268.73
16697	ACH	Foster County Historical	\$341.33
		Foster County Soil Conservation	
16698	ACH	District	\$2,671.57
16699	ACH	City of Glenfield	\$26.59
16700	ACH	City of Grace City	\$6.74
16701	ACH	Airport Authority	\$1,021.06
16702	ACH	Carrington Park District	\$2,801.74
16703	ACH	New Rockford-Sheyenne SD #2	\$199.62
16704	ACH	Midkota School District #7	\$9,640.75
16705	ACH	Carrington School District #49	\$93,120.08
16706	ACH	Kensal School District # 19	\$19,050.26
16707	ACH	Eastman Township	\$125.55
16708	ACH	Mckinnon Township	\$2,547.18
16709	ACH	Bucephalia Township	\$1,905.06
16710	ACH	Bordulac Township	\$349.52
16711	ACH	Melville Township	\$506.41
16712	ACH	Longview Township	\$574.07
16713	ACH	Wyard Township	\$258.24
16714	ACH	Carrington Township	\$2,963.37
16715	ACH	Rose Hill Township	\$4,960.25
16716-16726	ACH	VOID	
16727	ACH	Haven Township	\$3,316.84
16728	ACH	Rolling Prairie Township	\$132.36
16729	ACH	Glenfield Township	\$350.42
16730	ACH	McHenry	\$116.78
16731	ACH	Florence Township	\$225.11
16732	ACH	Larrabee Township	\$399.94
16733	ACH	Nordmore Township	\$382.77
16734	ACH	Estabrook Township	\$4,820.26
16735	ACH	Birtsell Township	\$1,731.63
16736	ACH	Eastman Township	\$125.55

16737	ACH	Glenfield Fire District	\$75.52
16738		ND State Treasurer	\$1,446.16
16739		Jeff Bata	\$45.28
16740		Charles of Jane Bata	\$211.86
16741		Foster County Treasurer	\$16,543.10
16742		Ted Keller	\$4.25
16743		Doug Zink	\$1.80
16744		Joshua Dreher	\$1.05

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Meeting adjourned at 11:15AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on May 6, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 15, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, Dean Tracy, Caroline Eli and many others were all present at some time during the meeting.

The minutes from the April 1, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr stated that the comments that Mr. Keller yelled should be removed from the minutes stating that Mr. Keller speaks loudly. Vice Chairman Greger agreed the comments referring to Mr. Keller yelling should be removed from the minutes.

Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to approve the April 1, 2014 minutes with the above stated corrections, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley signed the March 18, 2014 and March 3, 2014 meeting minutes.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, presented a report with many items to address.

Mr. Monson stated the crack sealing is finished on the north end of Hwy 200 and they have about 1 ½ miles left on the south side of Hwy 200.

Mr. Monson informed the Commission of the culvert on the golf course towards PV road is in rough shape. The culvert is starting to rust and extensions on each end are caving in. Additionally, the road is eroding on both ends and around the culvert. The current culvert is 5' x 45' and Mr. Monson made the suggestion of adding seven feet by extending approximately three feet to each end and to also cover the ends with rock to help stop the eroding. Pricing received for a 12 gauge and 14 gauge 60" x 52' culvert are as follows:

Bruce Willyard	12 gauge, \$2,790.00 (insulation only, no culvert)	
Gilbertson's	12 gauge, \$4,134.00	14 gauge, \$3,016.00
Biel Trucking	12 gauge, \$3,620.00	14 gauge, \$2,815.00
True North Steel	12 gauge, \$4,080.96	14 gauge, \$3,290.04

After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to go with a 12 gauge culvert. Mr. Monson stated that Carrington Township will pay \$500 of the culvert and the County will cover the rest of the cost. Motion made by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Biel Trucking's quote for a 12 gauge culvert, seconded by Commissioner Carr. With no further discussion, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson discussed the warranty on the 2009 772G, Mr. Monson reviewed the amount of hours on the equipment and the warranty cost. Since a decision on the warrant does not have to be made until November, 2014, the Board decided to table the warranty discussion.

Mr. Monson stated he would like new skidsteer forks. Pricing for a new set were: Leading Edge quoted \$1,485 and Biel Trucking quoted \$850. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the set from Biel Trucking for \$850, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye, motion carried. Mr. Monson will check with the Weed Board to see if they will be willing to contribute some money also.

Mr. Monson handed out the Safety Awareness report for the Safety Highway Project. Mr. Monson reviewed the overall cost with the proposed improvements at a grand total of \$320,886 with the cost to the County at 10% (\$32,089). The proposed improvements are not mandatory and the County can choose some or all of the improvements per Mr. Monson. The report showed edge rumbles for 32.3 miles and a cost of \$144,240 with a County cost of \$14,424. Dynamic warning sign, street lights, signs and markings for a total of \$104,400 and a County cost of \$10,440. The last part of the report had rural curves with chevrons, warning speed signs, rumble strip, and shoulder paving to the Grace City Road for a total of \$72,246 and a County cost of \$7,225. After discussion among the Board, Mr. Monson stated he will ask to make a decision on May 6, 2014 which will allow the Board more time to think about the improvements.

Finally, Mr. Monson told the Board that the Road Department will start 10-hour shifts starting next week.

Lisa Solwey, RN – Foster County Public Health addressed the Board about the janitorial position. Ms. Solwey stated the position has been advertised in the Foster County Independent and will close on April 30, 2014. Ms. Solwey asked for a Commissioner to sit-in on the interviews explaining that some of the Health Board members will also be on the interview board. Commissioner Carr agreed to assist in the interview process.

Next Ms. Solwey asked about a starting wage. The Board stated that new employees start at \$13.66/hr.

Ms. Solwey asked if the new person would also be responsible for snow removal and maintenance work since the advertised hours are for cleaning. Chairman Straley stated that the snow removal, maintenance, and allotted hours will be looked at after the new person starts and see how things go.

Opening of bids for the 2014 Road Supplies.

Tires. No bids received.

Rental of Heavy Equipment / hourly rate:

KD Hoyt, Inc.	CAT D6H Dozer	\$140
	CAT 627 Scraper (20 cubic yards)	\$180
	CAT 637C Scraper (30 cubic yards)	\$240
	CAT 140G Blade	\$110
	Terex 2766 off road truck	\$110
	CAT D300 off road truck	\$110
	Side dump/bell dump tractor trailers (20 cubic yards)	\$110
	Front end loaders (4 cubic yards)	\$140
	Excavator	\$160
	Packer – pull type	\$95
	Disc – pull type	\$95
	Water truck (3000 gal)	\$95
	** project mobilization has been included in the pricing	

J&J Striping	Payloader	\$110
	Excavator	\$120
	Dozer	\$110
	Backhoe	\$95

Pat Biel Trucking	Komatsu 500 payloader	\$110
	JD 644 payloader	\$90
	D65 Dozer	\$110
	Excavator	\$130
	Tri axle or quad	\$80
	DSM dozer (CAT)	\$130
	** pricing includes operator	

Tom Gilbertson	Dozer 130 HP 6way	\$120
	Dozer 120 HP 6way	\$180
	Excavator 200 JD	\$150
	Excavator 300 Komatsu w/thumb	\$185
	644 JD loader 4 yd – 6 ½ yd	\$120
	644 JD grapple	\$140
	Blade	\$80
	Dump truck	\$85
	Side dump	\$110
	Belly dump	\$100
	Disc reclaimer	\$80
	Scraper – 30 yard combo	\$325
	Scraper – 36 yard combo	\$325

Motion to accept all bids by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. All voted aye, motion carried.

Gravel: crushing, hauling, loading, and royalties:

Clifford Gleason	Crushing and stockpiling	\$3.10/cy
	Loading from stockpile	\$0.70/cy
	Hauling 1-3 miles	\$1.25/cy
	Hauling for each mile thereafter	\$0.22/cy
	Loading pit run	\$1.00/cy
	Royalties	\$1.20/cy

Biel Trucking	Hauling first 3 miles	\$1.40/cy
	Hauling each mile thereafter	\$0.26/cy
	Loading pit run	\$0.70/cy
	Loading gravel	\$0.65/cy

KD Hoyt, Inc.	Crushing and stockpiling	\$2.50/cy
	Screening and stockpiling	\$2.00/cy
	Crushed and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$3.75/cy
	Screened and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$2.25/cy
	Loaded and hauled (1-3 miles)	\$1.70/cy
	Each mile over 3	\$0.26/cy
	Hauling 10 miles and over	\$0.24/cy
	Stripping and backfilling pit	\$3.00/cy
	Embankment loaded and hauled	negotiable

Embankment loaded & hauled from stockpile negotiable
Riprap load, haul and place \$32.00/cy
** all bid items listed are tied. Project mobilization has been included in the pricing.

Tom Gilbertson	Crushing and stockpiling (royalty included)	\$4.50/cy
	Loading from stockpile	\$0.75/cy
	Screening and stockpiling	\$2.00/cy
	Hauling (1-3 miles)	\$2.00/cy
	Hauling for each mile thereafter	\$0.30/cy
	Stripping or backfilling gravel pit	\$325/hr
	Loading pit run	\$0.75/cy
J&J Striping	Loading	\$0.55/yd
	Hauling (3 miles or less)	\$1.00/yd
	Hauling (over 3 miles)	\$0.28/yd/mile

Motion to accept all bids by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Center Striping:		
J&J Striping	Painting	\$0.10/LF
Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept bid, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.		

Culverts:

Tom Gilbertson –

<u>Diameter</u>	<u>Gauge</u>	<u>Spiral/LF</u>	<u>Riveted/LF</u>	<u>24" connecting band 16ga</u>	<u>Flared end sections</u>
12"	16	\$8.50	\$11.50	\$19.00	\$45.00
15"	16	\$10.50	\$14.25	\$23.00	\$57.00
18"	16	\$12.75	\$17.50	\$28.00	\$77.00
24"	16	\$16.25	\$22.75	\$35.50	\$98.50
30"	16	\$20.75	\$29.00	\$45.00	
36"	16	\$25.75	\$35.00	\$58.00	\$350.00
42"	16	\$31.00	\$42.00	\$65.00	
48"	16	\$33.00	\$45.50	\$77.00	\$765.00
12"	14	\$10.50	\$14.50		
15"	14	\$13.00	\$18.00		
18"	14	\$15.75	\$21.50		
24"	14	\$20.25	\$28.50		
30"	14	\$25.00	\$35.50		
36"	14	\$30.75	\$43.00		
42"	14	\$35.00	\$49.50		
48"	14	\$41.00	\$57.00		
60"	14	\$58.00	\$80.50	\$119.00	\$1360.00
72"	14	\$70.00	\$97.25	\$140.00	\$1622.00
96"	14	\$92.50	\$128.50	\$262.00	
36"	12	\$41.75	\$58.50		
42"	12	\$48.25	\$74.00		
48"	12	\$55.75	\$88.00		
60"	12	\$78.50	\$108.00		
72"	12	\$91.50	\$129.00		
84"	12	\$110.75	\$153.50	\$228.00	
96"	12	\$127.00	\$176.50		
60"	10	\$99.00	\$139.00		
72"	10	\$121.00	\$168.00		
84"	10	\$139.00	\$193.00		
96"	10	\$159.00	\$222.00		

True North Steel –

2 2/3"x1/2" CORRUGTAIONS

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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>12"/w bnds</u>	<u>12"/w/bnds 2pc</u>
	8"		\$9.47	\$72.23	\$14.20	\$18.94
	10"		\$9.85	\$74.67	\$14.77	\$19.70
16	12"	\$8.55	\$10.54	\$51.71	\$15.81	\$21.08
16	15"	\$10.55	\$13.01	\$57.87	\$19.51	\$26.01
16	18"	\$12.55	\$15.47	\$64.01	\$23.21	\$30.95

16	21"	\$14.45	\$17.83	\$77.09	\$26.74	\$35.65
16	24"	\$16.45	\$20.29	\$91.39	\$30.44	\$40.59
<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>12"/w bands</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	60"	\$40.00	\$49.33			
16	72"	\$47.91	\$59.09			

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>24" w/bands</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	12"		\$31.62
16	15"	\$32.52	\$39.02
16	18"	\$38.68	\$46.42
16	21"	\$44.57	\$53.48
16	24"	\$50.73	\$60.88

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>12"/w bands</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$25.03	\$30.97	\$156.54	\$46.45	\$61.94
14	36"	\$29.95	\$37.05	\$205.63	\$55.58	\$74.11
14	42"	\$34.77	\$43.03	\$519.78	\$64.54	\$86.05
14	48"	\$39.60	\$49.00	\$604.90	\$73.50	\$98.00
14	96"	\$78.31	\$96.89			

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>24" w/bands</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$77.42	\$92.91
14	36"	\$92.63	\$111.16
14	42"	\$107.56	\$129.08
14	48"	\$122.50	\$147.00

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
12	42"	\$47.98	\$59.56		
12	48"	\$54.66	\$67.85		
12	54"	\$61.34	\$76.15	\$701.66	\$228.44
12	60"	\$68.02	\$84.44	\$1029.61	\$253.31
12	66"	\$74.70	\$92.73	\$1131.41	\$278.18
12	72"	\$81.38	\$101.02	\$1226.96	\$303.05

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End sec</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
10	60"	\$85.29	\$106.06		
10	66"	\$93.66	\$116.46		
10	72"	\$102.02	\$126.86		
10	78"	\$110.38	\$137.26	\$1359.48	\$411.78
10	84"	\$118.83	\$147.77	\$1611.14	\$443.30
10	90"	\$127.20	\$158.17	\$2861.48	\$474.50
10	96"	\$135.56	\$168.57	\$2949.60	\$505.70

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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	15"	17"x13"	\$10.90	\$13.36	\$48.69	\$26.72
16	18"	21"x15"	\$12.96	\$15.89	\$57.10	\$31.78
16	21"	24"x18"	\$14.92	\$18.31	\$72.42	\$36.62
16	24"	28"x20"	\$17.00	\$20.84	\$83.58	\$41.68

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
16	15"	\$40.07
16	18"	\$47.67
16	21"	\$54.93
16	24"	\$62.53

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>12"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	35"x24"	\$25.88	\$31.82	\$157.53	\$63.64
14	36"	42"x29"	\$30.96	\$38.07	\$230.72	\$76.14
14	42"	49"x33"	\$35.95	\$44.20	\$397.54	\$88.41
14	48"	57"x38"	\$40.94	\$50.34	\$495.73	\$100.68

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>24"/w/bands 2pc</u>
14	30"	\$95.45
14	36"	\$114.20
14	42"	\$132.61
14	48"	\$151.02

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>	<u>End Sec</u>	<u>24"w/bands 2pc</u>
12	42"	49"x33"	\$49.64	\$61.22		
12	48"	57"x38"	\$56.55	\$69.74		
12	54"	64"x43"	\$63.45	\$78.26	\$620.32	\$234.78
12	60"	71"x47"	\$70.36	\$86.78	\$810.80	\$260.35
12	66"	77"x52"	\$77.27	\$95.30	\$1122.66	\$285.91
12	72"	83"x57"	\$84.18	\$103.82	\$1192.81	\$311.47

<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>Riveted</u>
10	60"	71"x47"	\$88.26	\$109.03
10	66"	77"x52"	\$96.91	\$119.72
10	72"	83"x57"	\$105.57	\$130.41

5"X1" CORRUGATIONS
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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Dia</u>	<u>Spiral</u>
14	48"	\$42.09
14	54"	\$47.18
14	60"	\$52.36
14	66"	\$57.45
14	72"	\$62.64
14	78"	\$67.82
14	84"	\$72.91
14	90"	\$78.09
14	96"	\$83.18
12	72"	\$87.52
12	78"	\$94.67
12	84"	\$101.91
12	90"	\$109.06
12	96"	\$116.30
12	102"	\$123.45
12	108"	\$130.69
12	114"	\$137.85
12	120"	\$145.00
10	96"	\$144.39
10	102"	\$153.34
10	108"	\$162.20
10	114"	\$171.16
10	120"	\$180.11
10	126"	\$189.06
10	132"	\$197.93
10	138"	\$206.88
10	144"	\$215.83

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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equiv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>End Section</u>
14	48"	53"x41"	\$43.49	\$858.83
14	54"	60"x46"	\$48.75	\$1167.15
14	60"	66"x51"	\$54.11	\$1541.53
14	66"	73"x55"	\$59.37	\$2068.52
14	72"	81"x59"	\$64.72	\$2178.65
14	78"	87"x63"	\$70.08	\$2964.07
14	84"	95"x67"	\$75.34	\$3058.83
14	90"	103"x71"	\$80.69	\$3425.83
14	96"	112"x75"	\$85.95	\$3962.60
12	72"	81"x59"	\$90.48	
12	78"	87"x63"	\$97.88	
12	84"	95"x67"	\$105.36	
12	90"	103"x71"	\$112.76	
12	96"	112"x75"	\$120.24	
12	102"	117"x79"	\$127.64	
12	108"	128"x83"	\$135.12	

12 114" 137"x87" \$142.52

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<u>Ga</u>	<u>Equiv Dia</u>	<u>Span x Rise</u>	<u>Spiral</u>	<u>End Section</u>
12	120"	142"x91"	\$149.91	
10	96"	112"x75"	\$149.33	
10	102"	117"x79"	\$158.58	
10	108"	128"x83"	\$167.75	
10	114"	137"x87"	\$177.01	
10	120"	142"x91"	\$186.27	

Motion made by Commissioner Carr to accept all bids, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger.
Motion carried.

Hay land:
Brandon Gussiaas \$52.00

Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the bid, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Rubber:
Midstates Equipment & Supply Maxwell Nuvo 3405 MN with polyskin packaging sealant
2,250 lbs per pallet. Three pallets @ \$0.665/lb = \$4,488.75
** pounds are approximate – actual pounds will depend on
actual amount shipped.

Opening bids for Kensal Road project:

Mayo Construction	\$1,871,009.95
Knife River Materials	\$1,929,393.83
Border States Paving	\$2,076,811.50
Central Specialties	\$2,056,579.80

Herb with Wold Engineering explained that the Engineers estimate was \$2.1 million. The Kensal project is the first five miles of the Kensal Road from the County line North.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the bid from Mayo Construction, seconded by Chairman Straley. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor read the names of the individuals that are running in the primary election. Ms. Risovi stated that there were two deadlines that were missed in regards to the upcoming election; the first was the deadline for the postcard applications. Ms. Risovi explained to the Board that she did place the order but the pricing had changed, the cost for 2000 applications was \$700. The other deadline was in regards to the precincts that are in the system. After a long discussion it was decided to keep precincts the way they are currently in the system. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley to keep the precincts the same for 2014. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi presented the District Court funding agreement. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr to accept the agreement. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi asked the Board to set a price for the plat books from FHP. The cost to the County was \$21.90/book. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to set the selling price at \$22/book, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi updated the Board on the family restroom repairs. Ms. Risovi presented emails from the Maintenance Engineer Cheryl Fettig showing the quote from DJ Kocke and another email indicating that ATM Construction denied to provide a quote. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to have Klocke Woodworks to provide the repairs at \$670 provided the Historical Society approves the repairs, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager stated the new Assistant will start soon. Her name is Jessica Earl and will be moving to Carrington from Bismarck.

Vice Chairman Greger updated the Board on the resignation letter from Roger Gussiaas. Mr. Greger stated that it is Mr. Gussiaas wish to resign from the Soils Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee. Motion to accept the resignation by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a proposed advertisement for the Public Health Roof bid. With no further discussion or revisions, a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to place the advertisement in the Foster County Independent, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried. The advertisement will be in the Independent April 20 and April 27, 2014.

Dana Scherr – Tax Equalization Director sent a report for abatements. The report was given to the Commissioners and after a short review, Chairman Straley requested Ms. Scherr attend the meeting to clarify the recommendations for abatements.

Upon arrival of Ms. Scherr, the first abatement was for Gary Doeling parcels #01523000 for \$80,600 and parcel #01527000 for \$67,600. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger to approve abatements for Mr. Doeling as presented. Motion carried.

Another abatement for John Murphy parcel #01519001 for \$35,100 was explained and presented by Ms. Scherr. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Mr. Murphy's abatement as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Jeff Golz the care taker for Lake Juanita had several items to discuss with the Board. Mr. Golz asked the Board if the bathroom up North can be fixed so it can be used, stating the windows are broken and birds are inside. Vice Chairman Greger and Mr. Golz will work together and obtain a quote from a contractor.

Mr. Golz is requesting the rocks by the fishing pier be removed. Vice Chairman Greger will talk to Tom Gilbertson & Sons to get a quote.

More plugins are needed for campers on the South side per Mr. Golz. Mr. Golz will contact an electrician and get a quote.

Mr. Golz asked if he and his wife could paint the inside of the bathroom. The Board approved the request and told Mr. Golz to pick up the paint and supplies and turn the receipts to the County.

Mr. Golz handed out a flier showing new playground equipment. It is a red plastic slide to replace the old rusted slide at Lake Juanita. There is a Garrison Diversion grant that will pay up to \$1061. The price for the proposed new slide/playground equipment is \$6,610.

Finally, the Board agree to give Mr. Golz a raise in salary. Motion by Commissioner Carr to increase Mr. Golz wages to \$2,000 per year, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Auditor Teresa Risovi presented a lost check affidavit. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger to sign the affidavit. Motion carried

States Attorney Paul Murphy joined the meeting and gave an update on the Commissioner salaries. Mr. Murphy stated that he hasn't found anything in the NDCC that states a reason for a difference in Commissioner salary. Mr. Murphy will continue to do more research.

Mr. Murphy stated the current Auditor is a constitutional officer.

Commissioner Carr discussed with States Attorney Murphy the wages of the Auditor in addition to presenting a copy out of the NDCC listing the duties of the Auditor. Mr. Murphy stated he will check with other States Attorneys and will report back in regards to when or if an Auditor is entitled to additional pay for duties assigned.

Board on motion approved the following bills:
Social Services bills approved 4/15/14 \$7,897.16

County bills approved and paid:

16600-16601	Void	
16602	ND Association of Countries	\$1,063.88
16603-16646	Void	
16647	Northern Plains Electric Coop	\$618.45
16648	Teresa Risovi	\$19.99
16649	John Deere Financial	\$537.43
16650	Lisa Weninger	\$25.00
16651	Raymond Peterson	\$57.00
16652	Ottertail	\$2,669.07
16653	Verizon	\$390.27
16654	Foster County Treasurer	\$241.95
16655	Leslie Greger	\$262.08
16656	Lynell Lyman Hoppe	\$62.48
16657	Lisa Solwey	\$114.80
16658	Colleen Sweet	\$124.51
16659	Teresa Risovi	\$278.88
16660	Reliable Office Supplies	\$30.27
16661	Matthew Bender & Co	\$212.31
16662	Running's	\$1,863.61
16663	Beckman Beverages	\$24.00
16664	T&B Farms	\$105.00
16665	Hiway Tesoro	\$140.00

16666		Central City Lumber	\$82.73
16667		Cobblestone Inn	\$74.40
16668		Schulz Plumbing & Heating	\$27.82
16669		City of Carrington	\$238.30
16670		Nathan Monson	\$39.99
16671		Aggregate	\$1,612.00
16672		Randy's Electric	\$145.00
16673		Dacotah Paper	\$196.61
16674		Greater Ramsey Water District	\$42.00
16675		MDU	\$788.60
16676		JOB Welding	\$405.00
16677		Tough T Manufacturing	\$24.98
16678		Wells County Social Services	\$3,226.63
16679		Wells County Social Services	\$2,341.57
16680		Wells County Social Services	\$531.07
16681		Wells County Social Services	\$1,690.86
16682		Wells County Social Services	\$49.71
16683		Eddy County Social Services	\$1,827.94
16684		VOID	
16685		Carrington Hardware Hank	\$3.78
16686		BW Plus Seven Seas Hotel	\$249.00
16687		Arrowwood Prairie	\$307.07
16688		Central Distributing	\$39.00
16689		Information Technology Dept.	\$5.30
16690		Alco	\$16.48
16691		Staples Credit Plan	\$122.76
16692		NDACO Resources Group	\$97.50
16693		Ward County Social Services	\$1,138.61
16694		Council On Aging	\$26,248.77
16695	ACH	Garrison Div Con District	\$1,376.16
16696		City of Carrington	\$17,268.73
16697	ACH	Foster County Historical	\$341.33
		Foster County Soil Conservation	
16698	ACH	District	\$2,671.57
16699	ACH	City of Glenfield	\$26.59
16700	ACH	City of Grace City	\$6.74
16701	ACH	Airport Authority	\$1,021.06
16702	ACH	Carrington Park District	\$2,801.74
16703	ACH	New Rockford-Sheyenne SD #2	\$199.62
16704	ACH	Midkota School District #7	\$9,640.75
16705	ACH	Carrington School District #49	\$93,120.08
16706	ACH	Kensal School District # 19	\$19,050.26
16707	ACH	Eastman Township	\$125.55
16708	ACH	Mckinnon Township	\$2,547.18
16709	ACH	Bucephalia Township	\$1,905.06
16710	ACH	Bordulac Township	\$349.52
16711	ACH	Melville Township	\$506.41
16712	ACH	Longview Township	\$574.07
16713	ACH	Wyard Township	\$258.24
16714	ACH	Carrington Township	\$2,963.37
16715	ACH	Rose Hill Township	\$4,960.25
16716-16726	ACH	VOID	
16727	ACH	Haven Township	\$3,316.84
16728	ACH	Rolling Prairie Township	\$132.36
16729	ACH	Glenfield Township	\$350.42
16730	ACH	McHenry	\$116.78
16731	ACH	Florence Township	\$225.11
16732	ACH	Larrabee Township	\$399.94
16733	ACH	Nordmore Township	\$382.77
16734	ACH	Estabrook Township	\$4,820.26
16735	ACH	Birtsell Township	\$1,731.63
16736	ACH	Eastman Township	\$125.55

16737	ACH	Glenfield Fire District	\$75.52
16738		ND State Treasurer	\$1,446.16
16739		Jeff Bata	\$45.28
16740		Charles of Jane Bata	\$211.86
16741		Foster County Treasurer	\$16,543.10
16742		Ted Keller	\$4.25
16743		Doug Zink	\$1.80
16744		Joshua Dreher	\$1.05

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Meeting adjourned at 11:15AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on May 6, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MAY 6, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, and many others were all present at some time during the meeting.

The minutes from the April 15, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Chairman Straley stated that Mayo Construction was typed with a typo and also the motion to accept the bid should show it was seconded by Chairman Straley not Commissioner Carr. Vice Chairman Greger corrected the grant amount to reflect \$1061 for the Garrison Diversion grant for the outdoor slide at Lake Juanita instead of \$5000. With no other corrections, motion to approved the minutes as corrected by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jim Carr requested to see the minutes from the special meeting on April 30, 2014 that was four hours long. After a brief discussion among Chairman Straley and Commissioner Carr; Chairman Straley stated the meeting was not four hours long, no minutes were kept because it wasn't a special meeting as Chairman Straley was the only Commissioner there, and it was about the criminal case.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, presented a report with many items to address.

Mr. Monson stated the crack sealing is finished. They are currently durapatching the bad areas on the highways. Mr. Monson said they have done over 87 spots in the past week.

Mr. Monson asked the Board for any deletions, corrections, or additions to the Safety Awareness report for the Safety Highway Project that was presented at the previous meeting. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to move forward with the safety recommendations as presented at the previous meeting, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson told the Board that he took the new mower to Juanita Lake and he brought the Snapper mower back. Mr. Monson also stated that he gave Auditor, Teresa Risovi the serial numbers for the New Holland tractors to be provided to Farmers Union Insurance.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director presented the Board with abatements for Mr. John Topp. Parcels #01338000 2012 abatement \$24,900 with an increase to \$28,400; parcel #01356000 2012 abatement \$25,800 with an increase to \$29,400; parcel #01357000 2012 abatement \$24,000 with an increase to \$27,400; parcel #01358000 2012 abatement \$16,100 with an increase to \$148,300; and parcel #01359000 2012 abatement \$23,700 with an increase to \$27,000. Ms. Scherr informed the Board that Haven Township did approve the abatements. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the abatements as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Scherr informed the Board on April 17, 2014 following the procedure to redeem delinquent taxes on a mobile home, the home was not purchased at the tax sale conducted by the Foster County Sheriff's Department and has become Foster County property. Ms. Scherr's recommendation to the Board is that the mobile home be turned over to the owner of the lot on which it rests. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to award the trailer to the landowner, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Scherr presented the Board with an invoice for \$1,300 for a mapping maintenance agreement that is shared by the Foster County Sheriff's Department, Tax Equalization, 911, and Emergency Management. Motion to approve the agreement by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Sarah Aberle attended the meeting requesting her payout of vacation and of sick leave. Ms. Aberle requested to be paid for the accumulated sick leave because she stated it has been paid for the past three previous employees that left the County. After checking, Auditor Risovi informed the Board that the prorated vacation was what was paid out not sick leave. Ms. Aberle recommended to amend the policy manual to make it easier for payroll. Auditor Risovi stated that the Auditor's office would be sending Ms. Aberle one last final check to pay back her retirement that was taken out of her check but was not paid in. Chairman Straley asked Ms. Aberle if she believed that everything was taken care of and if she received her leave that was entitled to her, which she stated yes.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor handed out a resignation letter of Ms. Susie Brandt. Motion to accept Ms. Brandt resignation by Vice Chairman Greger. Commissioner Carr asked for some time to talk to Ms. Brandt about resigning. Resignation letter was tabled.

Ms. Risovi handed out a bid for oil that was not previously submitted with the other quotes to be on the approved contractor list for 2014. The quote was from Flint Hills for MC-3000 for \$675.56/ton delivered to Foster County, ND. Motion to accept the bid by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi handed out paperwork from Butler Machinery breaking down the cost of the new Blade and the differences between buying it outright versus leasing it. Chairman Straley stated in the

past the Board leased this type of equipment; however Chairman Straley stated that it could save the County approximately \$35,000 to pay it off and buy it outright instead of leasing it and then the Board would have to amend the budget. Chairman Straley asked Noreen Barton, Treasurer to attend the meeting to explain to the board that there is enough money in the Money Market Account to purchase the blade. After a short discussion, Chairman Straley asked Auditor Risovi to check on the proper procedure for amending the budget in a special meeting, a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the blade and a seconded by Commissioner Carr. Commissioner Carr emphasized to be sure to check on the correct procedure to be sure it is done legally. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley called a recess to move the Commissioner meeting to the Courtroom at 9:15AM.

At 9:18AM, the meeting reconvened.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor continued. Ms. Risovi informed the Board that NDIRF is requesting a content update for insurance. The last time there was an update by the Auditor's office was 2008. Ms. Risovi stated she will be contacting all department heads and asking for assistance.

Ms. Risovi presented a Joint Powers Agreement between the City of Carrington and Foster County for elections. Ms. Risovi stated that it is an agreement that both entities will work together and it is something that is needed to be on record in the minutes and in the file. Motion to accept the agreement by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

John Murphy approached the Board with concerns about the rebate on taxes. Mr. Murphy asked Chairman Straley if anyone ever met with the State in regards to his past concerns and the amount of money in surplus. Chairman Straley said no, and that Ms. Barton sent the State an email and they determined that Foster County was not in any violation. Mr. Murphy stated his concerns with the \$345,000 in the general fund that was to be used for tax reduction. After a long discussion, Mr. Murphy stated the County is in violation of the NDCC.

Noreen Barton, Treasurer attended the meeting as the IT Director for the County. Ms. Barton presented quotes from Marco and one from Central Business Systems. Ms. Barton explained that the fax machine in the Sheriff's office, which is used by several departments, is not in good shape and needs to be updated. Ms. Barton's recommendation was to go with the Marco HP LaserJet Pro 400 for \$799 to drop ship and an approximate \$60/month service agreement over the Central Business Systems Kyocera Ecosys M6526CDN for \$1927 and a \$43.50/month agreement. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the Marco bid, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Barton stated that the signature cards need to be updated. Ms. Barton asked to switch the signature card to show her current Deputy Treasurer's name. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve removing Dana Scherr and adding Brenda Hoeckle, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Lisa Solwey, RN told the Board that the new janitor for the Public Health building will start next week. Commissioner Carr asked about the budget and where the money to pay the new employee will come from. Chairman Straley stated that the money will probably have to come out the general fund for this year. After a brief discussion, Ms. Solwey explained to the Board that the duties for a janitor for Public Health have changed over the years. Ms. Solwey explained that the number of clients has increased and the standard of cleanliness has changed. Ms. Solwey will present a budget to the Board at the next meeting.

Opening of bids for the FCPH roof. One bid was submitted from Monarch Handyman Service and Klocke Woodworks for \$19,500 for labor only. The Board explained they want to see the bid from the Lumber Yard for the materials before moving forward. The bid was tabled until the next Commissioner meeting to review the entire bid to include labor and materials. Chairman Straley asked Auditor Risovi to inform the contractors of the Board's decision.

Chairman Straley addressed the forensic audit. Chairman Straley read an email from Ms. Kathleen Murray, Wells County States Attorney that read; "I do not believe that the public is entitled to the forensic report at this time as it is part of a criminal investigation, pursuant to NDCC 44-04-18.7. However, after the criminal matters have been resolved, the report would become public record, but some of the information may need to be redacted. I will double check with the AG's office, but for now, I believe that it is part of the criminal investigation." Chairman Straley asked the Board for their input. After a brief discussion about the unaccounted money, the cost of the audit, and additional costs for auditing the additional years of 2010 and 2011; a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to continue to audit 2010 and 2011, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Paul Murphy, States Attorney attended the meeting to address any legal questions. Mr. Murphy stated that he did look at the NDCC and it does not dictate what Commissioners are paid.

Mr. Murphy stated he did ask other States Attorneys but he has not received anything back yet. Mr. Murphy stated he will continue to research the matter.

Duck's Unlimited along with Mr. Wahlund attended the meeting. Minutes were handed out to the Board members from the Duck's Unlimited meeting that was held on 5/1/14. Mr. Wahlund spoke to the Board about the history of the land and how his wish is to sell 47 acres to Duck's Unlimited to run youth projects by restoring the wetlands. Tim with Duck's Unlimited stated their goal is to develop wetland immigration. Tim stated that Duck's Unlimited wants to restore the 47 acres of Mr. Wahlund's land.

Mr. Harold Erickson Jr discussed his concerns with the 47 acres and spoke of his refuge on his own property and how he raises pheasants and deer. Mr. Erickson is concerned about where the shooting would occur on Mr. Wahlund's land and the close proximity it is within his new home he is building. Mr. Erickson stated that the shooting would be occurring within 440 yards of his new home; Mr. Erickson stated the proposed project is a safety issue. Mr. Erickson is requesting Duck's Unlimited find a new location for their project.

Commissioner Jim Carr requested to meet with both parties involved privately to look at the locations that are being discussed. Chairman Straley stated that a decision was to be made to inform the advisory board on a 1:00pm conference call. After a continued discussion, Chairman Straley asked for a motion three times either for or against the proposed Duck's Unlimited project. Failing a lack of motion, the Board decided to ask for two more weeks to be able to have the Board members meet with the parties involved and to look at the land in question. Chairman Straley signed the documentation provided by the advisory board indicating that the Foster County Board of Commissioners is requesting two more weeks before coming to a decision.

Judy Keller was on the agenda for the Foster County budget. Ms. Keller stated she has concerns about all the things going on here. She asked about Ms. Risovi's attorney and who paid for the attorney. Ms. Keller questioned why the claim was turned over the NDIRF. Chairman Straley informed Ms. Keller that the claim that is going through NDIRF is in litigation and therefore he cannot discuss the matter. The question was posed to Mr. Paul Murphy why Mr. Roger Schlotman and Mr. Jim Carr had to get their own attorney and why they were not being represented by the NDIRF. Mr. Murphy stated because the claim on Mr. Schlotman and Mr. Carr is criminal in nature. Ms. Keller continued to talk while Chairman Straley continually asked her to stay directed to the subject that she was on the agenda for and not about the civil case. Chairman Straley asked Deputy Henry Head to remove Ms. Keller from the meeting.

Roger Gusiaas was on the agenda for costs to the county. Mr. Gusiaas asked about the procedure to hire outside Assistant States Attorneys. Mr. Gusiaas was questioning where the money was coming from to pay for such costs and whether it was in the budget or not. Mr. Paul Murphy explained to Mr. Gusiaas that when there is a conflict, he will step down and the case will be reassigned to an outside Assistant States Attorney. Mr. Murphy explained that these type costs cannot be budgeted; however, it is in the budget for the Insurance Reserve.

Leo Straley was on the agenda for numerous items: who authorized the appointment of Porsberg to defend a private citizen? Did the county pay for Risovi's attorney? Why does the Commission refuse to let Ted and Judy Keller speak?

Chairman Straley informed Mr. Leo Straley that the case with Mr. Porsberg is in litigation. After clarifying which case Mr. Leo Straley was speaking about, Chairman Straley stated that Foster County did not pay for Risovi's attorney. Chairman Straley stated that Judy was allowed to speak; however, Ted raises his voice and gets out of order.

Mr. Leo Straley asked if flipping people off in a courtroom is acceptable behavior. After a brief discussion between Mr. Leo Straley and the Board, Mr. Paul Murphy stated although it is not professional, it is freedom of speech.

Doug Zink was on the agenda with numerous items: Who authorized going to the Insurance Reserve for a lawsuit? Who is paying for the lawsuit? Who authorized the gift of money for attorney fees?

Chairman Straley asked Mr. Zink if the Board needs to address each question since most of the questions have already been answered. Mr. Zink stated no and asked one question; why is Porsberg Risovi's attorney when there is no mention of Foster County at all in the lawsuit? Chairman Straley stated that the case was turned over to the Insurance Reserve.

Joshua Dreher was next on the agenda with several items – County providing legal council for private individuals, closed door meeting, public records and denials.

Mr. Dreher stated that he did some research on Attorney Dan Gaustad and it appeared to him that Mr. Gaustad only does work for the NDIRF so Mr. Dreher asked why Ms. Risovi was provided legal council. Chairman Straley stated Ms. Risovi was not provided legal council and that it was a private matter.

Mr. Dreher asked about the close door meeting that he said was held at the Foster County Courthouse. Chairman Straley handed Mr. Dreher the email from Ms. Kathleen Murray about the forensic audit and how it is not public information due to the criminal case.

Mr. Dreher then questioned the recordings that were made in the Auditor’s office and why the requests are taking so long to be filled. Mr. Dreher stated that he believes that evidence has been destroyed and/or tampered with.

Les Greger stated that the Lake Juanita bathrooms are in need of repairs. Mr. Greger is working with Mr. Golz to work on getting things fixed.

Board on motion approved the following bills:
Social Services bills approved 4/30/14 \$11,031.47

16840	Dorothy Briss	\$57.53
16841	Darlis Short	\$90.96
16842	Lynn Flemmer	\$171.46
16843	VOID	
16844	Aflac	\$2,157.89
16845	Quill	\$97.73
16846	Dakota Dust Tex	\$226.00
16847	Bank Forward	\$55.31
16848	Job Service	\$2,331.78
16849	NDACO Resources Group	\$72.00
16850	John Deere	\$493.72
16851	Marco	\$247.80
16852	SeaChange	\$730.29
16854	US Postmaster	\$490.00
16856	US Postmaster	\$1,477.35
16857	Office of State Tax Commissioner	\$2,350.50
16858	Running's	\$5,999.99
16865	ND Treasurer	\$1,933.97
16866	Arrowwood Prairie	\$1,875.43
16867	Dana Scherr	\$78.31
16868	Pat Biel Trucking	\$84.90
16869	Briss Oil	\$172.90
16870	NAPA	\$50.97
16871	Election Systems & Software	\$748.77
16872	Swanston Equipment	\$3,469.51
16873	Dacotah Paper	\$7.75
16874	Sidwell	\$3,452.80
16875	SeaChange	\$1,096.75
16876	Veterans Information Service	\$50.00
16877	City of Carrington	\$249.23
16878	Seaboard Asphalt Products Company	\$2,170.51
16879	MDU	\$396.23
16880	VOID	
16881	Greater Ramsey Water District	\$42.00
16882	Tough-T Mfg. Inc	\$151.48
16883	University of ND	\$100.00
16884	Lisa Weninger	\$25.00
16885	Corean Swart	\$74.64
16886	Farmers Union Insurance	\$30,250.00
16887	Foster County Treasurer	\$67.02
16888	Verizon Wireless	\$493.31
16889	NRG Technology Services	\$715.00
16890	Carrington Computer	\$18.00
16891	US Postal Service	\$604.00
16892	ReliaStar Life	\$65.72
16893	DCT	\$165.16
16894	Klocke Woodworks	\$2,000.00
16895	LaQunita	\$149.40
16896	Teresa Risovi	\$220.75
16897	DJ's Home Center	\$30.00
16898	Central City Lumbar	\$834.69

16899	Carrington Community Development	\$33,421.98
16900	ND County Recorders Convention	\$100.00
16901	Justin Johnson	\$25.00
16902	Matthew Bender	\$224.74
16903	MDU	\$110.49
16904	Bester Western	\$149.40
16905	Ottertail	\$2,152.64
16906	Office Depot	\$124.99
16907	MidStates Equipment & Supply	\$2,927.33
16908	University of ND	\$100.00
16909	GlaxoSmithKline	\$366.30
16910	Glenfield Development Corp	\$5,487.19
16911	McHenry Development Corp	\$5,487.19
16912	Henry Schein	\$160.59
16913	Grace City Home Town Review	\$5,487.19
16914	Nordmore Township	\$11,026.75
16915	Brown & Saenger	\$60.45
16916	Sanofi Pasteur Inc	\$1,592.87
16917	Butler Machinery	\$1,283.40
16918	Lisa Solwey	\$50.40
16919	Beckman Beverages	\$32.00
16920	Foster County Fair Board	\$27,545.35
16921	Running's	\$216.06
16922	Northern Plains	\$453.93
16923	Xerox Corp	\$70.46
16924	Brager Disposal	\$215.00
16925	Carrington Hardware Hank	\$154.54
16926	C&J Oil	\$12,586.45
16927	Eide Bailly	\$13,184.62
16928	OK Tire	\$48.89
16929	Computer Express	\$1,239.74
16930	MLGC	\$269.91
16931	Seatol	\$60.00
	ACH ND PERS-Retirement	\$14,895.80
16932	Hiway Tesoro	\$40.45
16933	VOID	
16934	Foster County Independent	\$35.00

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder	April Revenue	\$1,960.00
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With no further business except signing the bills, Commissioner Carr left the meeting at 12:18PM.

Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Straley. Meeting adjourned at 12:26PM until the next regular scheduled meeting on May 20, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MAY 20, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura, and others were all present at some time during the meeting.

The minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr noted the date on the minutes was incorrect; the date was typed May 5, 2014 and should reflect May 6, 2014. With no other corrections, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the corrected minutes, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, presented a report with many items to address. Mr. Monson and crew are durapatching the bad areas on the highways, pulling shoulders on numerous roads in the townships, and doing bridge inspections on 12 bridges.

Mr. Monson said the Fair Board would like to use the John Deere 4440 to disk the rodeo arena at the fairgrounds. The Commissioners stated a County employee needs to run the tractor.

Road restrictions will be going off starting on May 21, 2014.

Hoyt Construction would like to build two temporary approaches on the Kensal Road on the county right-of-way by section 6 of McKinnon township. Hoyt Construction wants to stockpile the gravel in the ditch for dirt work. Commissioner Carr recommends Hoyt Construction talk to the landowners.

Mr. Monson requested to place Rip Rap at the Foster County/Griggs County line. There is erosion on the north side of the road. Mr. Monson stated about 10-12 loads will be needed. Gilbertson and Sons quoted \$40/yard delivered and placed and Hoyt Construction quoted \$26/yard delivered and placed. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve Hoyt Construction, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion Carried.

Mr. Monson addressed the dock issue at Lake Juanita. The cable is pulled out, turned and stuck in the rocks, Mr. Monson believes it will take a track hoe to straighten it out. Mr. Monson asked about the large rocks and whether or not the Board decided to remove the rocks. After a brief discussion, the Board stated to leave the rocks in place and to just fix the boat dock.

Mr. Monson's final item is the breaker in the shop. Mr. Monson stated it is an on-going problem that the switch blows and light bulbs are burning out when it rains. Vice Chairman Greger asked Mr. Monson to contact an electrician to have them look at the issue.

Vice Chairman Greger reported on behalf of Planning and Zoning. Vice Chairman Greger stated the Board met at 7:30AM and reviewed the Van Bedaf application to be rezoned from 2,000 animal units to 5,000 animal units to include cows and calves. Planning and Zoning voted to approve the permit and Vice Chairman Greger said it is now up to the Board of Commissioners. Conny Van Bedaf stated her wish is to have the calves at home and to not ship them out to be raised. Mrs. Van Bedaf stated with the expansion they will be a closed operation where all the animals stay on the farm. Jeremy with the State Health Department spoke to the Board and stated that the Van Bedaf's are in compliance. Motion to approve the expansion to a 5,000 threshold by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Greger reported that NDSU will be expanding to add a cleaning facility and green house. They have paid for their permit.

Vice Chairman Greger reported that Roger Gussiaas would like to return to the Zoning and Planning board. Vice Chairman Greger stated the board would like Mr. Gussiaas back. Motion to reinstate Mr. Gussiaas to Planning and Zoning by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Building permits on Lake Juanita was the last item Zoning and Planning discussed. Vice Chairman Greger stated there is currently someone building on Lake Juanita without a permit and he will go speak with them. Vice Chairman Greger stated that there will be an article coming out in the paper addressing the need for building permits on the Lake.

Foster County Public Health roof was re-addressed from the previous meeting. The bid was opened at the prior County Commission meeting and was re-addressed to have the bid from the contract as well as the bid from the lumber yard. The quote from Monarch Handyman Service and Klocke Woodworks was \$19,500 for labor. The quote from Central City Lumber was \$12,790.09 for materials. Motion to accept Central City Lumber quote by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried. Motion to accept the quote from Monarch Handyman and Klocke Woodworks by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Foster County Public Health budget for the new janitorial position was addressed. Lisa Solwey, RN provided the Commissioners with a budget showing the wages for the new janitorial position for 2014 will total \$5,615.28. Ms. Solwey asked the Board which budget the wages will be coming out of. Chairman Straley stated that Public Health receives 5 mills and they need to work the

wages into their budget for 2015; however for the remainder of 2014 the wages will come out of the general budget. Ms. Solwey asked if the new janitor can turn her timesheets directly into the Auditor's office, which Teresa Risovi stated that was fine. The final question Ms. Solwey asked was about the janitorial supplies and who should budget for the cost of the supplies. Chairman Straley stated that Public Health should just budget for wages and the supplies will be budgeted through the Courthouse janitorial supplies.

Chairman Straley read the official written notice of the proposed plat from the City of Carrington. The east half of the southeast quarter (E ½, SE ¼) in section twenty four(24) township one hundred forty six (146) north of range sixty-seven (67) west of the fifth principal meridian, Foster County ND excepting there from a tract of land referred to as Auditor's lot 17 according to the survey thereof. The said plat description contains 27.32 acres more or less. City Council will have a special meeting on Friday, June 13, at 12:00 noon at City Hall to address the issue. All protests must be filled within the City Auditor's office in writing before the hearing.

Duck's Unlimited update was next on the agenda. Chairman Straley confirmed that the other Commissioners were able to visit the land in question. Chairman Straley stated the Advisory Board voted 4-2 defeating the sale of the land. Vice Chairman Greger stated that if the area was at the south end there wouldn't be an issue; however we cannot tell people what to do with their land. Chairman Straley asked for a motion in regards to the land. Motion to accept the land sale by Vice Chairman Greger, Chairman Straley asked for a second three times. Motion failed for a lack of second. Chairman Straley asked for a motion to not be in favor of the land sale, with nothing be heard, Chairman Straley relinquished the floor to Vice Chairman Greger. Mr. Straley then made a motion not in favor in selling the land, Mr. Greger asked for a second three times. Motion failed for a lack of second. Mr. Greger handed the floor back to Chairman Straley. Chairman Straley stated that there will not be a recommendation from the Commission Board as the Board could not come to a conclusion.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided the Board with a Quick Claim Deed for lot four (4), block three (3), original, City of Glenfield. Chairman Straley and Auditor Risovi both signed the deed and was notarized by Deputy Auditor, Heather Martin.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director provided the Commissioners with an abatement for Mr. John Murphy, parcel #00556000 for \$9,3900 (40 acres of pasture land) for 2013 value, a calculation error and the value should be \$45,900 and only 40 acres crop land.

Ms. Scherr also asked for the Sidwell agreement to be approved. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to continue the agreement with Sidwell, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Ted Keller was on the agenda with questions about the Primary Election. Mr. Keller was concerned about the secrecy envelope that was not mailed out with the ballots. Mr. Keller is concerned that the secrecy will be compromised. After a lengthy discussion, with Mr. Keller and the Board, Chairman Straley called Mr. Keller out of order and asked Mr. Keller to be quiet. Mr. Keller continued by saying that Ms. Risovi is untrained.

Mr. Leo Straley was on the agenda for obtaining Primary Election information. Mr. Straley asked the Board how many more mistakes will be made? Chairman Straley asked for clarification which Mr. Straley stated that the Board is taking the blame for Auditor Risovi's mistakes. Mr. Straley continued to address the Board over his concerns about Auditor Risovi. Chairman Straley called Mr. Straley out of order and asked Mr. Straley to remain quiet. Mr. Straley continued by asking who is going to pay for the advertisement in the paper? Vice Chairman Greger stated that there were mistakes made in past years as well. Mr. Straley continued with the board until Chairman Straley asked Deputy Danielle Rosewaren to remove Mr. Straley from the meeting.

Commissioner Carr discussed his concerns over having one voting place and how people do not trust the current system that is in place. States Attorney Paul Murphy addressed the Board and explained the law and voting process as described in the North Dakota Century Code.

Commissioner Carr questioned SA Paul Murphy about Auditor Risovi's wages and duties. Mr. Murphy read the copy out of the NDCC that was handed to him from Commissioner Carr and stated it is open to interpretation.

States Attorney Paul Murphy told the Board that his job is to advise on the law. In regards to the disorder conduct of hand gestures, it is freedom expression. Mr. Murphy stated he is not taking sides, he is just advising on the law. Mr. Murphy then stated it might be a good idea to set standards and have something in the policy manual addressing such things.

Jerry and Paula Biel attended the meeting about portions of lots that are owned by Foster County that they take care of. Mr. and Mrs. Biel asked about the procedure to obtaining the portions of the lots. After a brief discussion, the Board and Mr. and Mrs. Biel agreed to put the portion of lots out on bids for Melville partial lots: 1, 2, 3, 16, 17, and 18. Motion to advertise the portion lots by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried. Mr. and Mrs. Biel asked for a letter to be mailed to them so they know when and what the advertisement says. Mr. and Mrs. Biel also asked to be able to have the option to raise their bid. Chairman Straley stated the motion will need to be amended to reflect the option of raising the bid on bid opening day. Commissioner Carr made the motion to be amended to reflect the option of raising the bid, seconded by Vice Chairman Carr. Motion carried.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

16958		Farmers Union Insurance	\$1,479.00
16959		Hewlett-Packard Company	\$172.00
	ACH	ND PERS- Health Insurance	\$25,374.14
16960	ACH	Garrison Div. Cons District	\$3,185.18
16961	ACH	Foster County Soil Cons Distric	\$6,379.15
16962	ACH	Foster County Historical	\$474.08
16963	ACH	City of Carrington	\$36,618.06
16964	ACH	City of Glenfield	\$526.29
16965	ACH	City of McHenry	\$671.29
16966	ACH	City of Grace City	\$776.76
16967	ACH	Airport Authority	\$3,326.54
16968	ACH	Carrington Park District	\$9,855.31
16969	ACH	New Rockford Sheyenne School District #2	\$802.89
16970	ACH	Midkota School District #7	\$37,759.58
16971	ACH	Carrington School Dirsitct # 49	\$104,800.46
16972	ACH	Kensal School District # 19	\$9,849.86
16973	ACH	Eastman Township	\$2,646.72
16974	ACH	McKinnon Township	\$3,438.44
16975	ACH	Bucephalia Township	\$3,419.13
16976	ACH	Bordulac Township	\$4,487.03
16977	ACH	Melville Township	\$3,040.58
16978	ACH	Longview Township	\$3,251.18
16979	ACH	Wyard Township	\$3,290.63
16980	ACH	Carrington Township	\$7,300.70
16981	ACH	Rosehill Township	\$4,429.83
16982		Haven Township	\$3,954.72
16983	ACH	Rolling Prairie Township	\$3,966.15
16984	ACH	Glenfield Township	\$4,425.43
16985	ACH	McHenry Township	\$2,515.31
16986	ACH	Florence Township	\$4,221.47
16987	ACH	Larrabee Township	\$4,586.44
16988	ACH	Nordmore Township	\$4,010.80
16989	ACH	Estabrook Township	\$4,299.36
16990	ACH	Birtsell Township	\$4,341.12
16991	ACH	Kensal Fire District	\$2,294.94
16992	ACH	Glenfield Fire District	\$918.88
16993		Postmaster	\$245.00
16994		John Topp	\$1,477.10
16995		Sarah Aberle	\$46.47
16996		Henry Head	\$80.00
16997		Job Service of ND	\$25.00
16998		Bremer Bank	\$20.00
16999		Tom Gilbertson	\$346.53
17000		Postmaster	\$210.00
17003		NDSU Extension Pesticide Program	\$840.00
17004		Bonnie Mullenberg	\$403.00
17005		Luverne Hoyt	\$960.00
17006		PCS Mobile	\$122.00
17007		John Deere Financial	\$205.96
17008		Ottertail Power Company	\$1,484.11

17009	Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Inc	\$100.00
17010	Wold Engineering, P.C	\$56,130.30
17011	Aflac	\$2,157.89
17012	Matthew Bender & Co, INC	\$242.23
17013	Sonali Garr	\$45.00
17014	Century Link	\$191.88
17015	US Postal Service	\$302.65
17016	PharmChem	\$42.00
17017	Seaboard Asphalt Products Company	\$2,170.51
17018	T&B Farms	\$60.00
17019	Teresa Risovi	\$171.99
17020	Brown & Saenger	\$338.71
17021	Colleen Sweet	\$67.63
17022	NDACO Resources Group	\$72.00
17023	Seachange Printing & Marketing Services LLC	\$391.98
17024	Farmers Union	\$621.00
17025	Office Depot	\$381.60
17026	Dana Scherr	\$305.76
17027	Information Technology Dept	\$736.05
17028	OK Tire	\$54.89
17029	Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp	\$280.83
17030	Holly Zieman	\$45.00
17031	James E. Carr	\$45.00
17032	Henry Schein	\$7.73
17033	Foster County Fair Board	\$50.00
17034	National Sheriff's Association	\$54.00
17035	Otis Elevator Company	\$2,310.47
17036	Office of Attorney General	\$470.00
17037	Kyle Smith	\$45.00
17038	Computer Express	\$325.00
17039	Henry Head	\$128.40
17040	Foster County Independent	\$3,445.21
17041	Dakota Central	\$2,055.14
17042	ESRI Inc	\$1,300.00
17043	Lindsay Dreher	\$10.00
17044	Colleen Sweet	\$131.04
17045	Ramada Bismarck	\$74.70
17046	Paul Murphy	\$97.80

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:35AM until the next regular scheduled meeting on June 3, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 3, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura were all present at the meeting.

The minutes from the May 20, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Vice Chairman Greger noted a typo in regards to the statement from Jeremy with the State Health Department which read the Van Bedaf's were complaint but it should have read that they are in compliance. With no other corrections, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the corrected minutes, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, was unable to attend the meeting. Auditor Teresa Risovi handed out his report and Chairman Straley read the report aloud. The road crew is durapatching the highways and balding the roads.

They are fixing a lot of road signs due to wind, gun shots and/or old age.

The road department did 12 bridge inspections to update the state records.

The rip rap project on McHenry road at the Foster County/Griggs County was awarded to Hoyt Construction and Mr. Monson stated no work has been started yet and he has left a message with Hoyt Construction.

The electrical issue in the shop was looked at by Randy's Electric. One of the lights was switched out.

John Murphy was on the agenda for a few items; refund of taxes, procedure for selling county property, and election questions. Mr. Murphy addressed the Board stating that the taxes should have been reduced instead of increased. Mr. Murphy stated there should have been more refunds given to hundreds of people who didn't know the proper procedure or what needed to be filled out to receive the refund. Mr. Murphy recommends that the County Board of Commissioners take the initiative to refund these people.

Mr. Murphy addressed the issue of selling the portion of lots in Melville. Mr. Murphy stated that the land needs to be viewed and appraised and then the auditor needs to advertise for a public auction. Chairman Straley stated that Mr. Paul Murphy is looking into the matter and will advise the Board on the proper steps to take.

Mr. Murphy addressed the Board in regards to the election. He stated that the Association of Counties does not have any jurisdiction over the election. Mr. Murphy went through the process of the election with the board and then asked to see a sample ballot. Auditor Teresa Risovi provided Mr. Murphy and the Board with a test ballot where Mr. Murphy explained the initial line was moved to the front of the ballot and is no longer on the back of the ballot which now causes a problem of keeping the ballot secret. After further discussion, Mr. Murphy asked who was on the Election Board and who was on the Canvassing Board. Teresa Risovi, Auditor, read the list of individuals and what capacity they hold with the election. Mr. Murphy stated that he is not telling the Board how to run the election but that people are watching and all the proper steps need to be followed.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director provided a report to the Board. Ms. Scherr asked to reschedule the abatement for the next County Commissioner meeting because Mr. Erickson would like to attend the meeting.

Ms. Scherr provided a handout for each County Commissioner for the Tax Equalization meeting scheduled at 1:00PM today.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided the Board with a property tax incentive for Pat Biel Trucking. Mr. Biel is asking for a 20% exemption for five years. After a brief discussion, the Board decided to table the issue until the next meeting so Auditor Teresa Risovi can contact Wyard Township to see if the township approves the exemption.

Ms. Risovi provided an update on Ducks Unlimited. Ms. Risovi read an email aloud that stated that the Governor has until June 10, 2014 to make a decision.

Ms. Risovi was on the agenda to update on the Melville portion of lots. Ms. Risovi stated that it was already addressed with Mr. John Murphy; however, she stated that Mr. Paul Murphy is working on the process and is working with Ms. Risovi on the proper steps to take.

An update on the election was next on the agenda. Ms. Risovi stated that public testing of the equipment was yesterday and everything worked perfectly. Ms. Risovi asked about the wages to pay the Election Board members because the NDCC states that they must be paid a minimum of minimum wage and up to 25% above minimum wage. Ms. Risovi stated that would be \$9.09/hr; however, looking at the 2010 election the workers received \$10.10/hr. Ms. Risovi asked the Board what they would like her to pay the members. After a brief discussion, Chairman Straley stated to stick with the \$9.09/hr and to do further checking with Mr. Paul Murphy about being able to pay the workers additional pay and if it can be done legally we can back pay them. The final election update

was in regards to Mr. Doug Zink and the Board was told he received 10 or 14 ballot applications for individuals who cannot legally vote. Ms. Risovi explained that she sent a letter to Mr. Zink asking him to either call in or bring in the names of those individuals so they could get removed from the system. Ms. Risovi stated that Mrs. Zink promptly called in to the Auditor’s office and it was determined that three individuals received the ballot applications that should not have. Ms. Risovi handed the Board the list of those names and informed the Board that those names have been removed.

Ms. Risovi handed out the township road mileage certification form to be signed by the County Commissioner to be returned to the State Treasurer’s office. After the Board reviewed the form, a motion to accept the township mileage by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jim Carr handed a note to the other Commissioners that read, “From Tops member Doris Fornshell – why has someone taken the things out of the desk? Where is the stuff? The Tops girls have been using the one side of the desk for many years.” After a short discussion, Chairman Straley asked Auditor Teresa Risovi to check with the janitor and see if the items have been moved and to call Ms. Fornshell.

Commissioner Jim Carr stated he received phone calls and he wanted to know why two individuals were not allowed to be on the agenda today. Mr. Straley explained those two individuals continue to disrupt the meeting and he consulted with legal counsel and it was decided they are not allowed on the agenda.

Board on motion approved the following bills:
Social Services bills approved 5/31/14 \$18,511.88

17063	ELLIOT PAZKOWSKI	\$74.12
17064	JOHN HOLTH	\$53.40
17065	DON’T FRYE	\$45.00
17066	BRAGER DISPOSTAL SERVICE	\$215.00
17067	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC	\$356.91
17068	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$47.00
17069	SEATOL	\$120.00
17070	RUNNINGS SUPPLY	\$230.16
17071	JESSICA EARLE	\$82.03
17072	MLGC	\$269.91
17073	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	\$3,920.11
17074	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$20.95
17075	MARLENE K BOYER	\$20.45
17076	CHARMAINE ALBRECHT	\$9.09
17077	LONA LUTZ	\$53.36
17078	PATRICIA TORGERSON	\$20.45
17079	JOANN HOLLATZ	\$20.45
17080	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING	\$13.50
17081	HENRY HEAD	\$240.00
17082	OFFICE DEPOT	\$500.85
17083	BANK-KOE COMPANIES	\$6,903.77
17084	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$265.78
17085	POSTMASTER	\$84.00
17086	XEROX CORPORATION	\$70.46
17087	OK TIRE	\$217.37
17088	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$181.79
17089	A&B BUSINESS INC	\$349.95
17090	HOMETOWN REVIEW	\$40,000.00
17091	BONNIE MULLENBERG	\$44.80
17092	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$234.15
17093	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER	\$304.73
17094	NDWEF	\$40.00
17095	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	\$120.00
17096	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$261.03
17097	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$110.00
17098	NDAAO	\$117.00
17099	JOEL LEMER	\$266.98
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17999	VOID	

18000	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$42.00
18001	CARDMEMBER SERVICES	\$281.62
18002	NOREEN A BARTON	\$50.40
18003	BROCK OR ROGER GUSSIAAS	\$40.00
18004	MDU COMPANY	\$257.91
18005	OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY	\$126.96
18006	LAKE REGION DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT	\$84.00
18007	LISA WENNINGER	\$38.02
18008	WATCH GUARD VIDEO	\$43.00
18009	SCHULZ PLUMBING	\$329.13
18010	DS SOLUTIONS	\$150.00
18011	COMFORT INN	\$296.00
18012	KLOCKE WOODWORKS	\$670.00
18013	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING	\$67.50
18014	GUYNELL KLEIN	\$170.50
18015	PATTY THOMAS	\$20.72
18016	LAURA IRION	\$17.92
18017	SUSIE BRANDT	\$129.92
18018	PAUL STRALEY	\$86.24
18019	GEORGE TOPP	\$98.56
18020	COLLEEN GREGER	\$56.00
18021	WELLS COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	\$10,828.76
18022	ND DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES	\$4,335.88
18023	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$288.81
18024	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	\$26.50
18025	LEAF	\$145.39
18026	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$812.50
18027	DAKOTA CENTRAL	\$181.07
18028	STUTSMAN COUNTY	\$638.89
18029	NDTC	\$63.00
18030	COMMUNITY ACTION	\$300.00
18031	FOSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	\$178.00
18032	RELIASTAR LIFE INS	\$65.72

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 9:30AM until the Tax Equalization meeting at 1:00PM in the Community Room in the Foster County Courthouse.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 17, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and many others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the June 3, 2014 meeting were reviewed. With no corrections, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Role call vote: Vice Chairman Greger yes, Commissioner Carr no, Chairman Straley yes. Motion carried.

The minutes of the Board of Equalization were reviewed. With no corrections, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Role call vote: Vice Chairman Greger yes, Commissioner Carr no, Chairman Straley yes. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, gave an update on the McHenry Road project at the Foster County/Griggs County line. Mr. Monson stated rock has been hauled in and placed at the worst parts, which was approximately four loads and approximately six additional loads will be needed.

Mr. Monson ordered 911 signs from Neuman signs which take approximately three weeks for them to arrive; upon arrival the Road Department will put them up as soon as possible at the following locations: Grace City Road/Juanita Lake Road, Grace City Road/Mike Munsen corner, and Bordulac Road/6th Street corner. Also ordered was 3- 1 ¾" talsbar 12ft long posts and 5- 2 ¼" talsbar 12ft long posts for the 911 signs.

Mr. Monson provided the Board of Commissioners with pictures in regards to Ms. Sandy Lies concerns with the North Lake Juanita Road.

Ms. Sandy Lies addressed the Board about her concerns of the road and how it continually is under water and it is making it difficult if not impossible for there to be access to her Mother's cabin. Ms. Lies stated that the water isn't flowing through, it is backing up. The two culverts aren't handling the flow of the water. Ms. Lies stated the west side culvert is in bad shape and explained that she has to drive the section line to access the cabin.

Commissioner Carr suggested draining over to the ditch and to build up the road. Mr. Monson stated to build up the road it will take about five to six feet build-up to fix the problem in that spot. Commissioner Carr asked for some time to go look at the spot; Vice Chairman Greger also requested some time to speak with the Township. Both Commissioners will report back at the next Commissioner meeting.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor had numerous items to go over. First, Ms. Risovi explained that she spoke with the TOPS individuals as well as numerous people in the courthouse. It is unknown what happened to the missing items that belong to the TOPS group. Ms. Risovi informed the Board that she suggested that TOPS start locking their items up since the Community Room is used by many people and organizations.

Ms. Risovi handed out the final decision of the Duck's Unlimited land sale. The Commissioners explained they had all received the same letter in the mail.

Ms. Risovi re-addressed Mr. Pat Biel with Pat Biel's Trucking, Inc. property tax incentive application. Ms. Risovi explained at the previous Commissioner meeting, the application was tabled until it was determined if Wyard Township agreed with the tax incentive. Wyard Township stated that the township had voted to recommend a five year 20% exemption for Pat Biel. With no further discussion, a motion to accept the five year tax incentive by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi handed out a brochure to all the Commissioners on the Pipeline Summit.

Ms. Risovi updated the Board on a company called 411 YP. Ms. Risovi stated that this company was requesting a payment for services for an online advertising business for Foster County. The Attorney General's office was involved due to some inaccurate billing and services that were not needed. Ms. Risovi handed out a cease and desist order so this company is no longer able to do business in North Dakota.

Ms. Risovi handed out paperwork from the Garrison Diversion. The paperwork included a check in the amount of \$174.15 for the Easement Option Extension that was approved by the Board of Commissioners on July 21, 2009.

Ms. Risovi handed out paperwork from Bartlett and West Engineers. The Greater Ramsey Water District is in the design phase of an expansion to the existing water system. The construction will take place during the 2014 and 2015 construction season. The routing for the pipeline for GRWD contract 2014-1 will cross land and require acquisition of a pipeline easement. The permanent easement will be 40 feet in width and 20 feet on either side of the pipeline centerline. GRWD requested, providing Board approval, signature on the pipeline easement agreement. With no further discussion, motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi re-addressed the election worker's wages. At the previous meeting, Ms. Risovi explained that the Board agreed to pay the election workers \$9.09/hour which was 25% above minimum wage and asked Ms. Risovi to check on the procedure of possibly paying the workers more than 25%. Ms. Risovi explained that the Counties out on the Western part of the State pay more and the procedure they used was the Board of Commissioners voted on a wage, their State's Attorney approved it and the wage was set. Ms. Risovi requested the same wages as the 2012 Election which was \$10.10/hour. Commissioner Carr stated that he believed the workers needed a raise because of their hard work and it is difficult to find people willing to work the Election. Commissioner Carr suggested \$10.50 or \$11.00/hour. After a brief discussion a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to pay the Election workers \$10.50/hour, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried provided the State's Attorney signs-off and also approves. Ms. Risovi stated she will be issuing an additional check to the workers for back pay if the SA agrees with the increase.

Ms. Risovi updated the Board on the Election. Ms. Risovi stated that the Canvassing Board met on June 16, 2014. She stated that there were four ballots up for review. Two were immediately rejected because they were only in the security envelopes. The other two that were up for discussion were missing the signature on the application post card but the other information was filled out and the ballots were signed. Ms. Risovi stated that after discussion, the Board unanimously approved to accept the ballots. The judges opened the ballots, signed them and Ms. Risovi processed them through the M100 machines and the results were uploaded to the State. Ms. Risovi went on to explain that Mr. Donnie Theis had requested a recount prior to the Canvassing Board meeting. Ms. Risovi went over the requirements for requesting a recount and then stated that after the two ballots were counted, there will not be a recount because the margin was now over 2% to request the recount. Ms. Risovi stated the other important fact that the Board needs to be made aware of is the race for State's Attorney. Ms. Risovi stated there were 52 write-in votes for Ms. Kathleen Murray which was enough votes to be placed on the ballot for the General Election. Ms. Risovi stated that she mailed the certificate of nomination to Ms. Murray.

Ms. Risovi handed out the cost spreadsheet showing what the Primary Election cost to the Commissioners.

Ms. Risovi handed out a copy of the proposed advertisement for the land sale in Melville. Ms. Risovi informed the Board that she had been working with SA, Paul Murphy on the procedure and wording of the sale. After a brief discussion, the land sale was tabled to allow Mr. Murphy to attend the meeting and get his legal opinion.

Ms. Risovi stated there is an ambulance meeting on June 18th at 7:00PM about the issues with the ambulance and future of the ambulance service. The Commissioners were requested to attend the meeting. After a brief discussion, the Commissioners all agreed to attend the meeting and to only observe.

The final item for Ms. Risovi was the six county meeting is scheduled in Wishek at 10:00AM on June 19th.

Nikki Mertz and Donnie Theis with Carrington Township attended the meeting to discuss software for the Township reports. Ms. Mertz handed out one of the Carrington Township reports to all the Board members and explained how the software would make doing the reports simpler and it would also help eliminate human error mistakes. The cost of the software is \$1,000 total for all townships and it is a one-time fee. Ms. Risovi explained to the Board that she contacted Dickey County who currently uses the software and they have found it very beneficial and it has made the reporting process easy for both the townships as well as the Auditor. After a short discussion, the Board asked Ms. Risovi to send a letter to all the townships asking their opinion on the software and a breakdown of the cost information.

Chairman Straley stated there is a 319 Watershed project meeting on June 19th at 9:00AM if any of the Commissioners can attend.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director attended the meeting via conference call. Ms. Scherr started with the abatements.

Mr. Richard Erickson parcels #00543000 2012 abatement \$84,100 with increase to \$95,900; #00567001 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012; #00572000 2012 abatement \$76,400 with increase to \$87,100; #00577000 2012 abatement \$67,800 with increase to \$77,300; #00578000 2012 abatement \$74,700 with increase to \$85,200; #00580000 2012 abatement \$12,700 with increase to \$14,500; #00582000 2012 abatement \$100,800 with increase to \$114,900; #00641000 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012. Motion to approve as recommended by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Mr. Richard Erickson #00613000 no previous adjustment on cropland 2012; #00619000 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012; #00640000 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012. After a long discussion, a motion to table the abatement to have the soils committee look at the parcels listed by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Mr. Dale Kracht parcel #00318000 abatement \$80,000 with increase to \$91,200. The adjustment to the 2012 value wasn't made before tax statements were finalized. Therefore, Ms.

Scherr adjusted the value to the previous abated value and added the increase to that and determined the 2013 value. Motion to accept as recommended by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Scherr then reviewed the testimony from the Board of Equalization meeting and made the following recommendations to the Board:

Ms. Adeline Walen: NW ¼ 4-146-62 (Glenfield Township) mapping seems according to aerial view and soil maps 141.4599 of agricultural land, 19.1501 of non-productive land. Motion to leave the values the same by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Straley. With no further discussion, Role Call vote: Vice Chairman Greger yes, Commissioner Carr no, Chairman Straley yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Joanne Jensen on behalf of Mr. Myron Reimers: SE ¼ 29-146-64 (Haven Township) contains CRP and is considered agricultural land consisting of 157.9865 acres with 2.0135 acres of road with no value, according to the aerial mapping and soil mapping this seems to be accurate per Ms. Scherr. Soil values in the agricultural acres reflect the poor soil values and appear accurate. NW ¼ 14-146-65 (Rose Hill Township) aerial map and soil maps show 145.3298 agricultural acres, 14.1723 non-agricultural acres, non-productive acres 0.4979 and appears accurate. Soil values in the agricultural acres reflect the poor soil values and appear accurate. SW ¼ 22-146-65 (Rose Hill Township) mapping appears accurate with 131.1438 agricultural acres, 26.8555 acres of non-agricultural acres, and 2.0007 acres of road. Soil values in the agricultural acres reflect the poor soil values and appear accurate. NW ¼ 23-146-65 (Rose Hill Township) contains 106.4663 acres of agricultural land, 47.8796 non-agricultural acres, 0.3487 non-productive acres, 2.4754 acres of road, both soil and aerial maps show the same results. Soil values and land use appear accurate. Motion by Commissioner Carr to table it to take a look at it, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Role Call vote: Vice Chairman Greger yes, Commissioner Carr yes, Chairman Straley no. Motion carried.

Mr. Gene Doeling: NE ¼ 33-146-65 (Rose Hill Township) contains 129.7620 acres of agricultural land, 28.2446 non-productive acres, 1.9934 acres for road. On February 19, 2013 an application of 2012 inundated land totaling 23.6 acres was filed. The acres calculated for 2013 exceed the previously filed acreage. The soil map and aerial map appear accurate. NW ¼ 34-146-65 (Rose Hill Township) contains CRP and is considered agricultural land of 72.5902 acres, 32.9810 non-agricultural acres, 54.4288 non-productive acres. The non-agricultural and non-productive acres total 87.4098 acres and the 2012 application filed contained 71.7 acres of inundated land. The aerial map and soils maps are marked according to the land use and soil values appearing accurate. Motion to remain as is by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Mr. Duane Mullenberg: NW ¼ 8-147-66 (Estabrook Township) mapping shows 142.6234 agricultural acres, 8.8572 non-agricultural acres, 1.9194 acres of road and that appears accurate. Soil values in the agricultural acres reflect the poor soil values and appear accurate per Ms. Scherr. SW ¼ 16-147-66 (Estabrook Township) appears accurately mapped according to soils and land use, 145.5237 agricultural acres, 12.4715 non-productive acres, 2.0048 acres of road. Soil value sand land use all adjusted and appear accurate. SE ¼ 16-147-66 (Estabrook Township) includes 144.9687 agricultural acres, 11.0554 non-productive acres, 3.9759 acres of road. Soil values and land use all adjusted and appear accurate per Ms. Scherr. Motion to remain the same by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. James Carr: NE ¼ 25-146-67 (Wyand Township) soil maps and aerial maps show 79.3728 acres of agricultural land, 68.9707 acres of non-agricultural land, 7.2689 acres of non-productive land and 1.9676 acres of road. Soil values and land use all adjusted and appear accurate per Ms. Scherr. Balance of SE ¼ 25-146-67 (Wyand Township) contains 58.9592 acres of agricultural land, 88.1043 acres of non-agricultural land, 0.5365 acres of non-productive land. Soil values and land use adjusted and appear accurate per Ms. Scherr. Motion to table to have soils committee look at it by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Mr. Lance Yohi with North Dakota Missouri River Stakeholders appeared before the Board to discuss their mission and vision. Their goal per Mr. Yohi is to create a grassroots statewide organization to promote North Dakota's Missouri River interests.

SA, Paul Murphy attended the meeting. The Board and Mr. Murphy discussed the Melville land sale. After a brief discussion, Mr. Murphy stated if the land sale was obtained from back taxes, it will need to be sold in October or November. Mr. Murphy stated he will do more checking in regards to the appraisal of the land.

Discussion about the Canvassing Board's decision to accept the two ballots between the Commissioners and Mr. Murphy ensued. Mr. Murphy stated that his suggestion would have been to reject the ballots. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy to obtain a legal opinion.

Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy who authorized the recording on the telephone, Chairman Straley stated he did. Mr. Ted Keller started playing a recording of a phone call at which point Chairman Straley requested Mr. Keller turn the recording off. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller to turn the recording off by telling Mr. Keller he was disrupting a public meeting.

Mr. Paul Murphy had to leave the meeting to attend court.

Lisa Solwey, RN attending the meeting to explain to the Board that there will be many expenditures coming through as her department is spending down some grants. She is looking at a new printer and a new exam table.

Mr. Paul Murphy re-attended the meeting. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy to check into the legalities of paying the Election Board members a higher wage than the 25% that is listed in the NDCC.

Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy about the wages for the Emergency Manager and Auditor and if Mr. Murphy had an answer if it was legal or not to be paid as both. Mr. Murphy stated that the legislature and the Supreme Court have not answered anything like this in regards to wages. Mr. Murphy stated it isn't clear and he cannot say either way. Commissioner Carr stated that Risovi is doing the same as thing as Roger Schlotman. Mr. Murphy stated he cannot comment on the criminal case but he can only speculate that the difference is because there are two job titles.

Mr. Ted Keller started playing the tape recording of the phone conversation. Chairman Straley told Mr. Keller he is disrupting a public meeting and told him to stop the recording. After repeating several times to Mr. Keller to stop the recording, Chairman Straley asked Sheriff Mike Tufte to escort Mr. Keller from the meeting.

Ms. Judy Keller interrupted the meeting and addressed the Board which Chairman Straley informed Ms. Keller she is out of order. Ms. Keller continued to address the Board, at which time Chairman Straley told Ms. Keller to leave the meeting.

Mr. Joel Rindy interrupted the meeting and addressed the Board. Mr. Rindy was discussing the results of the Primary Election, which Chairman Straley informed him he was out of order. Mr. Rindy continued to address the Board, which Chairman Straley informed Mr. Rindy to leave the meeting.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

17147	AFLAC	\$2,157.89
17148	ALCO	\$97.23
17149	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$1,407.76
17150	BARB'S ROSE GARDEN	\$156.78
17151	THE BAKERY BOX	\$240.00
17152	BONNIE MULLENBERG	\$398.03
17153	BRENDA HOECKLE	\$191.10
17154	BRISS OIL	\$125.00
17155	BROWN & SAENGER	\$152.65
17156	C&J OIL	\$2,432.33
17157	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$385.97
17158	CASS COUNTY TREASURER	\$225.00
17159	CENTURY LINK	\$191.88
17160	CHARMAINE ALBRECHT	\$227.25
17161	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$62.75
17162	CLINTON SHERMAN	\$520.00
17163	COLLEEN SWEET	\$67.34
17164	COMFORT INN	\$74.00
17165	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	\$2,225.00
17166	DAKOTA CENTRAL	\$1,691.66
17167	DAKOTA DUST TEX	\$588.40
17168	ERICKSON IMPLEMENT	\$125.30
17169	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$3,078.96
17170	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$110.00
17171	HENRY HEAD	\$200.00
17172	HENRY SCHEIN	\$253.24
17173	HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY	\$562.00
17174	HI WAY TESORO	\$51.01
17175	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$692.40
17176	JESSICA EARLE	\$145.60
17177	JOANN HOLLATZ	\$209.07
17178	JOEL LEMER	\$54.32
17179	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER	\$8,100.00
17180	LINDSAY DREHER	\$10.00
17181	LISA SOLWEY	\$572.06
17182	LONA LUTZ	\$283.25
17183	MARCO	\$1,038.66

17184	MARLENE BOYER	\$227.25
17185	MINA HALL	\$800.00
17186	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$231.50
17187	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$65.00
17188	NDACS	\$75.00
	NORTH DAKOTA NEWSPAPER	
17189	ASSOCIATION	\$59.52
17190	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL	\$645.00
17191	OFFICE DEPOT	\$612.88
17192	OK TIRE	\$76.90
17193	PAT BIEL TRUCKING	\$9,262.06
17194	PATRICIA TORGERSON	\$227.25
17195	PAUL HAGEL	\$100.00
17196	PAUL MURPHY	\$71.91
17197	PHARMCHEM	\$42.00
17198	POSTMASTER	\$84.00
17199	PSS WORLD MEDICAL INC.	\$32.76
17200	RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$201.78
17201	SANOFI PASTEUR INC.	\$34.95
17202	SEABOARD ASPHALT PRODUCTS COMPANY	\$2,170.51
17203	TAMARA BECKER	\$403.50
17204	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	\$300.00
17205	DAKOTA CENTRAL	\$50.00

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder	May Revenue	\$2,926.00
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With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 11:53AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on July 1, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 1, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and many others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the June 17, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Carr to remove the paragraph where Auditor Teresa Risovi was talking about the Election results. Seconded by Vice Chairman Greger to open a discussion. After a long discussion, Chairman Straley stated that he believed the paragraph should stay in the minutes because it was an update at the meeting and it did occur. Role Call vote: Vice Chairman Greger, no; Commissioner Carr, yes; Chairman Straley, no. Motion died, the paragraph in question will remain in the minutes.

Commissioner Carr requested to add to the paragraph that stated: Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy who authorized the record on the telephone. Commissioner Carr requested to add that Chairman Straley stated he authorized the recording of the telephone.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

The minutes from the Board of Equalization minutes were reviewed. Vice Chairman Greger requested to add to Mr. Myron Reimers paragraph at the end to reflect that the motion was to go with the recommendation of Ms. Scherr.

Motion to accept approved minutes with corrections by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, updated the Board on the Rip Rap project on the McHenry Road at the Foster County/Griggs County line.

Mr. Monson spoke to the board about the North Juanita Lake Road. He stated they will need to install an 18" culvert and build up the road 30 inches. The cost should be no more than \$4,000. Chairman Straley asked Commissioner Carr why he made the decision without the Board's approval. After a brief discussion among the Board members; Mr. Monson stated that he is in favor of Commissioner Carr's decision to fix the road. Vice Chairman Greger stated that if money is involved, the decision should have been brought to the Board. After more discussion, Vice Chairman Greger stated the Townships are willing to help fix the section lines and Commissioner Carr stated the crossing needs to get fixed first. The Board decided to do 6 inches over the culvert at the high point instead of the 30 inches.

Mr. Monson stated that they fixed the SE wing wall on both the Dump-ground bridge and the Munsen bridge with rock and recycled asphalt last week due to erosion from rain runoff.

The Chairman of Longview Township requested additional signage at the corner of 62nd Ave and Main Street. They are requesting a Stop Sign at the Main Street corner and also an obstructed intersection ahead with a 35 MPH sign coming from the south. Mr. Monson stated it is a safety issue and it is a County Aid road. Mr. Monson stated this is temporary until the corn is harvested. The Board approved the purchase of the Stop sign and the 35 MPH sign.

Commissioner Carr read a letter of appreciation to the road crew from Mr. Doug Zink.

Mr. Monson updated the board on the overlay on the Kensal Road. They are going to do patch work in early August and overlay towards the end of August. The Road crew put gravel in a couple bad spots last week and are blading them each week.

The final item Mr. Monson discussed was that the Road crew will be starting to mow the ditches on the highways. Mr. Monson put an advertisement in the paper and he has also talked to a few people that hay ditches.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director attending the meeting. Ms. Scherr asked the Board if Erickson's parcel had been checked out as per previously discussed. Commissioner Carr stated no.

Commissioner Carr discussed his parcel in regards to the Board of Equalization. Commissioner Carr stated that Lynn Schroeder informed Mr. Carr that the soil should be reduced. Chairman Straley asked if anything was given to Ms. Scherr in writing, which Ms. Scherr stated no. After a short discussion, Ms. Scherr told Commissioner Carr that if he has any proof or other documentation she would be happy to take another look and change it.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor addressed the Board with an update on the record keeping software for the Townships. Ms. Risovi stated she sent a letter to the Townships clerks/treasurers asking them to notify her if they were or were not in favor of the purchase of the software. Motion by Commissioner Carr to wait to purchase the software to see if there is more of an interest. Motion died for lack of second. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the software for \$1,000 and charge each township what wishes to participate \$50 and Foster County will pay the rest of the fee, seconded by Chairman Straley. With no further discussion, role call vote: Vice Chairman Greger, yes;

Commissioner Carr, no; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried. Chairman Straley stated to have the Auditor's office mail a letter to each Township with the decision.

Mr. Melvin Schramm was next on the agenda to inquire about some land. Mr. Schramm handed the Board members a map showing the land in question and stated that he is the spokesman for a group of individuals who are interested in buying the property to have it developed. The land in question is located at West Main St and 66th Ave. Mr. Schramm asked if the Board could put it out for bids. Chairman Straley stated to give the information to the States Attorney and have Mr. Murphy do research on the property. Mr. Murphy was at the meeting and stated that based on what he saw thus far, it looks like the land could be sold and would not have to wait for the tax sale; however he will do more research and report back at the next meeting.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided a letter to the Board for a release of funds. Vice Chairman Greger stated that the Water Resource Board pays their own dues and to get the information to them.

Ms. Risovi provided the board with some building permits. The first permit was for Mr. Dustin Hinrichs, NE ¼ of section 12 of Birtsell Township, range 67, Barlow block 7. It is to construct footings and foundation for a house to be moved in. Ms. Risovi stated that Mr. John Holth, President of Planning and Zoning saw no problem with the permit. Motion to approve the permit by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

The second permit was from Mr. & Mrs. Rick Nysted, Auditor's lot 225, SE ¼. 14-146-65. It is for a house. Ms. Risovi stated that Mr. John Holth, President of Planning and Zoning saw no problem with the permit. Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve the permit, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

The last permit was for Mr. and Mrs. Guthmiller, Auditor's lot 70 SW 1/4, 14-146-66. It is to build a new home. Ms. Risovi stated that Mr. John Holth, President of Planning and Zoning saw no problem with the permit. Motion to approve permit by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Glen with Otis Elevator attended the meeting to discuss the elevator repairs to the Board. Mr. Glen stated that there was a surge on the elevator that appears the elevator was struck by lightning. Mr. Glen stated that Otis recommends an upgrade by moving the equipment out of the old Sheriff's residence and over to the courthouse. If that upgrade was completed it would cost approximately \$63,00-\$65,000, Mr. Glen stated that the elevator would basically be brand new. Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the Insurance Claim information along with photos of the damage and the elevator repair estimate. After a lengthy discussion with Mr. Glen and the Board, the Board stated that the elevator needs to be fixed and that will be an insurance claim and when doing the upcoming budget more discussion will need to be had to discuss the future of the elevator. Motion by Commissioner Carr to order the parts at a cost of \$4,203.04, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Further discussion about ordering parts for the elevator and how long it will take to get fixed with the Board and Mr. Greg. Mr. Greg suggested to also purchase a heater to keep the oil heated at a correct temperature. Vice Chairman Greger suggested fixing the elevator through insurance and then look at over the next two years doing an upgrade. Correction to the original Motion to include the initial elevator repairs and to also include the heater by Commissioner Carr, and seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. The Board stated insurance will fix the elevator and Foster County will purchase the heater. Role Call vote: Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Commissioner Carr, yes; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Jerry Biel attended the meeting to further discuss the Melville lots. Mr. Biel stated that one of the partial lots is a warranty deed and the other is a deed of private sale, based on these two deeds Mr. Biel stated the partial lots should be able to be sold and not wait until the tax sale in November. Chairman Straley asked the States Attorney, Mr. Murphy to check to find out how the lots were acquired by Foster County and report back at the next meeting.

Paul Murphy, States Attorney was next on the agenda with some updates. Mr. Murphy stated that he is okay with supporting the Commissioners decision to pay the Election Board members \$10.50/hour.

In regards to the Melville partial lots, Mr. Murphy stated the land might need to be appraised but he will do further research.

The Board asked about the letter from the Secretary of State's office in regards to the Canvassing Board's decision with the two ballots without a signature. Vice Chairman Greger asked Mr. Murphy how it was possible for the general public to obtain a copy of the letter prior to the Commissioners receiving a letter. Mr. Murphy stated that he receives public requests in his office and he released it. After a brief discussion about the BCI investigation and the Canvassing Board's decision, Vice Chairman Greger stated it isn't the Commissioner's place to make any decisions over the Canvassing Board.

Chairman Straley provided the Board with a letter from the ND State Interoperability Executive Committee. There will be a meeting in Bismarck on July 8, 2014 at 1:00PM. Chairman Straley stated he will talk to Sheriff Mike Tufte to see if either the Sheriff or he will try to make it to the meeting.

Vice Chairman Greger stated the Weed Board is asking for approval to have Jeff Bata serve on the Board. Motion by accept Jeff Bata’s appointment to the Weed Board by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried. Auditor is to send a letter stating the approval.

Vice Chairman Greger stated that Susie Brandt’s resignation was effective July 1, 2014 and he asked Commissioner Carr if he spoke to Ms. Brandt at all about her resignation as was previously discussed. Commissioner Carr stated no. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Ms. Brandt’s resignation, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion Carried.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept Lisa Formwalt to the Social Services Board, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried. Auditor to get information to Ms. Guynell Klein, Eligibility Worker with Foster County Social Services.

Lisa Solwey, RN addressed the Board about some wooden chairs that are being replaced. Ms. Solwey asked how to go about selling the chairs. Chairman Straley stated to post a sign on the bulletin board for two weeks and the highest bidder may purchase the chairs.

Board on motion approved the following bills:
Social Services bills approved 6/31/14 \$9,116.16

17215	AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES	\$1,561.31
17217	THE BAKERY BOX	\$140.00
17218	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$64.00
17219	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$215.00
17220	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$194.95
17221	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER	\$42.64
17222	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING	\$40.50
17223	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$426.25
17224	COLLEEN SWEET	\$1,851.12
17225	COMFORT INN	\$296.00
17226	COREAN SWART	\$140.00
17227	DAKOTA CENTRAL	\$47.89
17228	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	\$241.55
17229	DANA SCHERR	\$312.06
17230	DOUBLEWOOD INN	\$149.40
17231	EIDE BAILLY, LLP	\$6,610.00
17232	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$44.24
17233	GREAT RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$42.00
	HEALTHCARE ENVIROMENTAL SERVICES	
17234	INC	\$157.50
17235	HENRY HEAD	\$25.40
17236	HEWLETT-PACJARD COMPANY	\$1,098.00
17237	J&J STRIPING	\$1,107.30
17238	JAMES CARR	\$45.00
17239	JEFF GOLZ	\$1,000.00
17240	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$507.46
17241	KD HOYT INC	\$10,400.00
17242	LISA SOLWEY	\$95.90
17243	LISA WENINGER	\$25.00
17244	LYNELLE LYMAN HOPPE	\$116.06
17245	MARCO	\$271.98
17246	MDU	\$49.93
17247	MELANIE HESCH	\$7.84
17248	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$1,596.35
17249	NOREEN BARTON	\$186.20
17250	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC	\$239.57
17251	OFFICE DEPOT	\$277.55
17252	OTTERTAIL	\$1,215.58
17253	RELIASTAR LIFE INS	\$65.72
17254	RUNNINGS	\$116.28

17255	TWIN OAKS RESORT	\$210.00
17256	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$390.46
17257	XEROX CORPERATION	\$87.78

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With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:35AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on July 15, 2014 at 8:30AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 15, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the July 1, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Chairman Straley noted a typo on the paragraph discussing the Otis Elevator. The typo read Furth discussion about ordering parts... The correction should read, Further discussion about ordering parts... Motion to approve the minutes as corrected by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

The minutes from June 17, 2014 were signed by Chairman Straley as well as the Board of Equalization minutes from June 23, 2014.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, had several items to discuss with the Board. On North Juanita Lake Road, an 18" culvert was installed and the road was built up 30" the total cost of the project was \$2,700.

Ditches have been mowed except for those left for hay.

Work on the first three miles of Juanita Road has been completed. There were ten bad spots and gravel was hauled in, this is a shared cost with Rolling Prairie Township.

Mr. Monson will be spraying the beach at Juanita Lake.

Mr. Monson requested four new tires for the tandem truck #5. Mr. Monson asked the board if he can go ahead with the lowest bid and purchase the tires, which the Board approved.

The final item Mr. Monson addressed with the Board was chipping roads for next year. After a brief discussion it was determined that Foster County has approximately six miles in total to be chipped.

Commissioner Carr discussed the County Shop. Commissioner Carr stated he took Mr. Monson with him to look at some of Mr. Carr's buildings. After a brief discussion, Chairman Straley asked Commissioner Carr to provide cost estimates to the Board. Commissioner Carr stated he is looking at a wood building and for it to be placed on the South side. Vice Chairman Greger will also go with Mr. Monson to look at some buildings.

Update on Mr. Erickson's land was next on the agenda. Commissioner Carr stated he has not had time to go look at the property in question. The Board stated that a decision will need to be made at the next County Commissioner meeting to provide Ms. Scherr with a decision.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided a letter from the ND Department of Emergency Services to the Board on raised 911 fees. The fees are going up from \$0.42 to \$0.44 starting July 1, 2015.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board the ND Insurance Department paperwork on the elevator claim from being struck by lightning the cost estimate for the claim is \$4,203.04.

Teresa Risovi, Emergency Manager provided the FEMA 2010 audit letter from ND Department of Emergency Services to the Board. Ms. Risovi explained that FEMA was very pleased with the recording keeping she provided and the Audit did not find anything substantial. Ms. Risovi stated that any Project Worksheets (PWs) under \$1,000 are not counted and that money does not need to be paid back.

Paul Murphy, SA attended the meeting. Mr. Murphy first addressed the Melville partial lots to give an update. Mr. Murphy stated that it appears that since they were obtained through back taxes, they will need to wait to be sold in November. They will also probably need to be appraised. Commissioner Carr questioned the location of the partial lots stating that he believed that it could be the Highway Department who owns the partial lots. Mr. Murphy stated no, the County does own the partial lots; however Mr. Murphy stated he will have to do more checking in regards to the highway right-of-way.

Mr. Murphy updated on 66th Ave/Main St land, Mr. Murphy stated this land was obtained by deed, not back taxes. Mr. Murphy suggests that this land also wait for the November sale. Mr. Murphy stated something will need to be worded to accept or reject any or all bids in regards to this land and it should probably also be appraised.

Commissioner Carr addressed the Board and stated he is planning on contacting Mr. Al Jaeger with Secretary of State's Office to stop the process of having mail-in ballots and he is going to get more ballot boxes to have more polling places.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

17338	AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES	1,561.31
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17339	ALCO STORES, INC.	81.81
17340	ARROWWOD ELECTRIC LLP	3,283.37
17341	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	1,099.60
17342	BEST WESTERN FARGO DOUBLEWOOD INN	149.40
17343	BONNIE MULLENBERG	4.27
17344	BRISS OIL COMPANY	94.50
17345	BROWN & SAENGER	2,992.38
17346	C & J OIL COMPANY	11,285.51
17347	CARRINGTON DRUG INC.	19.31
17348	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	249.90
17349	CARRINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT #49	202.80
17350	CENTER FOR TOBACCO PREVENTION & CONTROL	35.00
17351	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	3,670.88
17352	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	69.00
17353	CENTURYLINK	191.88
17354	CITY OF CARRINGTON	310.11
17355	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	264.44
17356	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	875.00
17357	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I	890.33
17358	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUN.	53.22
17359	DONNA F ANDERSON	6.75
17360	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	3,209.93
17361	FOSTER COUNTY WEED BOARD	1,525.00
17362	GATE CITY BANK	440.50
17363	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	220.00
17364	HEATHER R MARTIN	48.16
17365	HENRY HEAD	302.04
17366	HENRY SCHEIN	92.65
17367	HIWAY TESORO	172.15
17368	HOPKINS MEDICAL PRODUCTS	168.90
17369	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	691.05
17370	INNOCORP LTD	196.95
17371	JAMES E CARR	224.00
17372	KREISERS INC.	155.76
17373	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	6,635.00
17374	LINDSAY J DREHER	10.00
17375	LISA D SOLWEY	50.40
17376	MEDICAL ARTS PRESS	549.97
17377	MELANIE G HESCH	35.00
17378	MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	570.08
17379	MLGC	269.91
17380	NAPA AUTO PARTS	321.27
17381	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	88.02
17382	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	80.00
17383	NDAAO	180.00
17384	ND NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION	178.20
17385	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	6,877.38
17386	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	60.00
17387	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	32.19
17388	OFFICE DEPOT	56.72
17389	OK TIRE STORE	36.90
17390	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	22,534.40
17391	PAUL C MURPHY	443.22
17392	PAUL C MURPHY	136.14
17393	PHARMCHEM INC	21.00
17394	PSS WORLD MEDICAL, INC.	54.95
17395	RANDY'S ELECTRIC	60.00
17396	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	73.24
17397	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	338.46

17398	SIDWELL COMPANY	965.00
17399	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	720.00
17400	***VOID***	
17401	THE BAKERY BOX	78.00
17402	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	390.00
17403	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	1,016.45
17404	TERESA RISOVİ	172.09

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder

June Revenue

\$1,904.00

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on August 5, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi

Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 5, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the July 15, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

The minutes from July 1, 2014 were signed by Chairman Straley.

Kenneth Dalsted, Dalsted & Ryan, PC Law Offices representing Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Biel on behalf of the Melville property. Mr. Jerry Biel was also in attendance. Mr. Dalsted explained to the Board that the partial lots in Melville, ND were acquired by regular deed. He explained that no tax proceedings were on file. Mr. Dalsted explained that according to the NDCC if the value is less than \$1,000, the Board can do a private sale. Mr. Dalsted went on to say that he would like to make the recommendation to have the County Assessor appraise the land in question. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to have the County Assessor, Dana Scherr, appraise the portion of lots known as Lots 1, 2, 3, 16, 17, and 18 Blok 9 less highway right of way, Townsite Melville, ND, seconded by Chairman Straley. Mr. Dalsted stated that Mr. & Mrs. Biel will pay the appraisal price or up to \$500. With no further discussion; roll call vote: Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Commissioner Carr, no; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, had several items to discuss with the Board. Mr. Monson stated there are a lot of trees that have been cleaned up after the wind storm on July 21, 2014.

Mr. Monson stated if the County is going to look at chipping any roads in the next year, we need to locate the chips for those roads. It takes approximately 180 yards per mile. There was a short discussion about looking at doing micro surfacing versus chips.

Kensal road progress; Hoyt will start subgrade repair the last week of August, Mayo paving is scheduled for September 22, and there is a pre-construction meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the Foster County Courthouse. Vice Chairman Greger stated he will try to attend the meeting.

Mr. Monson spoke with Keith at the State Highway and obtained information on sanding options for the highways this winter. A salt/sodium chloride mix would be provided by a company called NSC Minerals, LTD. The cost is \$42/ton. Mr. Monson stated the salt can be ordered at any time; however, he recommends ordering the first part of October.

Mr. Monson asked the Board about purchasing a new pickup for the County shop. He requested to move the white 2004 Dodge to the Grace City shop. He is requesting a ¾ ton to pull the crack sealer, air compressor, and trailers. Chairman Straley will assist Mr. Monson on getting some pricing for a different pickup.

Mr. Monson and the Board discussed the shop. Mr. Monson stated that as long as no State money is used the existing plans could also be used for electrical, plumbing, and mechanical to meet city and state specifications. Additional information provided to the Board included looking at changing the shop from 60 feet wide to 70 feet wide and it would add approximately \$40,000 on the cost of the building project. After a long discussion, the Board decided it is best to look at the specifications and see what can all be used for both a steel or wood building.

Mr. Paul Murphy, SA joined the meeting. The Board asked Mr. Murphy about the Melville property which Mr. Murphy stated the land was acquired by private sale.

Noreen Barton, Treasurer provided the Board with the Pledge of Assets. Motion to accept the Pledge of Assets by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Ms. Caroline Golz with Lake Juanita provided the Board with the list of donations they received to help purchase the new playground equipment. Garrison Diversion provided a grant in the amount of \$1,061, and donations totaling \$1,100. The cost of the new playground equipment before the grant and donations is \$7,035, with shipping. A motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the playground equipment in the amount of \$4,874, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Golz told the Board that they are painting the restrooms at Lake Juanita and will submit their hours worked when finished.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director joined to meeting to discuss Mr. Erickson's abatement. Ms. Scherr stated that Mr. Erickson is satisfied with her recommendation. With Bordulac Township also approving the abatement, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the recommendations for abatements according to the decision of the soils committee on parcels #00613000, no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012; #00619000 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012; and

#00640000 no previous adjustment on cropland in 2012, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Joel Rindy interjected and was debating with Board. Chairman Straley told Mr. Rindy to be quiet and to stop disrupting a public meeting. Mr. Rindy continued on. Chairman Straley pushed the remote alarm button to have the Deputy escort Mr. Rindy from the meeting. Deputy Danielle Rosewaren escorted Mr. Rindy from the meeting.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided the Board with a letter from ND Surplus Property. Ms. Risovi explained they update their records every ten years and the Auditor's office was providing the newest information to them but it requires the Chairman's signature.

Ms. Risovi spoke to the Board about the ATRR accounting software for the Townships. Ms. Risovi provided the quote to the Board explaining the price is actually cheaper than she was original quoted because Foster County only has 18 townships. After a short discussion, Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to charge any townships that wish to use the software a \$35 one-time fee and any townships that have already paid to reimburse them \$15, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Garrison Diversion sent paperwork for the Board's information. They sent paperwork showing a resolution and certified copy of Garrison Diversion's 2015 budget, indicating the Board of Director's decision to levy one mill against the lands within Garrison Diversion's boundaries in order to carry out their initiatives.

Ms. Risovi presented a building permit for Mr. and Mrs. Van Bedaf. Ms. Risovi informed the Board that Mr. John Holth with Planning and Zoning stated no action is needed by Planning and Zoning. Motion to accept the building permit by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi presented the Board with paperwork from Crowley and Fleck Attorneys. They provided information on the Cenex Pipeline LLC 2014 ten-year plan.

Ms. Risovi handed a photo of a damaged tree from the County's park that was provided by the Maintenance Engineer, Cheryl Fettig. Ms. Risovi asked the Board how they would like Ms. Fettig to handle the tree. Chairman Straley stated that Ms. Fettig should talk to Mr. Nate Monson and ask the County Shop to assist her.

Teresa Risovi, EM provided the Board with a letter from ND DES stating that the 2013 EMPG grant has \$8,987.54 remaining that needs to be expended no later than September 30, 2014. Ms. Risovi stated that her office is working with other departments to meet their needs.

Chairman Straley asked Leasa Lura, Foster County Independent reporter to explain the error in the paper in regards to the County Shop location. Ms. Lura stated it was an error. Chairman Straley asked if it was possible to have the article following the Commissioner meeting proofread by Mr. Monson especially if it is in regards to the new shop. Ms. Lura stated she would check.

Aaron Abaurrea and Eric Zink addressed the Board in regards to doing a county-wide assessment. Mr. Abaurrea stated that assessing the county does not mean that taxes will go up. It is about equalization. Mr. Abaurrea stated that the State says the properties should be assessed at the true and full value and it strongly recommended by the State to do the assessment. Mr. Abaurrea will submit a quote for the next Commissioner meeting.

Commissioner Jim Carr asked about the bill for the forensic audit in regards to the criminal case. Auditor Risovi provided Commissioner Carr a copy of the voucher and invoice to show that all Commissioners did sign off on the voucher. Commissioner Carr starting talking about the criminal case in which Chairman Straley instructor Commissioner Carr to stop talking about the case.

Commissioner Carr then asked the Board what needed to be done about the votes and the missing 300 ballots. Commissioner Carr explained that Auditor Risovi certified the wrong amount. Mr. Paul Murphy, SA rejoined the meeting and Commissioner Carr addressed Mr. Murphy by stating what do we do about yesterday? Mr. Murphy stated the ball is in any candidate's hands, he stated we don't know where the votes are. Mr. Murphy stated that he doesn't believe anyone knows what do to. He went on to say that one candidate can contest the entire election and a judge will make the decision. Commissioner Carr asked again, where are the votes? Mr. Murphy said it might be computer or clerical error or something. Commissioner Carr requested Mr. Murphy bring in BCI to investigate because he believes something criminal occurred. Commissioner Carr went on to say that there were many ballots that had a write-in for Ms. Kathleen Murray that were signed by the same person or same two people. Auditor Risovi asked why they were looking at the States Attorney contest because that was illegal because the recount was for the Commissioner race only. Mr. Murphy stated that they can examine the ballots for whatever and not just the Commissioner race. Mr. Murphy stated he does not believe there was a violation.

Commissioner Carr handed court paperwork to the other Commissioners and asked the Commissioners why Ms. Risovi’s bankruptcy was not made public. Mr. Ted Keller interjected and Chairman Straley informed Mr. Keller to be quiet or remove himself from the meeting. Mr. Keller stated he will leave which he left the Commissioner’s Room. Chairman Straley stated to Commissioner Carr that this is not County business. Mr. Carr stated he believes it is.

Social Services bills approved 7/31/14 \$ 17,135.92

17412	MAYO CLINIC	\$ 100.00
17420	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 154.43
17421	AFLAC	\$ 1,199.17
17422	ARIANNE MARTINOVICH	\$ 558.88
17423	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$ 48.00
17424	BONNIE MULLENBERG	\$ 159.15
17425	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$ 215.00
17426	BRENDA HOECKLE	\$ 9.21
17427	BRISS OIL COMPANY	\$ 87.00
17428	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$ 89.55
17429	C & J OIL COMPANY	\$ 8,147.05
17430	CARRINGTON MOTORS INC	\$ 330.00
17431	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	\$ 13.50
17432	CHARMAINE ALBRECHT	\$ 86.63
17433	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$ 121.80
17434	COLLEEN SWEET	\$ 2,525.65
17435	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	\$ 199.56
17436	ERICKSON IMPLEMENT INC.	\$ 271.00
17437	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 98.00
17438	GEORGE TOPP	\$ 68.25
17439	GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	\$ 366.30
17440	GRAND INTERNATIONAL INN	\$ 139.90
17441	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$ 42.00
17442	HAMPTON INN & SUITES GRAND FORKS	\$ 149.40
17443	HENRY HEAD	\$ 120.00
17444	HIWAY TESORO	\$ 306.06
17445	JESSICA EARLE	\$ 44.80
17446	JOEL LEMER	\$ 185.78
17447	JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 165.08
17448	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$ 81.11
17449	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	\$ 5,645.00
17453	LISA D SOLWEY	\$ 214.36
17454	LONA LUTZ	\$ 81.38
17455	LISA M. WENINGER	\$ 25.00
17456	MARCO, INC.	\$ 242.95
17457	CONTROL SOLUTIONS, INC.	\$ 41.00
17458	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$ 850.34
17459	MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC.	\$ 440.51
17460	MDU COMPANY	\$ 24.85
17461	MLGC	\$ 269.91
17462	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$ 31.02
17463	NDACS	\$ 50.00
17464	NOREEN A BARTON	\$ 161.70
17465	NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	\$ 150.00
17466	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP.	\$ 44.87
17467	OFFICE DEPOT	\$ 48.61
17468	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	\$ 745.00
17469	OK TIRE STORE	\$ 73.80
17470	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	\$ 4,203.04
17471	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$ 29,113.30
17472	PATRICIA TORGERSO	\$ 86.63
17473	PAUL C MURPHY	\$ 20.00
17474	RANDY’S ELECTRIC	\$ 962.52

17475	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	\$ 32.08
17476	RICK'S WHOLESALE TIRE INC.	\$ 1,511.96
17477	RUBBER STAMPS UNLIMITED	\$ 42.50
17478	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	\$ 634.19
17479	SANOFI PASTEUR INC	\$ 35.66
17480	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	\$ 177.68
17481	SHANNON HILFER	\$ 1,375.25
17482	SUPER VALU FOODS	\$ 90.23
17483	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	\$ 750.00
17484	TERESA RISОВI	\$ 311.36
17485	THE BAKERY BOX	\$ 300.00
17486	US POSTAL SERVICE	\$ 568.75
17487	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 137.22
17488	XEROX CORPORATION	\$ 70.46

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder

July Revenue

\$2,189.00

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on August 19, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi

Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 19, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the August 5, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Vice Chairman Greger. Commissioner Carr stated he has something to say, he said that the minutes reflect that Teresa Risovi's bankruptcy is not County business but it is public business because it is the same as stealing. Chairman Straley stated it is public record it is not County business. With no further discussion, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, reported to the Board the preconference construction meeting for the Kensal Road project was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2014. Hoyt construction will start the subgrade repair the end of August. Mayo Paving is scheduled for September 22, 2014.

Mr. Monson discussed the need for salt for sanding the highways this winter. After a short discussion, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase the salt, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson provided the Board with quote information from Bessette's and Hatton's for a new pickup. Bid 1 from Bessette's was for \$30,100 for a ¾ ton 2015 Chevy 2500. Bid 2 from Bessette's was for \$29,179 for a ¾ ton 2015 Ford 250. The bid from Hatton was \$28,247 for a ¾ ton for a 2015 Ford 250. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to purchase bid 2 from Bessette's for \$29,179, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Mr. Monson provided the board information on chipping and micro-surfacing roads and gave information from Griggs County and also from Wold Engineering.

The last item for Mr. Monson was in regards to the safety concerns on the Pasta Plant roads, both the gravel and paved roads. Mr. Monson stated that more and more semis/trucks are parking on the roads overnight and into the day causing a safety concern for other motorists. Mr. Monson suggested having a meeting with the Sheriff's Department, Carrington Police Department, Public Works, Foster County Commissioners, Foster County Road Department, and Pasta Plant officials to come up with some type of plan. Chairman Straley suggested Mr. Monson organize and schedule the meeting.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor explained to the Board that the Game and Fish fund has not been tracked in the past and it has caused a major problem. Ms. Risovi stated in February a payment was made to Game and Fish which put that fund in the red in the amount of \$2,573.14; however, since there is no way to track the money and what has been billed for the year 2013, the account will actually now be in the red the amount of \$5,744. Ms. Risovi stated that Game and Fish did come out and attempted to help her office track the money and licenses; however no one was able to locate or track what happened. Ms. Risovi asked the Board if she can turn the information over to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations. Chairman Straley stated that if the money cannot be located then it needs to be investigated and to give the information to BCI.

Ms. Risovi presented a raffle permit for the Carrington High School Close-Up. Permit number 111. Motion to approve the permit by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with a letter from Sanford Health AirMed. They have an annual membership available and the cost is \$17,670. The Board requested more information and asked Ms. Risovi to contact them and see if they will come to the next meeting to explain more about the membership.

Ms. Risovi stated the next Six County Meeting will be on September 9, 2014 in Fessenden.

Ms. Risovi handed the reimbursement from ND Fire and Tornado showing the reimbursement for the lightning strike on the elevator in the amount of \$3,703.04 (minus the \$500 deductible).

Ms. Risovi and Chairman Straley were provided sealed letters from CHI Carrington Health from Dr. Michael Page. The letter discusses Lisa Solwey, RN's current role with her payroll. The Health Board believes this is beyond the scope of Ms. Solwey's responsibilities. Ms. Risovi handed the Board a stack of emails that she had received and explained to the Board that she sent an email to all auditors in ND and provided some of the responses. None of the Auditors that replied are doing this function for Public Health. Ms. Risovi explained that her belief is that this is a department head function because what Ms. Solwey is requesting is that the Auditor's office do her paperwork that is necessary to receive grant reimbursement. Other department heads have grants and they do their own paperwork, it is not a payroll function. Chairman Straley asked if this is something that could be done by Ms. Bonnie Mullenberg which Ms. Risovi explained absolutely. Chairman Straley asked that Deputy Auditor, Heather Martin go over and help Ms. Mullenberg get set up so she can do the reporting.

Ms. Risovi explained that the Carrington Fire Department will be helping expend some of the additional funds that are in the EMPG 2013. Ms. Risovi stated the Fire Department is in need of extension cords, batteries, and some hand reels. Ms. Risovi stated the Fire Department has been informed that it is a 50/50 match grant and they will be responsible for their 50% portion.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board with an estimate of repair from Jamestown Communications showing the damage that was done to the repeater. Ms. Risovi stated that she was originally told it was from a lightning strike; however it is unclear if it was solely lightning or wind or age of the repeater but that it needs to be fixed because the Carrington Fire Department lost all radio communication during a call in the past week. Chairman Straley stated that although it is unclear if it is something the insurance will cover to still report it to ND Fire and Tornado.

Dana Scherr, Tax Equalization Director presented the Board with an abatement for Ms. Caroline Anderson and Marjorie Rosenquist-Moya lots 1-2-3-4-5-6 blk 2 original to the City of McHenry. The City of McHenry has denied the request and Ms. Scherr explained her recommendation is to follow the City of McHenry and deny the request for abatement. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to agree with the City of McHenry and deny the application for abatement, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Scherr presented the Board with a google map with hand drawings from the partial lots in Melville. Ms. Scherr stated that she appraises the total slices of partials lots at \$230. After a long discussion with the Board, Mr. Jerry Biel, and Ms. Scherr; the Board decided to table the discussion until SA Paul Murphy joins the meeting.

Aaron Abaurrea with Assessment Solutions joined the meeting as the Board was reviewing the two bids for a county-wide assessment. One bid was from Vangaurd appraisals in the amount of \$94,567.50 and the other bid was from Assessment Solutions in the amount of \$62,840. Mr. Abaurrea asked the Board if he could speak about the assessment and the process. Mr. Abaurrea stated that he previously stated at a City Council meeting that the ND State had mandated the process and stated he was wrong; the State can direct the County to do an assessment. Mr. Abaurrea handed the Board numerous copies from both the NDCC as well as paperwork from the Taxation Committee talking about true and full values of properties and the importance of equalizing the property values. After a long discussion, Ms. Scherr asked the Board if the Board should advertise for the assessment bids and allow those who bid to come and provide a presentation. Mr. Abaurrea stated that it is important to assess the entire county and not portions of the county. Vice Chairman Greger stated that the issue now is that everyone knows what Mr. Abaurrea and what Vangaurd's bids are.

Mr. John Murphy spoke to the Board and stated that Bordulac Township is just fine and they have their own Assessor and do not want Mr. Abaurrea coming into their homes. Mr. Murphy stated that there are some single, widowed, or people living on Social Security in Bordulac Township and it is not fair to raise their taxes. Mr. Murphy stated on behalf of Bordulac Township that they will protest any type of county wide assessment.

Mr. Doug Zink joined the meeting and provided the Board with an email from Ms. Linda Leadbetter from the ND Tax Department. Mr. Zink stated he did not believe Foster County was in need of a county wide assessment. Mr. Zink gave examples from in Griggs County. Chairman Straley stated that the Board is just looking at this and no decisions have been made.

Mr. Aaron Abaurrea stated the county wide assessment is about equalization to make everything fair.

Mr. John Murphy stated that Foster County has the full authority and duty to take care of this assessment themselves and that Ms. Scherr should do it since it is her job.

Paul Murphy, SA joined the meeting. Chairman Straley asked about the partial lots in Melville. Chairman Straley asked if there is a problem in selling the partial lots to Mr. and Mrs. Biel. Mr. Murphy stated yes, the problem is in public perception and maybe someone else is interested in the partial lots. Not putting it up for bids is a bad idea, stated Mr. Murphy. Mr. Murphy stated it is bad business doing an inside deal because Mrs. Biel is the Auditor's campaign manager. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy if the partial lots can be sold legally, which Mr. Murphy replied, "Yes, but it is a bad idea." Mr. Murphy then questioned whether or the appraisal is even accurate that Ms. Scherr provided. After a long discussion, a motion by Commissioner Carr to advertise for bids on the partial lots with a one-time bid with no option to raise the bid, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Vice Chairman Greger stated that he thinks it is important to follow the States Attorney's recommendation. Motion carried.

Commissioner Carr spoke to SA, Paul Murphy and stated that he was made aware that there were problems with people obtaining the bids yesterday. Mr. Murphy stated that it is county money and it is public record. Mr. Murphy stated as a general rule, any and all public record documents need to be accessible. Chairman Straley stated that the bids were mailed out to the Commissioners to allow them time to review them; however until the Board meets and discusses the bids they should not be provided to the general public because then anyone could come in with a lower bid and

present it to the Board. After discussing the bidding procedure, Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy if he made a good decision for the county by saying these individuals should have been allowed copies of the bids before the Board reviewed them.

Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy about Teresa Risovi’s bankruptcy. Commissioner Carr stated that it is County business and he asked Mr. Murphy his legal opinion. Mr. Murphy stated that it could be made a campaign issue but it is water under the bridge now. Mr. Murphy stated it should have been looked at prior to being hired but now it is a campaigning issue. Chairman Straley stated that it is not County business and campaigning will not be allowed at Commissioner meetings. Mr. Murphy stated that he is being asked to give advice on something that isn’t a County issue.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

17562	AFLAC	\$ 2,162.76
17563	ALCO STORES, INC.	\$ 45.96
17564	ALICE SCHOEFIELD	\$ 285.00
17565	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$ 1,340.23
17566	BRIAN PEPPE	\$ 46.00
17567	BROWN & SAENGER	\$ 214.84
17568	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$ 530.35
17569	CAROLINE GOLZ	\$ 285.00
17570	CENTURYLINK	\$ 191.88
17571	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$ 107.74
17572	CONTROL SOLUTIONS, INC.	\$ 221.00
17573	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	\$ 875.00
17574	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,713.67
17575	DANA D SCHERR	\$ 260.40
17576	DR. JAY BAUER	\$ 45.00
17577	DR. MICHAEL PAGE	\$ 80.00
17578	EIDE BAILLY, LLP	\$ 234.00
17579	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	\$ 15.75
17580	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$ 808.64
17581	GLEASON TRUCKING	\$ 10,313.32
17582	GRAND FORKS COUNTY	\$ 125.00
17583	HALLWACHS SERVICE	\$ 180.00
17584	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	\$ 145.00
17585	HENRY HEAD	\$ 370.00
17586	HOLLY N. ZIEMAN	\$ 45.00
17587	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$ 691.05
17588	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC.	\$ 3,305.45
17589	JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA	\$ 165.08
17590	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$ 186.57
17591	KYLE SMITH	\$ 45.00
17592	LISA D SOLWEY	\$ 50.40
17593	MARCO, INC.	\$ 87.54
17594	MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	\$ 631.73
17595	ND GAME AND FISH DEPT.	\$ 8,291.00
17596	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$ 1,002.50
17597	NTCA GROUP HEALTH PROGRAM	\$ 40.75
17598	OFFICE DEPOT	\$ 690.57
17599	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$ 909.11
18034	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$ 7,930.00
18035	POSTMASTER	\$ 84.00
18036	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY INC.	\$ 25.00
18037	RHODES & ASSOCIATES, P.C.	\$ 5,445.00
18038	RUBBER STAMPS UNLIMITED	\$ 25.20
18039	SANOFI PASTEUR INC	\$ 567.04
18040	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	\$ 1,500.00
18041	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR	\$ 171.00
18042	UPPER MISSOURI DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT	\$ 2,309.00

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on September 2, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 2, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the August 19, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr stated the paragraph were Ms. Risovi spoke of the missing Game and Fish money needs to be removed because Commissioner Carr stated it is because of Ms. Risovi's bad bookkeeping. Commissioner Carr made a motion to remove the paragraph from the minutes, the motion died for a lack of second. Commissioner Carr stated that many people are upset and many people believe it is because of Ms. Risovi that the money cannot be found. With no further discussion, motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, was unable to attend the meeting and provided a report. Mr. Monson stated in the report that they have started mowing the ditches on the County Highways.

Mr. Monson ordered the pickup from Bessette's the price came to \$29,064 which was \$150 less than the original quote.

The final item on Mr. Monson's report was in reference to the Pasta Plant roads and the trucks parking and creating a hazard. Mr. Monson stated that a letter was sent to the Pasta Plant but there has been no response. Ms. Teresa Risovi stated she did receive a response and will report on that a later.

Mr. Monson also provided the blade hours from September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2014.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor stated she received a call from Jason Jarett with Dakota Growers. He stated that they are trying to line everyone up on their end to schedule a meeting and will be in contact with the Auditor's office as soon as they can get something scheduled.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with a letter from NDIRF in regards to the wind damage on the radio tower. NDIRF will cover some of the damage but not all of it. The quote from Jamestown Communications was in the amount of \$1,493, less the \$1,000 deductible, therefore, NDIRF will cover \$493.

Ms. Risovi provided NDIRF a claim for a broken back window out of a vehicle from Lake Juanita from mowing. Ms. Risovi stated that NDIRF will cover the \$240 to Mr. Myron Luttschwager.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board a packet from ND Department of Health a copy of the approval to operate for Mr. & Mrs. Van Bedaf for their proposed number increase. The letter states for the Auditor to post the information until September 29, 2014.

Ms. Risovi received a building permit from Mr. Dustin Hinrichs; however, Ms. Risovi stated Planning and Zoning has not been contacted yet for approval so this is just informational at this point and Ms. Risovi will re-present it at the next meeting.

Katie Kressin and Tim Meyer with Sanford AirMed attended the meeting. Mr. Meyer explained that the annual contract that was proposed to Foster County is for the helicopter use in Foster County. The price quoted was \$17,670 which is approximately \$19/household. The proposal is for a one year contract. Mr. Meyer stated usually an individual's personal insurance will cover 80% and then the individual is responsible for the additional 20% out of pocket plus the deductible. If the County purchases the membership the individual would only be responsible for the deductible. If the individual does not have insurance there would be no cost to them if the County signs the contract. Chairman Straley stated that he wants to discuss this further at the six-county meeting.

Mr. Melvin Schramm attended the meeting to ask the Board to expedite the request to put the land on the West Main St/66th Ave up for advertisement. Mr. Schramm stated that in order to get going to build next year action needs to be taken this year. Chairman Straley stated that the Board will discuss the matter with SA, Paul Murphy.

Paul Murphy, SA attended the meeting for any legal questions. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy about the land at the West Main Street as well as the Melville land. Mr. Murphy stated that the Melville land can be sold privately as well as the West Main Street land. Mr. Murphy stated the Board could advertise them and sell them at the same time. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy to draft a legal notice for the paper. Commissioner Carr stated he believed the land needs to be surveyed. Mr. Murphy stated his recommendation would be do a Quick Claim Deed. After a long discussion, a motion by Commissioner Carr to have Foster County pay to survey the Melville and West Main Street/66th Ave land. Seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Further discussion by the Board ensued. The Board agreed that flags need to be placed on the land. With no further discussion a roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, yes; Vice Chairman Greger, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Ryan Ehli with Vanguard presented to the Board for a County-wide assessment. Mr. Ehli stated the work would start in 2016 and would be completed by 2017. Mr. Ehli stated a team would come to Foster County and would go to each and every residence in Foster County. Mr. Ehli stated that residents do not have to allow the workers into their home but it is important to know that they then estimate what the inside of the home looks like and the condition of the inside of the home. Mr. Ehli stated that the workers do not take photos or measurements inside the home. Vanguard's appraisal for Foster County \$94,567.50 with the software. Chairman Straley stated that the County would be advertising to accept bids.

Social Services bills approved 8/31/14 \$ \$13,834.67
Board on motion approved the following bills:

18050	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$140.00
18051	BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA HOTEL	\$169.40
18052	BORDER STATES PAVING INC.	\$516.00
18053	CDW GOVERNMENT	\$100.96
18054	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$131.45
18055	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	\$4,785.25
18056	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	\$13.50
18057	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$289.98
18058	COLLEEN SWEET	\$45.00
18059	COMFORT INN	\$296.00
18060	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$23.78
18061	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$42.00
18062	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	\$315.00
18063	HEATHER R MARTIN	\$37.50
18064	HENRY HEAD	\$220.00
18065	HIWAY TESORO	\$435.35
18066	JESSICA EARLE	\$74.70
18067	JOEL LEMER	\$186.34
18068	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$19,916.91
18069	KLOCKE WOODWORKS	\$9,750.00
18070	LINDSAY J DREHER	\$10.00
18071	LISA D SOLWEY	\$50.40
18072	LISA M. WENINGER	\$25.00
18073	M&C PLUMBING AND HEATING	\$149.85
18074	MARCO, INC.	\$215.48
18075	MARK T BLUMER LAW OFFICE	\$584.52
18076	MDU COMPANY	\$19.43
18077	MLGC	\$269.91
18078	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$48.75
18079	NDPHA	\$95.00
18080	NOREEN A BARTON	\$140.00
18081	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP.	\$40.09
18082	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	\$785.00
18083	OFFICE DEPOT	\$68.51
18084	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$235.11
18085	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$3,770.00
18086	PAUL C MURPHY	\$83.51
18087	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	\$32.08
18088	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	\$429.00
18089	SAFETY SERVICES COMPANY	\$574.98
18090	SANDNESS LAW OFFICE	\$108.00
18091	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	\$16.62
18092	SEABOARD ASPHALT PRODUCTS COMPANY	\$1,275.71
18093	TERESA RISOVI	\$8.62
18094	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	\$62,981.00
18095	US POSTAL SERVICE	\$305.00
18096	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$137.10
18097	WHOLESALE AG PRODUCTS	\$107.50
18098	XEROX CORPORATION	\$70.46

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on September 16, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 16, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the September 2, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman, was unable to attend the meeting and provided a report. Mr. Monson stated in the report that they have started on the Kensal Road project. Mayo is doing the dirt work instead of Hoyt Construction. All the highways except on the west side have been mowed.

Chairman Straley updated the Board on the meeting that was held with Dakota Growers and the safety issues with the semis parking on the road. Chairman Straley stated that no parking signs are going up for no parking from 10 PM – 7 AM.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley to purchase the extended warranty on the 2009 772G, serial # DW772GX627611 for \$7,000 for two years. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor informed the Board that NDIRF sent out an insurance adjuster for the hail damage claim and she is waiting to hear back. Ms. Risovi presented the Board with the reimbursement from NDIRF from the lightning strike claim.

Ms. Risovi presented the board with two building permits. The first permit presented was Mr. Dustin Hinrichs. Ms. Risovi stated that John Holth informed her that no action is required by Planning and Zoning. After a short discussion, Chairman Straley stated that no action is needed by the Foster County Board of Commissioners.

The second permit presented was from Allied Agronomy. Ms. Risovi stated that John Holth informed her that no action is required by Planning and Zoning. After a short discussion, the Board stated that no action is needed by the Board of Commissioners. Allied Agronomy also provided a property tax incentive, which was tabled until the Township makes a formal recommendation.

Chairman Straley informed the Board that a letter was sent from Mr. Roger Schlotman is requesting back vacation and sick leave. Chairman Straley explained that the letter was also sent to the Department of Labor and it is being handled through them.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor, gave the Board an update on the Melville land. Ms. Risovi explained to the Board by providing a map of the lots of Melville that the portion of a lot that was in question was part of the Highway Right of Way and therefore cannot be sold per Ms. Phyllis Sutherland.

Ms. Risovi informed the Board that the outdoor weather siren grant which she applied for almost a year ago was finally approved. There will be one new outdoor warning siren going up in the City of Carrington.

Ms. Risovi provided the board with a utility permit from the City of Carrington. Ms. Risovi provided the board with a map to show that the City will be digging a water line in and they are asking for approval since it is in the right of way. Motion to approve the permit by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi and Deputy Auditor Heather Martin addressed the Board about the Game and Fish fund. Ms. Risovi handed a spreadsheet to the Board showing the starting and ending balances of the fund from January, 2014 to current. Ms. Martin explained to the Board that she would like more time to continue to look into the matter.

Ms. Hope Carr presented to the Board about Game and Fish. Ms. Carr read a letter to the Board in regards to her investigative work that she had done with the missing money in Game and Fish. Ms. Carr presented the Board with handouts to include questionnaires from two vendors, a photo copy of an expired license, a photo copy of a letter from Game and Fish, and a copy of the Commissioner meeting minutes from August 19, 2014. After a long presentation, Ms. Carr was asked by Chairman Straley to stay on track. Ms. Carr continued in her presentation. Ms. Carr asked the Board to terminate Ms. Risovi as the Auditor. Chairman Straley informed Ms. Carr to check into the proper steps to remove an Auditor. Chairman Straley informed Ms. Carr that BCI is investigating and that the Board will allow them to do their investigation. An outburst ensued from several concerned citizens. Deputy Danielle Roseware escorted Ms. Carr from the meeting.

Mariaan Doeling and Gavin Pollert from Carrington Health Center were on the agenda to discuss the Sandford Air-Med proposal. Ms. Doeling stated she has concerns about the County spending \$17,000 on a service that is already being used in Foster County. After a long discussion, Chairman Straley stated that the Board would have the States Attorney check into the matter to see if it is even legal because at the Six-County meeting the Attorney for the Association of Counties wasn't

sure if a County could even enter into such a membership/agreement. The Board stated the issue will be tabled until they can receive additional information from Mr. Paul Murphy, SA.

Paul Murphy, SA attended the meeting to answer any legal questions. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Murphy if he has gotten the advertisement for the County-wide assessment done so it can be submitted to the paper. Mr. Murphy stated no, however, it should be done in the next day or two.

Mr. Murphy stated he hadn't heard back from Ms. Sutherland in regards to having the land appraised. Chairman Straley asked for clarification on which land, Mr. Murphy stated Melville and West Main. Chairman Straley stated that the Melville land could not be sold because it is in the Highway Right of Way.

Chairman Straley provided Mr. Murphy with a copy of the proposal letter for the membership for Sandford Air-Med and asked Mr. Murphy to check into it and to advise the Board at the next meeting.

The preliminary review of the 2015 Budgets was presented to the Board from Ms. Risovi. Ms. Risovi handed out binders to each member of the Board and explained the information that was provided to them. Ms. Risovi explained to the Board how to figure out the value of Mill stated the value of Mill for 2015 is \$20,842.21. Ms. Risovi explained that Health Insurance is going up 15% this coming year.

After a brief discussion about Health Insurance going up and how much to give for raises to employees and determining that a 5.5% raise would be needed for employees to break even and not go backwards in pay to cover the increase. A motion by Vice Chairman Greger to figure in a 5.5% raise for budget purposes to cover the Health Insurance increase, seconded by Chairman Straley. Commissioner Carr stated he wanted more time to think about it. Ms. Risovi asked the Board to consider making a decision so she can get the budgets prepared for the Public Hearing. Roll Call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried.

A date for the Public Hearing for the 2015 Budgets was set for September 25, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Community Room.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

18144	AFLAC	\$2,135.20
18145	ALCO STORES, INC.	\$52.63
18146	ALEX SCHROEDER	\$194.76
18147	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$1,210.30
18148	AUTOLIV	\$3,920.00
18149	BREMER BANK, N.A.	\$40.00
18150	BRISS OIL COMPANY	\$17.00
18151	BRENDA HOECKLE	\$215.60
18152	BROOKE TOPP	\$61.62
18153	C & J OIL COMPANY	\$11,672.45
18154	CARISSA BOSCH COWLEY	\$209.04
18155	CARRINGTON DRUG INC.	\$36.97
18156	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$230.18
18157	CENTURYLINK	\$191.88
18158	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$62.75
18159	COLLEEN SWEET	\$67.75
18160	COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION	\$63.00
18161	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	\$356.51
18162	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	\$875.00
18163	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$1,607.73
18164	DAKOTA FENCE	\$7,035.00
18165	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	\$590.75
18166	DARREN CARTER	\$25.00
18167	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	\$515.34
18168	EASTMAN TOWNSHIP	\$12,821.50
18169	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$338.88
18170	GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	\$366.30
18171	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	\$1,279.50
18172	HENRY SCHEIN	\$113.63
18173	HOLLY UTKE	\$61.62
18174	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$690.65
18175	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	\$6,960.00
18176	LINDSAY J DREHER	\$10.00

18177	LISA D SOLWEY	\$194.18
18178	M&C PLUMBING AND HEATING	\$210.39
18179	MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC.	\$64.43
18180	MCKINNON TOWNSHIP	\$19,477.84
18181	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$180.14
18182	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$60.00
18183	NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE.	\$18,897.50
18184	NORTHERN TOOL EQUIPMENT	\$821.28
18185	OFFICE DEPOT	\$939.40
18186	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$18,603.45
18187	PAUL C MURPHY	\$413.98
18188	PHARMCHEM INC	\$84.00
18189	POSITIVE CONCEPTS/ATPI	\$149.95
18190	RANDI BOETTCHER	\$218.15
18191	RANDY'S ELECTRIC	\$1,296.57
18192	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	\$4,680.00
18193	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY INC.	\$25.00
18194	RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$274.47
18195	SHAWN MARCOTTE	\$50.00
18196	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	\$1,080.00
18197	SUPER VALU FOODS	\$53.66
18198	THE BAKERY BOX	\$76.00
18199	TRI-R PUMPKINS	\$46.00
18200	US POSTAL SERVICE	\$302.65

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, RecorderAugust Revenue\$3,007.00

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on October 7, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PRELIMINARY BUDGET HEARING
October 1, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, and approximately twenty others were all present at some point during the meeting.

Chairman Straley informed those in attendance that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Foster County Budget. Chairman Straley stated that everyone would be allowed to give their testimony and to please announce their name when speaking for the record.

Chairman Straley turned the meeting over to Auditor Teresa Risovi to explain what the value of a Mill is, read and explain the letter from the Office of State Tax Commissioner, the 2015 budget and 2014 tax levy requests that were submitted to the Foster County Independent.

Ms. Risovi addressed the Board by explaining the steps that were taken to come to the value of a Mill. Ms. Risovi stated that the figures had to be re-worked since the previous Commissioner meeting because the State did not approve the valuations. After figuring what the State certified, the value of a Mill is \$21,612.16.

Ms. Risovi read the letter from the Office of State Tax Commissioner aloud and indicated the changes which were; Agriculture to increase 2%, Commercial property to decrease 2%, and Residential to increase 10%. Additionally, Ms. Risovi read that the State is directing Foster County assessment officials to reappraise and equalize residential property for 2015.

Handouts were provided to the residents in attendance so they could follow along.

Ms. Risovi explained the spreadsheet that was in the newspaper stating that since the value of a Mill has increased, there were to funds that changed. The General Fund was originally figured at needing 27 Mills and now Ms. Risovi is recommending 25.78 Mills and Veterans Service was originally needing 0.66 Mills and Ms. Risovi is now recommending 0.63 Mills.

Mr. Gene Doeling asked for further clarification on the 9% Property Tax levy increase. Ms. Risovi stated that since the State certified the values now, the percentage will also change. Ms. Risovi stated to figure out the correct percentage she looked at the 2013 taxable value and divided it by the 2014 taxable value and took that percentage and subtracted it from 100%, which was 12% without utilities. Ms. Risovi stated that after figuring the increase of the utilities that she is recommending an additional 1% to cover the increase; therefore, Ms. Risovi stated she is recommending a 13% increase for the property tax levy.

Mr. Russ Heidt asked about the Road and Bridge fund and why the budget was dropped so much from the previous year. Mr. Heidt also asked about County Health's budget and asked who did the budget and why did it go up so much from the previous year. Chairman Straley explained that all department heads do their budget. Ms. Risovi explained that County Health works on mostly grants therefore a lot of the money will come back.

Mr. Ted Keller asked about County Health and questioned why budget for a dollar amount if that isn't the dollar amount that is needed. Mr. Keller asked what is OASIS and what it is used for. Ms. Risovi explained the OASIS fund.

Mr. Doug Zink questioned the Tax Equalization Director's budget and he wanted to know why the increase was so high. Chairman Straley explained the Director budgeted for the County Assessment. Mr. Zink asked if Foster County is going to tax the people and keep the money does that mean that the County will be doing the Assessment? Chairman Straley stated, no. Mr. Zink asked what happens to the money that was budgeted for the assessment? Mr. Zink asked if the tax payers are reimbursed? Chairman Straley stated no, the money stays in the fund. Mr. Zink stated that he wants everyone to know that if you refuse to allow the assessor into your home and you file for an abatement, you will be signing a piece of paper that states that you will allow someone to still come into your home.

Mr. Zink stated that he also had a question about the Superintendent of Schools. He asked who is doing that position? Chairman Straley stated that Noreen Barton is doing the Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Zink stated that Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe said she would do it and she wouldn't ask for any additional pay.

Mr. Zink asked about the custodian budget and asked why there is an increase. Chairman Straley read what the department head put on her budget for the reason for increase.

Mr. John Murphy stated that what was published in the paper for the budget is a mess. Mr. Murphy stated there was no mention of the employee raises and the valuation wasn't in the paper either. Mr. Murphy stated that Foster should be comparing their budget to Eddy and Griggs County. Eddy County runs one million dollars less than Foster County and Griggs runs considerably lower than Foster County and they are still working on reducing their budget, per Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Murphy commented that the Commissioners dropped the Farm to Market Mill Levy. Mr. Murphy stated the voters voted it in and you took it away and you didn't complete the Kensal Road.

Mr. Doug Zink stated that Foster County is overspending. Chairman Straley asked Mr. Zink where should the budget be cut? Mr. Zink stated to look at cutting assistants. Mr. Zink stated the Treasurer's office has an assistant that may be able to be cut.

Mr. Leo Straley asked Chairman Straley why he looks so shocked when going through the budgets? Mr. Straley asked if she gets extra money to mow the lot next door. Chairman Straley clarified that Mr. Leo Straley was talking about the janitor and stated that she does not get paid extra to mow the lot next to the courthouse that she mows it while on duty.

Mr. Ted Keller asked who is Human Services? Chairman Straley stated Social Services. Mr. Keller asked who is the Department Head who did the budget? Chairman Straley stated it was the Director, Carrie.

Mr. Roger Gussiaas stated it would be helpful to have the percentage that is expended for each budget year-to-date to look at so everyone would know where the individual departments are at. Chairman Straley stated that the Commissioners do have that information and he stated that the majority of the departments are where they should be.

Mr. Ted Keller asked when the Commissioners will be finalizing the budget. Chairman Straley stated the first Commissioner meeting in October. Mr. Keller asked if all the department heads will be there? Chairman Straley stated no, and further stated that each Commissioner can meet with all the department heads to clarify and ask any questions prior to the Board meeting.

Mr. Doug Zink made the recommendation to take Mr. Monson's budget double what he expended. Mr. Zink stated that would save the County approximately 2 Mills.

Mr. Russ Heidt asked the Board, why they are letting the individual departments budgets go up?

Commissioner Carr stated that he didn't understand the 5.5% raise that was projected by the Board. Mr. Carr stated that singles with the health plan already get their insurance for free. Chairman Straley stated that was just a figure that the Commission was looking at and that the 5.5% can be changed. Mr. Russ Heidt stated that he believes the County employees do need a raise.

Mr. Ted Keller asked the Board if they are going to go line by line with each budget. Chairman Straley stated no, that each Commissioner should go speak to each department if there is any concerns with their budget.

Ms. Judy Keller stated that she wants to speak at the next Commissioner meeting and stated that as concerned citizens, she should be able to speak.

Mr. Leo Straley asked about a letter that was sent from Mr. Paul Murphy to Mr. Paul Straley. Chairman Straley stated that the only discussion would be about the budget. Mr. Leo Straley asked if Mr. Murphy gets paid by the County? Chairman Straley stated, yes. Mr. Leo Straley asked if Mr. Murphy gets paid to give legal advice.

Ms. Judy Keller questioned the Board about Ms. Hope Carr and her presentation on Game and Fish to the Board at the last County Commissioner meeting. Chairman Straley stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget only.

Mr. Roger Gussiaas asked the Board if people will be able to talk at the next County Commissioner meeting about the budget? Mr. Gussiaas stated that it is important the people be able to speak. Chairman Straley stated that he will consult with legal counsel. Mr. Gussiaas stated that taxpayers should have the right to discuss the County's budget.

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 7, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the September 16, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Carr requested a correction about the outburst with Hope Carr. Commissioner Carr stated he wants the part removed that stated, "along with Hope Carr." Vice Chairman Greger agreed.

Chairman Straley requested a correction on the 5.5% raise to remove the word, "give" and replace with: to figure in for budget purposes use a 5.5% raise.

Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman provided the Board with an update on the Kensal Road project. Mr. Monson stated they have finished mowing all highways and double mowed all ditches. It was approximately 360 miles of mowing.

Mr. Monson stated the salt for the roadways will be here on Thursday, they will mix with sand and stockpile it the same day.

Mr. Monson stated he met with Mr. Al Trader and Mr. Michael Myhre from Leading Edge Equipment and they decided on two-6150 John Deere Tractors with loaders for the 2015 season. Mr. Monson further stated that the Road Department will also be able to use a John Deere skidster loader on the same plan this year. Mr. Monson stated that no bidding process was needed since Leading Edge is part of the program from the Association of Counties.

Mr. Monson is requesting the purchase of 10 tires and is getting bids from OK Tire and Rick's wholesale. Mr. Monson will go with lowest bid and will keep the old tires to sell at the auction.

Mr. Monson asked the Board if they had any questions or concerns with his budgets. Vice Chairman Greger recommended to reduce the County Highway by \$200,000. Mr. Monson agreed. After a brief discussion about the Weed Board budget, it was decided to reduce their budget to 3 Mills.

Chairman Straley informed the Board about the water inside the old Sheriff's residence. Chairman Straley stated there was 8" of ground water inside. There was not a water break, it is just because the water table is so high right now per Chairman Straley. Chairman Straley recommended budgeting to remove everything out of the old residence due to it being a health issue with the asbestos inside. Vice Chairman Greger stated the cost is high to move everything. Commissioner Carr also expressed his concerns over the cost stating that everything has been in that building for years so why move it now. Commissioner Carr stated a possible solution would be to continue to use a sump pump to remove the water. After a short discussion about moving the elevator components and electrical out of the old residence, a motion by Vice Chairman Greger to apply for the grant through District Court to obtain financial assistance, seconded by Chairman Straley. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided the Board with the Insurance Adjuster's claim from the summer storm with the large hail. Ms. Risovi stated she will need assistance with figuring out who to contract to do which work since there are so many small jobs listed. Chairman Straley asked Vice Chairman Greger to assist Ms. Risovi.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board the handwritten note from Estabrook Township approving Allied Grain for a tax exemption for 5 years in the following order: 1st year 100%, 2nd year 80%, 3rd year 60%, 4th year 40%, 5th year 20%, and 6th year 0%. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the tax exemption with the terms provided by Estabrook Township, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Lisa Solwey, RN along with Holly Zieman appeared before the Board to go over Public Health's budget. Ms. Solwey explained that the over-all budget increased due to the closeout of many grants. Ms. Solwey and Ms. Zieman stated the Public Health has also increased the amount of County visits.

Chairman Straley announce a short recess to move the Commissioner meeting to District Court to accommodate the number of people in attendance at 9:20 AM.

Chairman Straley called the meeting back to order in District Court at 9:29 AM.

Ms. Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe, Recorder attended the meeting to discuss the Recorder's budget. Ms. Hoppe asked the Board if they have any questions of her, with none being asked the Board thanked Ms. Hoppe for attending.

Chairman Straley addressed the audience by asking them to remain quiet and to discontinue the side conversations.

The Board reviewed the following budgets:

911 budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Auditor's budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Treasurer's budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

State's Attorney budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Herb with Wold Engineering addressed the Board and gave an update on the Kensal Road. Herb stated that the paving was starting today with sub-cuts and the overlay would start tomorrow.

Continuing with department budgets:

Tax Equalization budget. Vice Chairman Greger stated he is questioning the assessment. Vice Chairman Greger believes the Director of Tax Equalization should do a portion of the County on her own. Chairman Straley asked for Ms. Scherr to attend the meeting. Ms. Scherr was unable to attend. Chairman Straley stated the State of ND is directing Foster County to get the assessment done, if Ms. Scherr goes out and does it herself then there will be no one in the office. Chairman Straley further stated it would take Ms. Scherr years to do the County herself. Vice Chairman Greger stated he has an issue with hiring an outsider to do the assessment. After a long discussion, Commissioner Carr stated he believes the County should wait until the State mandates the assessment. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to remove \$55,140 out of Service Contracts and lower it to \$1,400, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Custodian budget. The Board had a short discussion about the increases to the budget. Vice Chairman Greger recommended leaving the budget as presented. Commissioner Carr stated the supplies are too high and recommends taking the \$12,000 that was budgeted down to \$6,000. Vice Chairman Greger recommended lowering the equipment from \$10,000 to \$7,000. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve budget with proposed changes, seconded by Carr. Motion carried.

Emergency Management budget. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

County Agent budget. Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

County Road budget. Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

County Highway budget. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve with changes of lowering the Contractor budget from \$950,000 to \$750,000 as previously discussed, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Specials budget. Ms. Noreen Barton was asked to attend to explain some of the plat locations. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Public Health budget. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Weed Board budget. After a short discussion to lower the proposed 4 Mills to 3 Mills, motion by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Social Services budget. Ms. Carrie Thompson-Widmer, Director attended. Ms. Widmer explained to the Board that Social Services added Continuing Education to their budget. Ms. Widmer also explained that Foster County is still part of the tri-county and will remain at 26%. Ms. Widmer explained that the over-all budget is lower because there was a decrease in some of the salaries due to new employees. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Budgets by fund:

General Fund budget. Ms. Risovi explained that the salaries will change in the General Fund budget to reflect the 3% raise, otherwise what is present is what should be approved on. Ms. Risovi asked about the Commissioner's salaries and if there would be a raise for the Board. Vice Chairman Greger stated he did not feel a raise was needed, Chairman Straley agreed. Motion to approve the General Fund with corrections to reflect a 3% raise by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr.

Health Insurance fund budget. After a short discussion about health insurance going up 15% from last year and if the County will pick up the increase of \$126.29/month per employee on a family plan. The budget would increase an additional \$19,701.24 to cover the increase. Vice Chairman Greger stated he felt it was important for the County to pick up the additional cost to keep the employees. Motion to pay the increased portion of a family plan by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded

by Chairman Straley. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes.

Ambulance fund budget. Ms. Risovi asked the Board about the ambulance split between Carrington and McHenry. Ms. Risovi stated that she found a document from 1995 that stated the split is 80/20; however looking at the last couple years the split was been 75/25. Ms. Risovi stated the fund budget bottom dollar will be correct but until further checking can be done the split percentage is unknown. Chairman Straley asked the Board if they knew what the split should be. Commissioner Carr stated he thought he could do some checking and could report back. Motion to approve 7 Mills for the ambulance fund by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Soil Conservation fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

County Fair fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Historical Society fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, second by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Garrison Diversion fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Zaundra Bina from the Village presented to the Board. Ms. Carrie Widmer, Director of Social Services introduced Ms. Bina stating that it is Social Services wish to have the Village services stating the services are needed and necessary to maintain personnel since Blue Cross Blue Shield has dropped these type of services.

Ms. Bina went over all the different types of services the Village has to the Board which included counseling, formal referrals, stress management, training, compassion training, and crisis intervention. The cost associated for the Village would be \$900/year for 30 FTE or \$1,200/year for all of the Foster County Employees as a group.

Ms. Widmer explained that the Social Service Board is in support of contracting with the Village; however, the Board is encouraging all of the Foster County Employees to be included to be more cost effective.

Chairman Straley asked to give the Commissioners time to think about the services and review the packets that were provided, and to put the topic back on the agenda to make a decision at the next Commissioner meeting.

Continuing with the Fund budgets:

State Medical fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Correctional Center fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

County Park fund budget. After a short discussion about the money that was budgeted and if the Janitor is paid out of the fund for mowing the park, a motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Senior Citizens fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Cemetery fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Water Board fund budget. Motion to approve as presented by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Department budget was addressed. The Board asked for Sheriff Mike Tufte to attend; however, due to job duties Sheriff Tufte was unable to attend the meeting, but stated he was okay with the wage increases lowered to 3% from his suggested 8.5%. After a short discussion about the Sheriff's Department wages, the Board approved a 3% increase in wages. The Board also discussed the vehicle budget of \$36,000 for a new vehicle. Vice Chairman Greger stated he believed the department needed another new vehicle because they put a lot of miles on their vehicles. After another brief discussion, motion to accept budget with corrections showing a 3% raise per employee, seconded by Chairman Straley. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes.

Paul Murphy, SA addressed the Board about the advertisement for the County-wide assessment. Mr. Murphy handed the Board a form to fill out to use to advertise. Chairman Straley stated that it will be given to the Tax Equalization Director to save.

Mr. Murphy discussed the Sanford Air Med services and asked the Board what they wanted to do? Mr. Murphy explained that if the Board wanted to utilize the services there are ways to fund things such as this. After a short discussion, Chairman Straley stated he didn't believe the Board members were in favor of having such services, however, they just wanted to know if it was even possible.

Mr. Murphy informed the Board that he wrote a letter that was published in the paper. Mr. Murphy asked what the criteria is to get on the agenda. Mr. Murphy states that the Board currently doesn't have a public forum. Chairman Straley stated with all the investigations that are going on, he has been advised to only allow County Business.

Mr. Ted Keller, interrupted by stating, everything is County Business and the public should have input.
Mr. Leo Straley, interrupted by stating, that since there are investigations only Paul Straley can decide?

Mr. Murphy went on to state that some things have been "claimed" to have been turned over to be investigated that may not have. Mr. Murphy stated that we had someone figure out the gap with Game and Fish and the Game and Fish is County Business, so if we have someone figure it out without using BCI then why not. Having BCI investigate a few missing dollars may not be the best resource of BCI, stated Mr. Murphy. Mr. Murphy stated removing someone who is not disorderly and threatening to have them arrested is not something his office will support. Mr. Murphy stated it is everyone's ND Constitutional right to address the board and to be allowed to speak at public meetings without being threatened to be arrested. Mr. Murphy went on to discuss an Attorney General's opinion by stating the AGs opinion carries some weight; however, the ND Constitution states you have a right to speak. You cannot deny them the right to speak, stated Mr. Murphy.

Vice Chairman Greger stated, but in an orderly fashion. Mr. Murphy stated that Ms. Hope Carr was orderly. Chairman Straley stated that Ms. Carr was done and he instructed her to turn anything she had over to the Sheriff.

After Mr. Murphy's comments with Robert's Rules of Order and Constitutional Rights, several members of the community wanted to speak; however, they were declined.

Motion by Commissioner Carr to allow Ms. Hope Carr to speak, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Vice Chairman Greger stated that he seconded the motion but to make note that the Chairman sets the agenda. Chairman Straley denied Ms. Carr to speak to the Board.

Mr. Murphy stated that there was a motion and a second to allow Ms. Hope Carr to speak. Chairman Straley stated, as the chairman I have the right to refuse someone to address the Board and I am exercising this right.

Mr. Murphy stated, is the meeting adjourned then? Vice Chairman Greger stated no, the Board was still signing bills.

Commissioner Carr stated that he was excusing himself and asked Teresa Risovi to be sure to put in the minutes that he was leaving. Commissioner Carr left at 11:43 AM.

Social Services bills approved 9/30/14 \$ 12,920.56

Board on motion approved the following bills:

18220	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$ 1,525.88
18221	ACCESS PRINTING SOLUTIONS, LLC	\$ 123.49
18222	ALCO STORES, INC.	\$ 8.94
18223	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$ 71.00
18224	BONNIE MULLENBERG	\$ 65.10
18225	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$ 215.00
18226	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$ 78.40
18227	C & J OIL COMPANY	\$ 10,504.20
18228	CAROLINE GOLZ	\$ 262.50
18229	CARRINGTON COMPUTER	\$ 111.98
18230	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$ 169.48
18231	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$ 664.10
18232	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	\$ 4,438.42
18233	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	\$ 51.00
18234	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$ 286.22
18235	COLLEEN SWEET	\$ 67.76
18236	COMFORT INN	\$ 222.00
18237	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	\$ 24.91
18238	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	\$ 875.00
18239	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 52.39
18240	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	\$ 243.80
18241	DANA D SCHERR	\$ 93.55
18242	DS SOLUTIONS	\$ 150.00

18243	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	\$ 769.48
18244	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$ 1,443.18
18245	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 188.80
18246	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$ 42.00
18247	HENRY HEAD	\$ 180.00
18248	HENRY SCHEIN	\$ 174.43
18249	HIWAY TESORO	\$ 466.71
18250	J.O.B. WELDING & REPAIR	\$ 707.00
18251	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC.	\$ 20,520.55
18252	JEFF GOLZ	\$ 1,000.00
18253	JOEL GUSSIAAS	\$ 658.91
18254	JOEL LEMER	\$ 95.20
18255	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$ 19,608.71
18256	JORDAN T. MOE	\$ 45.00
18257	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	\$ 2,719.40
18258	LISA D SOLWEY	\$ 50.40
18259	LISA M. WENINGER	\$ 25.00
18260	LYNELLE R LYMAN HOPPE	\$ 273.22
18261	MARCO	\$ 241.96
18262	MARCO, INC.	\$ 215.48
18263	MAYO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC	\$ 353,302.54
18264	MDU COMPANY	\$ 52.49
18265	MLGC	\$ 269.91
18266	MONARCH HANDYMAN SERVICE	\$ 9,750.00
18267	MOORE MEDICAL LLC	\$ 2,278.54
18268	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$ 96.05
18269	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$ 450.00
18270	ND DEPT. OF EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$ 4,334.04
18271	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 4,710.18
18272	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$ 116.36
18273	NOREEN A BARTON	\$ 145.60
18274	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP.	\$ 209.40
18275	OFFICE DEPOT	\$ 470.61
18276	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	\$ 570.00
18277	OK TIRE STORE	\$ 2,819.98
18278	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$ 1,047.53
18279	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$ 5,835.00
18280	QUILL CORPORATION	\$ 101.59
18281	RADISSON HOTEL BISMARCK	\$ 298.80
18282	RANDY'S ELECTRIC	\$ 338.27
18283	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	\$ 125.33
18284	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	\$ 65.72
18285	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	\$ 223.55
18286	SANDNESS LAW OFFICE	\$ 99.00
18287	SANOFI PASTEUR INC	\$ 1,872.43
18288	SEABURG'S INC	\$ 203.65
18289	SIDWELL COMPANY	\$ 3,728.50
18290	SOFTWARE INNOVATIONS	\$ 2,192.00
18291	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	\$ 1,020.00
18292	TAMARA BECKER	\$ 434.07
18293	TITAN MACHINERY	\$ 553.70
18294	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	\$ 3,200.00
18295	US POSTAL SERVICE	\$ 302.65
18296	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 400.38
18297	XEROX CORPORATION	\$ 79.70

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Straley. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on October 21, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 21, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting. Vice Chairman Les Greger was not in attendance.

The minutes from the October 1, 2014 special meeting from the budget hearing were reviewed. Commissioner Carr stated that he would like to discuss the Superintendent of Schools and amend the budget to reflect Lynelle Lyman-Hoppe to take the position without compensation. Chairman Straley stated that should be brought up at the next meeting when Vice Chairman Greger will be in attendance. Motion by Commissioner Carr to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

The minutes from the October 7, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Chairman Straley. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman informed the Board the Kensal Road project is finished.

Mr. Monson stated the No Parking signs have placed on the Pasta Plant Road.

Mr. Monson stated the salt for the roadways is mixed and ready to be used.

Mr. Monson informed the Board that the Road Department will be switching to 5-day work weeks on either November 3rd or 17th, 2014.

Mr. Monson asked the Board if he could purchase a sign for the burial grounds located in Bordulac Township. The sign costs \$26. Chairman Straley stated yes and to take the funds out of the cemetery fund.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor provided the Board with the Insurance insurance reimbursement from the summer storm with the large hail. Ms. Risovi stated that she has been working with Vice Chairman Greger and they have found two companies willing to submit bids but the companies were unable to get it to the Board for this meeting. Ms. Risovi stated that both companies are very busy but both would be able to fix the broken windows right away and then work on the rest of the repairs throughout winter as they have time.

Ms. Risovi asked about the Village and what the Board wanted to do. After a short discussion, Commissioner Carr stated that he does not want to go along with it. Chairman Straley stated, okay and to take it off.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board some ND DOT projects. After a brief discussion, Chairman Straley stated that the Board would like Herb with Wold Engineering to take a look at the paperwork.

Ms. Risovi handed the Board the Veteran Services report indicating the training that the Veteran Services Officer attended.

Teresa Risovi, EM informed the Board that she obtained a grant to replace the County repeater. Ms. Risovi stated that the Carrington Fire Department was unable to communicate with the Sheriff's Department so replacing the repeater has allowed communication and the safety to the responders.

Ms. Risovi stated that she also obtained grants for security systems in both the County Courthouse and for Municipal Court. Ms. Risovi stated Municipal Court never had any security in the past.

The payroll overtime report was provided to the Commissioners for review showing overtime for Foster County Public Health and Tobacco departments.

Commissioner Carr stated that he has some old business that needs to be addressed. Commissioner Carr requested to view the minutes from the special meeting between Chairman Straley and Vice Chairman Greger on September 8, 2014 at 9:00 AM. Commissioner Carr stated that he drove through the parking lot and he wrote down their license plate numbers to prove they had a special meeting. Chairman Straley stated that he and Vice Chairman Greger never had a special meeting that both Commissioners were in separate offices.

Commissioner Carr questioned Game and Fish. Commissioner Carr stated that he wanted to see the list that Teresa Risovi has showing what was picked up. Chairman Straley stated that the Game and Fish matter was under investigation. After a lengthy discussion about Game and Fish. Commissioner Carr stated he knows of 100 people who want to see the list. After interruptions from Ted Keller, Judy Keller, and Hope Carr, Chairman Straley pushed the security button.

Commissioner Carr informed Chairman Straley that he was excusing himself from the meeting at 9:00 AM. Chairman Straley stated that the meeting isn't over and that bills have not been signed.

Chairman Straley suspended the meeting at 9:00 AM due to not having a quorum.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 4, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the October 21, 2014 meeting were reviewed. A Correction to add the word button after security in the paragraph discussing Game and Fish. Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman was not present at the meeting and provided a report. The road crew will clean out the ditch and fill holes on the East side of the ditch on the Bordulac Road ½ mile south of Main Street. They will also put rock at the base of the culverts, the rock is being donated by Mr. Kenny Ihringer.

Mr. Monson provided the blade hours report to the Board.

Teresa Risovi, Auditor asked the Board on behalf of the employees if the Board would approve November 28, 2014 the day after Thanksgiving to be a Holiday. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve November 28, 2014 as a Holiday, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with an unauthorized charge to Runnings. Ms. Risovi provided the receipt along with the approved list of employees who are allowed to charge at Runnings. Ms. Risovi stated the items purchased the County already owned.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the paperwork on the three properties that will be up for auction for delinquent taxes. Ms. Risovi asked the Board to set a minimum price and she was recommending to go with the 2011, 2012, 2013, and estimated 2014 taxes to determine the minimum bid per property. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minimum bids as presented with 2011, 2012, 2013 back taxes and an estimated 2014 taxes. After a long discussion, Commissioner Carr stated that he wanted to discuss with SA, Paul Murphy on the minimum bid amounts.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the \$2 special assessment for maintenance on the Oak Creek Drain paperwork from the Wells County Water Board. Vice Chairman Greger asked that a copy of the paperwork be sent to the Foster County Water Board.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the Highway 52 project details.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with the quotes for the repairs on the Foster County Courthouse from the summer hail storm.

Ms. Risovi provided the Board with a letter from the North Dakota State Fair. They are looking for a delegate from Foster County. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to appoint Joel Lemer, 2nd by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

The final item for Ms. Risovi was a letter from Game and Fish. The letter explains that there are 4 books that have not been sent to Game and Fish. Ms. Risovi provided documentation that the former Deputy Auditor had noted the books were lost.

Teresa Risovi, EM informed the Board that she was audited by NDDDES on 5 grants. All grants were cleared with no issues and NDDDES was very pleased with the paperwork and the organization of the grants.

Commissioner Carr did not have an update on the ambulance split. Mr. Carr stated that the Auditor should have that information. Ms. Risovi provided the Board with documentation from 1995 showing a 80/20 split between Carrington and McHenry but explained that in recent years the split has been 75/25. Ms. Risovi also provided emails from Ms. Mariann Doeling where she was communicating with the former Auditor on what the split should be. After a long discussion, Commissioner Carr stated that he will contact both ambulance services and ask them what they believe the split should be.

Opening bids for the Foster County Courthouse repairs. First bid was from Jess Doeling with Doeling Construction and Repair. The bid was for \$5,410 for labor only. The second bid was from Klocke Construction for \$60/hour per man, \$150/forklift per day, and \$150/man lift per day. After a brief discussion it was decided that more information was needed from each contractor before awarding the jobs; however, the Board decided it was best to award the repairs on the dome right away to get the broken windows repaired. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to have Klocke Construction repair the dome, seconded by Chairman Straley. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried.

Paul Murphy, SA attended the meeting. Chairman Straley reminded the Board that there was a motion on the floor from Vice Chairman Greger to approve the minimum bids based on the back taxes from 2011, 2012, 2013 and the estimated 2014 taxes. SA Murphy stated he will have to do some checking into the matter. Motion to go with 2011, 2012, 2013, and estimated 2014 taxes to set

minimum bid with approval of the SA by Vice Chairman Greger, seconded by Chairman Straley. Roll call vote: Commissioner Carr, no; Vice Chairman Greger, yes; Chairman Straley, yes. Motion carried.

Paul Murphy, SA stated that he will be obtaining temporary staff to cover while his secretary is out.

Social Services bills approved 9/30/14 \$ 17,167.54

Board on motion approved the following bills:

18357	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$44.40
18358	AFLAC	\$2,135.20
18359	CARDMEMBER SERVICES	\$124.80
18360	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$115.65
18372	ACCO BRANDS DIRECT	\$62.99
18373	ALCO STORES, INC.	\$69.53
18374	AMERICANS FOR NONSMOKERS RIGHTS	\$40.00
18375	BECKMAN BEVERAGES	\$64.00
18376	BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA HOTEL	\$448.20
18377	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$215.00
18378	C & J OIL COMPANY	\$5,283.46
18379	CARRINGTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$50.00
18380	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$393.06
18381	CENTER FOR TOBACCO PREVENTION & CONTROL	\$25.00
18382	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$440.13
18383	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	\$49.50
18384	CENTRAL PHARMACY	\$3.57
18385	CENTURYLINK	\$191.88
18386	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$294.33
18387	COLLEEN SWEET	\$1,578.17
18388	COMPUTER EXPRESS	\$1,079.99
18389	COREAN SWART	\$243.18
18390	CUMMINS NPOWER	\$1,240.00
18391	DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	\$875.00
18392	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$1,745.41
18393	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	\$243.55
18394	DANA D SCHERR	\$200.62
18395	DARREN CARTER	\$120.00
18396	DR. JAY BAUER	\$45.00
18397	EIDE BAILLY, LLP	\$657.50
18398	EXPRESSWAY INN	\$672.30
18399	FEDERAL SIGNAL CORPORATION	\$13,795.00
18400	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$72.03
18401	GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	\$1,433.21
18402	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$42.00
18403	HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC	\$145.00
18404	HENRY SCHEIN	\$106.75
18405	HIWAY TESORO	\$101.01
18406	HOLLY N. ZIEMAN	\$45.00
18407	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$691.45
18408	JAMES E CARR	\$179.20
18409	JOEL LEMER	\$397.09
18410	KREISERS INC.	\$150.17
18411	KYLE SMITH	\$45.00
18412	LESLIE GREGER	\$570.08
18413	LISA D SOLWEY	\$341.18
18414	LISA M. WENINGER	\$234.12
18415	LYNELLE R LYMAN HOPPE	\$197.40
18416	MARCO, INC.	\$215.48

18417	MCKINNON TOWNSHIP	\$9,052.46
18418	MDU COMPANY	\$79.79
18419	MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	\$1,671.15
18420	MERLE OR EUNICE MUNSON	\$750.00
18421	MLGC	\$269.91
18422	MOORE MEDICAL LLC	\$452.10
18423	NACVSO	\$30.00
18424	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$6,504.81
18425	NDAAO	\$140.00
18426	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$222.50
18427	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$1,282.81
18428	NOREEN A BARTON	\$140.00
18429	NORTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS	\$200.00
18430	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP.	\$230.10
18431	NSC MINERALS	\$2,490.33
18432	OFFICE DEPOT	\$386.20
18433	OK TIRE STORE	\$15,063.80
18434	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$1,110.03
18435	PCC	\$105.00
18436	PHARMCHEM INC	\$75.00
18437	POSTMASTER	\$84.00
18438	RAMADA BISMARCK HOTEL	\$74.70
18439	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	\$7,000.00
18440	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	\$65.72
18441	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	\$91.05
18442	SANOFI PASTEUR INC	\$38.09
18443	TERESA RISOVI	\$140.00
18444	TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH	\$104.00
18445	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$577.26
18446	WILKIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$50.00
18447	XEROX CORPORATION	\$70.46

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on November 18, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi

Foster County Auditor

Paul Straley, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 18, 2014

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Chairman Straley, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

The minutes from the November 4, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Vice Chairman Greger to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Chairman Straley addressed the Board inquiring about an alleged illegal meeting between Vice Chairman Greger and Commissioner Carr. Chairman Straley stated that he believed County money was approved to be spent outside a Commissioner meeting involving placing rock around a culvert on the Bordulac Road. Chairman Straley announced to the Board that he would be excusing himself and turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman Greger at 9:00 AM. Vice Chairman Greger stated that the money was in Nate Monson's budget. Mr. Monson stated that the Board approved the rock for the culvert in October, 2013 and he was given approval to fix it back then. Commissioner Carr stated it needs to be fixed because it was a dangerous spot.

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent stated the Road crew fixed the ditch and drain area on Bordulac Road north of Bordulac. They also rocked the culverts East of Mr. Tim Zink on the Murphy Highway.

Commissioner Carr and Mr. Monson discussed the 8' culvert that Tom Gilbertson's has. Commissioner Carr stated that it needs to be picked up and to place it on the internet to sell it.

Mr. Monson asked the Board if he could purchase the Maxwell Nuvo 3405 MN poly packaging sealant for \$15,439.50 for 10 pallets (half load) through Midstates Equipment. Motion by Commissioner Carr to purchase a half load, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Mr. Roger Gussiaas addressed the Board and thanked Mr. Nate Monson for his hardwork.

Ms. Tamara Becker, Clerk of Court presented the Board with a grant possibility involving moving the elevator components out of the old Sheriff's residence. Ms. Becker stated the grant opportunity is a 75/25 match and would still have to be approved. Ms. Becker stated the quotes she would be submitting were to move the elevator and have a building to store the components in for \$80,000, which would be \$20,000 to the County. Commissioner Carr asked how much it would cost to move the electrical and water. Ms. Becker stated she did not have that information and she was just filling out the paperwork. After a brief discussion, the Board decided they would like to get quotes on moving the electrical and water. Ms. Becker stated the deadline to file for the grant is December 31, 2014.

Chairman Straley had annual audit on the agenda. Teresa Risovi explained that anytime a new auditor takes office it is a good idea to have an annual audit. After a short discussion, the Board decided to have EideBailly do a forensic audit to start after the first of the year. Motion by Commissioner Carr for a forensic audit, seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Greger asked about repairing the courthouse and asked Commissioner Carr if the Board wants to hire to get the rest of the work completed. Commissioner Carr stated to table it for now until Spring.

Commissioner Carr asked Teresa Risovi what her plans are. Ms. Risovi stated she has her office until April, 2015. Commissioner Carr asked if Ms. Risovi is moving, which Ms. Risovi stated it was none of his business. Commissioner Carr stated that it is County Business and that they need to make plans. Ms. Risovi stated again it was none of his business and stated that if they do not have any more County business she was leaving. Ms. Risovi temporarily left the meeting at 9:30 AM.

Kari – Social Services director asked the Board for a representative to take over for Paul Straley when his term is up. Vice Chairman Greger stated they will make that decision at the next County Commissioner Meeting.

Paul Murphy, SA attended the meeting. A brief discussion about the land at the West end of Main St was brought up. Mr. Murphy stated that the land needs to be surveyed and he wasn't sure if his office was given a timeframe from anyone who could do the surveying. Mr. Murphy stated that the land would not necessarily need to be surveyed either.

Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy if Teresa Risovi can legally stay in office until April. Mr. Murphy stated, yes. Mr. Ted Keller asked about residency in Foster County. Mr. Murphy stated there can be issues with not living in Foster County.

Commissioner Carr asked Mr. Murphy for clarification on a bill that was submitted my Kathleen Murray, SA in Wells County. Mr. Murphy stated that it was her case and that's why she submitted for the witness fees and not his office.

Delinquent Tax Auction started at 10:00 AM. In attendance to bid was: Mr. Jason Sisson, Mr. Dean Tracy, Mr. Chris Bichler, Mr. James Sherman, Mr. Tyler Carr.

Ms. Risovi explained to the individuals in attendance that there was originally three properties advertised; however, two of those have been redeemed. Ms. Risovi stated the only property up for auction was the one located in the City of Carrington with a legal description of E 17 ½ of 4 all of 5 & 6 blk 27 of Original. Opening bid started at \$1,718.26. Closing bid was \$7,000 plus \$13 for a deed, sold to Mr. Chris Bichler.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

18509	AFLAC	\$ 2,153.20
18510	ALCO STORES, INC.	\$ 2.99
18511	AMY M SMITH	\$ 237.32
18512	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$ 1,490.81
18513	BEST WESTERN FARGO DOUBLEWOOD INN	\$ 149.40
18514	BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA HOTEL	\$ 373.50
18515	BONNIE MULLENBERG	\$ 106.98
18516	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$ 215.00
18517	BRISS OIL COMPANY	\$ 111.90
18518	CARRINGTON DRUG INC.	\$ 21.56
18519	CENTURYLINK	\$ 387.11
18520	CUMMINS NPOWER	\$ 1,354.18
18521	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	\$ 100.07
18522	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,574.04
18523	DANA D SCHERR	\$ 9.88
18524	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$ 2,051.17
18525	HELEN ROSENAU	\$ 328.30
18526	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$ 1,121.85
18527	JOEL GUSSIAAS	\$ 39.55
18528	JOEL LEMER	\$ 868.24
18529	JOEL RINDY	\$ 288.75
18530	JUSTIN JOHNSON	\$ 25.00
18531	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	\$ 2,760.00
18532	LINDA ERICKSON	\$ 257.25
18533	LISA D SOLWEY	\$ 50.40
18534	LONA LUTZ	\$ 343.88
18535	MAYO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC	\$1,494,409.75
18536	MONARCH HANDYMAN SERVICE	\$ 80.00
18537	MOORE MEDICAL LLC	\$ 235.38
18538	NANCI RAE NEUMAN	\$ 284.13
18539	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$ 765.17
18540	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$ 2,025.00
18541	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$ 60.00
18542	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$ 19.30
18543	NORTH DAKOTA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION	\$ 342.72
18544	OFFICE DEPOT	\$ 32.99
18545	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL- 1250	\$ 415.00
18546	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$ 1,758.20
18547	PHARMCHEM INC	\$ 75.00
18548	QUILL CORPORATION	\$ 430.97
18549	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	\$ 59.57
18550	SCHULZ PLBG., HTG. A/C, INC.	\$ 311.48
18551	SHEILA HARRINGTON	\$ 259.88
18552	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	\$ 960.00
18553	SUPER VALU FOODS	\$ 31.53
18554	TAO INTERACTIVE	\$ 599.95
18555	THE BAKERY BOX	\$ 240.00
18556	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	\$ 882.50
18557	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	\$ 2,610.45

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman- Hoppe, Recorder

October Revenue

\$1,819.00

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on December 2, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Teresa Risovi
Foster County Auditor

Les Greger, Vice Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 2, 2014

Vice Chairman Greger called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Bauer, Commissioner Carr, Teresa Risovi, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

Vice Chairman Greger started the meeting with the swearing in of the newly elected Commissioners Bill Bauer and James Carr.

Prior to approving the meeting minutes Commissioner Carr asked about appointing a Chairman from now until the first of the year since that position is now vacant. Commissioner Carr presented a copy NDCC 11-11-10 that states in case of a vacancy the board shall elect another Chairman. Commissioner Carr suggested that they make Commissioner Bauer the Chairman until the first of the year as he received the most votes in the General Election. Vice Chairman Greger asked Commissioner Carr if there was a problem with him as it was his understanding that the Vice Chairman would take over until the first of the year when a new Chairman is elected. Vice Chairman Greger said he does not like to interpret the law and suggested we get the advice of State's Attorney Paul Murphy. With that it was decided to wait until Mr. Murphy was able to attend before making a decision.

The minutes from the November 18, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Bauer asked that Nate Monson's title be changed from Road Foreman to Road Superintendent and Mr. Becker changed to Ms. Becker. Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the minutes with noted changes, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. Motion carried.

Liz from Eide Bailly called in to discuss the need for a forensic audit once Ms. Risovi leaves office. Liz explained the difference between a regular audit and a forensic audit. She explained that a forensic audit is usually only performed when possible wrong-doing. Vice Chairman Greger suggested to conduct a regular audit and if any items are a red flag that we would then dig in deeper. After some discussion it was decided to table the decision for an audit.

Nate Monson, Road Foreman presented his report. There has been some snow plowing on the highways, gravel roads & small towns. Mr. Monson has been communicating with the schools in regards to roads that are filling in and others that are not and that seems to be working well. Snow plow truck #1 in McHenry had a twisted drive shaft. It has been taken up to Stafford's for repair and we should have it back today. Mr. Monson is doing some minor repairs to Truck#4. Last week Leading Edge sold the skid steer that we've been using while waiting for the new program skid steer to come in. So we will be without one for most of this month. Once the new one comes in it will be the same process as last year. Commissioner Bauer commended Mr. Monson and his crew for the good job they do on the roads within the county. He also told Monson that he and his crew should have a say in the new county shop as they are the ones who will be using it.

Vice Chairman Greger mention with December 26th and January 2nd both falling on a Friday this year it was requested by the employees to have off the extra days. Commissioner Carr made a motion granting December 26th off but not January 2nd due to taxes, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. Motion carried.

The board was informed of a public input meeting on December 8th from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM at Carrington City Hall. This is to discuss proposed improvements to US Highway 52 between west junction of ND highway 200 at Carrington. This meeting will be conducted by the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

The Central Dakota Six-County meeting will be held December 12th at 10:00 AM in Linton. All Commissioners are planning on attending this meeting

The board heard from Carrington resident Mel Schramm who attended to discuss ambulance funding, but stated that he is not there to represent the Carrington Health Center (CHC) Ambulance. Mr. Schramm said he investigated the fund split between both McHenry and CHC ambulance services. Mr. Schramm told the board that he did some investigating into the commission minutes from 2010 and found where the board discussed the mills split. He said at that time the split was 66 percent for CHC Ambulance and 34 percent for McHenry Ambulance. Mr. Schramm said that in 1980 the commission voted to allow 1½ mills for the ambulance services. He said in August of 2010 the board increased the mills from 1½ to 3 mills for ambulance replacement and created a vehicle depreciation fund.

He went on to say that in 2012, county voters passed a four mill measure for the county ambulance services where CHC Ambulance received \$30,000 and McHenry ambulance received \$13,000 making it a 70/30 split. Mr. Schramm said he received the information about the ambulance payments from the Foster County Treasurer. He also said that in 2013, CHC received \$35,000 and McHenry received \$15,000. Again, a 70/30 split. Finally, Mr. Schramm told the board that in 2014, McHenry Ambulance received two payments. One payment of \$8,388 and one payment of \$9,249 while CHC Ambulance received one payment of \$53,626 and another payment of \$62,364. Commissioner Carr told Mr. Schramm that he is on the ambulance board and as far as he knows, a new ambulance for CHC Ambulance has been ordered. Mr. Schramm told the board that they should require an annual financial statement where they can see all of the income and expenses of the ambulance services. The board agreed to call Mariann Doeling of CHC, but she was out of the office.

Ted Keller started his county business with the reading of NDCC 11-11-10 Power of board to preserve order - Fines – Collection. The board of county commissioners has power to preserve order when sitting as a board and may punish contempt's by fines of not more than five dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than twenty-four hours. The board may enforce obedience to its orders by attachment or other compulsory process, and when fines are assessed by it, they may be collected before any district judge having jurisdiction, and, within ten days after they are collected, must be paid into the treasury of the county to be added to the state school fund. Mr. Keller suggested that in the future to preserve order this be voted on by the board and enforced. He also asked the commission why they do not require background checks on all new county employees. He said, "Every corporation conducts background and credit checks before hiring new employees. Why doesn't the county?" He said he thinks the county should start conducting background and credit checks on all new county employees and retroactive checks on all current county employees, barring elected officials because they were voted in.

States Attorney Paul Murphy addressed the commission regarding the questions of the funding of the ambulance. He is unsure if it is reflected in the meeting minutes or not but at one point he had suggested that since tax payer money is being sent to CHC we need to know how this money is being spent.

In terms of the vacant Chairman position Mr. Murphy agrees and encourages the board to elect a Chairman for the month of December. Vice Chairman asked for nominations for a new Chairman Commissioner Carr made a motion to elect Commissioner Bauer as Chairman as he had the most votes in the General Election. With no other nominations Vice Chair Greger closed nominations. He then asked all in favor of Commissioner Bauer to be the new Chairman all voting aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Bauer asked if there were job descriptions for county employees. Mr. Murphy informed Bauer that only the elected officers' duties are outlined in the NDCC, but the county does have an employee policy manual.

Commissioner Bauer told the board that he would like the county to advertise for a full-time emergency manager. Current emergency manager/auditor Teresa Risovi told Bauer that the emergency management position was hers. Bauer told her that she is the auditor full-time and the emergency manager part-time. "We need a full-time emergency manager," said Bauer. "Well, I was hire as a part-time emergency manager," said Risovi. After several comments from Dean Tracy, Bauer told Tracy that he was out of order and in contempt and is fined \$5.00 per the NDCC. Chairman Bauer then asked for a motion to advertise for a full-time emergency manager starting at 32 hours per week. Mr. Murphy told the board that they legally cannot take action on the discussion because it was not on the agenda and should put it on the agenda for the next meeting. He also told the board that the North Dakota Attorney General came out with a new opinion on boards taking action on items that are not on their agenda. Mr. Murphy said that the Attorney General's opinion is that boards must stick to their agendas. With that information, the board agreed to put the idea of advertising for an emergency manager on the agenda for the next meeting.

The commission received a resignation letter from Sheriff Mike Tufte, effective November 30, and another resignation letter from Sheriff Deputy Danielle Rosewaren, effective December 31. That will leave the county with only one law enforcement officer until a new sheriff can be hired.

18578	BROWN & SAENGER	\$ 78.98
18579	C & J OIL COMPANY	\$ 6,652.27
18580	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$ 176.01
18581	CARRINGTON HARDWARE HANK	\$ 113.92
18582	CENTRAL CITY LUMBER INC.	\$ 30.91
18583	CENTRAL DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.	\$ 100.25
18584	CENTRAL STEEL BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION	\$ 77.50
18585	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$ 238.25
18586	COLLEEN SWEET	\$ 67.18
18587	COMFORT INN	\$ 370.00
18588	COMPUTER EXPRESS	\$ 437.00
18589	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 50.32
18590	DAKOTA DUST-TEX INC	\$ 242.05
18591	DAVID KLOCKE CONSTRUCTION INC.	\$ 635.00
18592	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 1,625.55
18593	GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT	\$ 42.00
18594	INTOXIMETERS	\$ 64.00
18595	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$ 458.69
18596	KATHLEEN MURRAY	\$ 3,580.00
18597	LISA D SOLWEY	\$ 50.40
18598	LISA M. WENINGER	\$ 25.00
18599	MARCO, INC.	\$ 215.48
18600	MARCO, INC.	\$ 62.77
18601	MDU COMPANY	\$ 213.28
18602	MYHRE LAW OFFICE	\$ 481.82
18603	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$ 5,257.00
18604	ND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION	\$ 950.00
18605	NORTH DAKOTA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION	\$ 181.80
18606	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP.	\$ 384.80
18607	OFFICE DEPOT	\$ 158.15
18608	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	\$ 1,444.36
18609	QUILL CORPORATION	\$ 75.98
18610	RELIASTAR LIFE INS. CO. OF NY	\$ 65.72
18611	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	\$ 204.66
18612	SIDWELL COMPANY	\$ 195.50
18613	STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	\$ 302.65
18614	SUPER VALU FOODS	\$ 22.41
18615	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 513.59
18616	WELLS COUNTY AUDITOR	\$ 3,860.00
18617	XEROX CORPORATION	\$ 70.46
	SOCIAL SERVICES	\$ 13,084.71

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on December 16, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Heather Martin
Foster County Deputy Auditor

Bill Bauer Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 4, 2014

Chairman Bauer called the special meeting to order at 1:00 PM. Chairman Bauer, Vice Chairman Greger, Commissioner Carr, Heather Martin, Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

Chairman Bauer started the meeting by welcoming everyone in the audience for coming. Chairman Bauer then announced the resignation of Teresa Risovi as Auditor and Emergency Manager. He then asked Vice Chairman Les Greger & Commissioner James Carr their thoughts on what should be done. Vice Chairman Greger stated that Casey Cables was elected and we need to get her on board as soon as possible. He also voiced his concern on the tax statements being mailed out on time and was wondering if we could get someone soon to help get the mill levy information to Noreen. Commissioner Carr said that he knew of a retired Auditor in Logan County that may be willing to assist and he would call her to see if she is interested.

Chairman Bauer asked Treasurer Noreen Barton to come into the meeting and asked her if she would be willing to get the tax information ready she asked why Casey Cables isn't being brought into office now to help prepare this information. It was then asked when tax statements need to be out by and Ms. Barton stated statements need to be postmarked by December 26th. Mr. Bauer then asked Deputy Auditor Heather Martin her feelings on what should be done. Ms. Martin said that the people of Foster County have voted and they have voted for Ms. Cables and Ms. Martin believes she should be brought into office as soon as possible. With that Chairman Bauer asked for a motion to appoint Casey Cables as Auditor motion by Commissioner Carr and seconded by Vice Chairman Greger. Motion carried.

Chairman Bauer asked for a motion to keep Ms. Martin on as Deputy Auditor from now until April 1st. Ms. Martin stated that she does not want that as then there is an option to fire her after April 1st. Commissioner Carr stated that he was very happy with her performance in office and he would hope she would stay on until April 1st but Ms. Cables has the choice to hire whomever she wishes to be her Deputy.

Chairman Bauer then address the Emergency Manager position that Ms. Risovi also held he said this will be discussed at the regular meeting of the Commission on December 16, 2014. Until that time Ms. Martin will be handling the Emergency Manager side until someone can be hired. Chairman Bauer also stated that he has spoken with retired Emergency Manager Dale Townsend and he would be willing to help Ms. Martin is any major emergencies were to arise. Commissioner Carr mention that Lindsay Dreher might also be an option for help.

With no further business, Vice Chairman Greger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carr. Meeting adjourned at 1:29PM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on December 16, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Heather Martin
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
December 9, 2014

Chairman Bauer called the special meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Roll call:

Chairman Bauer-Present

Vice Chair Greger-Absent

Commissioner Carr-Present

Treasurer Noreen Barton-Present

Road Superintendent Nate Monson-Present

Foster County States Attorney Paul Murphy-Present

Also in attendance was Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura and Greg Grenz from KDAK.

The purpose of today's meeting is to discuss and finalize the State & County Mill Levies.

Noreen Barton presented a spreadsheet with the certified Mill Levies & the 2014 Mill Levies. After a brief discussion there was a motion by Commissioner Carr to cut Farm to Market from 10.50 to 10.00, County Road from 1.84 to 1.00 and Weed Board from 3.25 to 3.00 with the total Mill Levy changed to 111.37 seconded by Chairman Bauer. Motion carried.

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Bauer. Meeting adjourned at 1:34 PM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on December 16, 2014 at 8:30 AM.

Heather Martin
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 16, 2014

Before calling the meeting to order, Chairman Bauer welcomed everyone to the meeting, as well as stated a set of standards for future meetings. Stated from the chairman is as follows: "If you have a complaint, it must be an issue that is personal to you, you must have personally witnessed or experienced the event. Second hand accounts and hearsay have no place in this meeting. If it is a criminal matter, those should be reported to law enforcement for investigation, not the commission. For elected officials those are political/election issues, those issues are addressed through the political/election/recall process, or to the elected official. Or address the elected official directly. For hired employees, taken first to the supervisor, then to the commission, for elected officials, turn to the elections/recall process. Ultimately, the only thing that should be brought to the board are issues that the board can address. If there are things that need to be pointed out to change things in the future, those are proper."

Chairman Bauer called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Greger, Commissioner Carr, Noreen Barton, Lynelle Lyman Hoppe, Heather Martin, Casey Cables, Foster county Independent reporter Leasa Lura and others were all present at some point during the meeting.

Commissioner Greger made a motion to approve the December 2nd, 2014 meeting minutes, with a correction. A paragraph, stating the board agreed to seek quarterly reports from department heads starting in January, was removed from the minutes. Commissioner Carr seconded the motion.

The minutes from the December 4th, 2014 special meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Carr to accept the minutes with Commissioner Greger seconding.

The minutes from the December 9th, 2014 special meeting were also reviewed. Motion made by Commissioner Carr to accept the minutes. Commissioner Greger seconded the motion.

Commissioner Greger questioned the soil conservation mill levy, stating that the mills and dollar amount did not add up. According the Treasurer Noreen Barton, the approved budget is what was placed in the paper, and she is only able to use what was certified.

The first item of new business was to give Casey Cables the Oath of Office for the Auditor position. Chairman Bauer read the Certificate of Appointment, and Cables followed with the Oath of Office.

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent, presented his report. He contacted the city about signs, discussed the large culverts available on Bisman, and placing "Bump Ahead" signs in the McHenry area. Discussed sanding the roads on December 15th, 2014 following the icy conditions the weekend brought. Two areas of concern for black ice were the Barlow highway and the Kensal 5 mile road. The road crew will be sanding again in those areas. A new truck was purchased to assist the road department, with insurance placed on it, and the license coming within the week. Machinery repair and replacement was brought up with a payment coming due on January 26, 2015. In addition, Superintendent Monson stated that the road department will be looking at selling two different trucks (1983 and 1984 models) and replacing it with one truck. He believes that we would get between \$10,000 (low) and \$14,000 (high) for both trucks. A replacement truck at the state auction would be anywhere from \$20,000 to \$22,000. Another topic discussed was when looking at the budget, the account is set at \$375,000. However, in the budget for 2014, there was supposed to be a transfer of \$150,000 from County Highway that was never done, but a correction by Barton states that it has to come out of the county road fund, and not the county highway fund.

Chairman Bauer started discussion on giving extra compensation to Heather Martin, for her work as Emergency Management until the position is filled, as well as Noreen

Barton and Brenda Hoeckle for their overtime worked to finish taxes. Martin was asked if 30% compensation would be acceptable to fill the position, with reasoning of that is what was given to the last EM. Martin informed the board that was a part time position, and she is filling in full time until the position is filled and would like 50%, equaling to \$1500/month. Commissioner Greger made a motion to accept this proposal, with Commissioner Carr seconding. Motion passes, and the funds will come from the Emergency Management budget. The treasurer's office was then discussed for the overtime work completed, and yet to complete, for the 2014 taxes. Hoeckle will keep track of her hours and be paid time and a half for all completed. Barton is salaried, and needed to figure what would be complementary to the extra time worked. She returned later in the meeting with a figure of \$2000 to cover the overtime. Commissioner Greger made the motion granting extra compensation for both employees, with Commissioner Carr seconding. Motion carried.

Chairman Bauer welcomed Heather Martin to give the auditor's office report, starting with the auditors' wage. Martin handed out comparisons to other counties with similar populations, and suggested to go by those numbers. Discussion came about of many auditors on putting in about 35 hours per week, but Martin stated that around budget time there is a lot more time put in due to it being a very busy time of the year. Commissioner Carr made a motion to start the auditors' position at \$35,000 salaried, with Commissioner Greger seconding. Motion passes.

The Emergency Management (EM) job posting and location of the office then came up. Martin will be posting an ad in the paper with a December 30th, 2014 deadline. Discussion on where to place the EM office was brought up by Chairman Bauer, with Commissioner Greger commenting "it would be nice to have in building". Martin mentioned that the EM was in the Sherriff's office originally, but due to privacy concerns that it would not be an ideal spot. She also stated that there are a few offices in house that only use their offices one to two days a week, and maybe combining with one of those two offices would work. Commissioner Carr asked about the armory office that was used prior to the EM being moved into the auditor's office. Carr said he would call Heather Carr, the Carrington City Auditor, and ask if the room is still available.

The resignation and prorated vacation of Tamera Becker, Clerk of Court, was conversed by Martin and the commissioners. Becker will be two days short of her anniversary of being hired, and has built up 104.42 vacation hours. Commissioner Greger supported bumping her vacation to 105 vacation hours since she has dedicated many years of service, and made a motion to do so. Commissioner Carr seconded. Motion carried.

Jenna Weisenburger, deputy Clerk of Court, will resign as of December 26th, 2014. Since she has not been employed for more than a year, she will receive pay for five days of vacation pay. Commissioner Greger motioned for Weisenburgers resignation, seconded by Commissioner Carr. Motion carried.

Martin then discussed the deputy sheriff job posting with the commissioners, and it was decided that once a sheriff is chosen, that the sheriff will choose their own deputy. Only the position of sheriff will be posted in the paper.

The Stutsman county inmate housing increase and contract was then brought to the table. In the last year, the pay per inmate was \$60 per day, which has now increased to \$65 per day per inmate, with the newly signed contract. If the contract is not agreed upon or signed, a cost of \$75 per inmate per day will be charged. Deputy Sheriff Henry Head was asked to comment on the use of inmate housing between Stusman and Ramsey. Head stated that where inmates are taken depends on which place has more vacancy, but overall both are used fairly equally. Commissioner Carr made the motion to approve the contract, Commissioner Greger seconded. Motion carried.

The South Central Dakota Regional Council agreement has offered it support, like previous years, for grant writing. Costs for the services are \$5800 in dues. Commissioner Greger mentioned that the council was very beneficial in the past for

Foster County, and made a motion to continue with paying the dues. Commissioner Carr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Martin informed the commissioners that Canadian Pacific will be installing 15 antenna poles within Foster County. The poles will be a free standing monopole structure, either 40' or 60' tall, depending on the requirements of the site.

Dell Horn from the Jamestown Community Corrections sent a contract for the commissioners' consideration. Due to the need for sustained community service in Foster County, Mr. Horn requested that we continue the working relationship already in place. Foster County is asked to pay \$208.33 per month for supervisory personnel, as well as \$625 quarterly for financial support of the program. Commissioner Carr motioned to approve the contract. Commissioner Greger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Law Enforcement Center in Jamestown is hosting a Non-Oil County Meeting on December 18th, 2014 at 1:30 PM. In the past, funds granted were used for specific purposes, such as repairing the Kensal road. Commissioner Carr said he would attend the meeting.

Martin also informed the commissioners that there is a Department of Transportation meeting on December 17, 2014 at the Gladstone in Jamestown at 10:30 AM. The meeting will discuss the possibility of making HWY 281 from Carrington to the South Dakota border a four lane, or having a passing lane.

Rod Olson, Court Administrator for Unit II of the North Dakota Court System, attended the meeting to discuss the resignation of Tamera Becker and hiring of a Clerk of Court. The North Dakota State Court Administrator has a contract with Foster County to provide Clerk of Court services. Commissioner Greger asked if any qualifications were needed, Mr. Olson responded "a high school diploma is the only requirement, preferably have a knowledge of the court system". Chairman Bauer stated that the Clerk of Court position would be posted in the paper, with Mr. Olson stating that someone local needs to fill in. Commissioner Carr asked if it is possible to combine the Recorder's office with the Clerk of Court office, noting that other counties have done so. Mr. Olson said it's possible, but with the workload of both offices it would be overwhelming, and is "biased towards not combining". Commissioner Carr mentioned that Lynelle Lyman Hoppe, Foster County Recorder, offered to step in. Mr. Olsen discussed with Hoppe outside of the meeting what would need to be done. A motion by Commissioner Carr to advertise only for the Clerk of Court position was made. Commissioner Greger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Bauer discussed the elevator having a few problems, and discussed various ways of possibly mending the problem with Commissioners Greger and Carr. Commissioner Carr made a motion to hire a plumber to look at the elevator. Commissioner Greger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Coverage in the Sheriff's office was discussed with Henry Head giving input. The Carrington Police department has officers ready to volunteer their off-duty time to assist the county. Chairman Bauer asked what compensation would be fair, and according Deputy Head, Randy Munkeby, Carrington Police Chief, suggested visiting with the volunteering officers and discuss it with them. Chairman Bauer said that he would talk with the police department and work on the schedule with Deputy Head. The application time for the Sheriff's position is December 23rd, 2014 and a special meeting will be held on December 24th, 2014 to discuss the applicants. Interviews for the position will be December 30th, 2014 starting at 9:00 AM.

Dean Tracy had a statement about the last 8 months regarding the mudslinging of Foster County officials. Chairman Bauer mentioned the statement he made before the meeting started. After not obliging to the set of standards set by Chairman Bauer, Mr. Tracy was asked to stop his statement, and was later removed by Deputy Head. Herb Bargeman from Wold Engineering presented an upgrade to the existing rail road signal system in Bordulac. Canadian Pacific will upgrade the existing signal, at an

estimated cost of \$206,377.74. The county is to pay 10% of the total amount, with 90% of the project being federally funded. Mr. Bargeman informed the board that the upkeep will be done by Canadian Pacific after installation. Discussion on this matter is tabled until the January 6th, 2015 meeting.

The end of year transfers was described by Treasurer Noreen Barton. She explained that \$29,500 from the general fund would have to be put into Soil Assessing (\$12,000), the HMEP Grant (\$5,500) and the County Correctional Center fund (\$12,000) to cover negative amounts. In addition, \$215,000 needs to be transferred from the County Road fund to cover the negative balance in the Machinery Repair and Replacement fund. Commissioner Greger made a motion to approve the transfers, with Commissioner Carr seconding. Motion carried.

Board on motion approved the following bills:

18672	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$ 815.86
18673	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$ 215.00
18674	BRENDA HOECKLE	\$ 215.60
18675	BRISS OIL COMPANY	\$ 377.85
18676	BROWN & SAENGER	\$ 245.87
18677	CARRINGTON COMPUTER	\$ 24.95
18678	CARRINGTON HEALTH CENTER	\$ 145.00
18679	CITY OF CARRINGTON	\$ 206.76
18680	COMFORT INN	\$ 148.00
18681	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	\$ 226.89
18682	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,488.87
18683	DANA D SCHERR	\$ 340.76
18684	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	\$ 3,067.08
18685	ELIZABETH PETERSON	\$ 25.00
18686	FOSTER COUNTY INDEPENDENT	\$ 702.81
18687	FOSTER COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 8,068.23
18688	HIWAY TESORO	\$ 275.02
18689	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$ 681.05
18690	J.O.B. WELDING & REPAIR	\$ 1,732.00
18691	JUSTIN JOHNSON	\$ 205.94
18692	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	\$ 2,280.00
18693	LINDSAY J DREHER	\$ 30.00
18694	MLGC	\$ 269.91
18695	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$ 97.91
18696	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	\$ 60.00
18697	NORTH DAKOTA SECRETARY OF STATE	\$ 3,235.29
18698	OK TIRE STORE	\$ 13.18
18699	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	\$ 935.00
18700	PAUL C MURPHY	\$ 378.08
18701	PHARMCHEM INC	\$ 100.00
18702	RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	\$ 75.95
18703	UNDERGROUND VAULTS & STORAGE	\$ 200.00
18704	ZUERCHER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC.	\$ 1,462.50
	SOCIAL SERVICES	\$ 1,296.00

Revenue

Lynelle Lyman Hoppe, Recorder

November Revenue

\$1619.00

Once bills were finished, Commissioner Greger handed in his resignation letter. He resigned from all county boards, effective immediately.

With no further business, Commissioner Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by the Chairman. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM until the next regular scheduled Commission meeting on January 6th, 2015 at 8:30 AM.

Casey Cables
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 24, 2014

Chairman Bauer called a special meeting to order regarding liquor licenses at 8:38 AM. Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Carr, and Casey Cables were all present during the meeting.

Chairman Bauer and Commissioner Carr reviewed the liquor and beer license applications from Bordulac Bar and Grill, Carrington Crossroads Golf Course, and HiWay OffSale/Cork & Barrel Liquors. All fees for each establishment have been paid for the 2015 year. Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve all liquor license and beer license applications from all establishments. Chairman Bauer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business, Commissioner Carr motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Chairman Bauer seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 AM.

Casey Cables
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 24, 2014

Chairman Bauer called a special meeting to order at 9:00 AM to discuss Sheriff applications. Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Carr, and Casey Cables were all present during the meeting.

Six applications were received for the Sheriff position, and each commissioner were given copies of each individual. The commissioners agreed to use a number system in order to pick their top favorite applicants. In addition, it was decided that a background check would be completed after the interviews and hiring take place, which will involve a background check, credit check, and drug screen. Three applications were accepted for interviews, which will take place on December 30th, 2014 starting at 9:30 AM.

With no further business, Commissioner Carr motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Chairman Bauer seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 AM.

Casey Cables
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 30, 2014

Chairman Bauer called the special meeting to order at 9:30 AM to interview applicants for the sheriff position. Chairman Bauer, Commissioner Carr, States Attorney Paul Murphy and Auditor/Clerk Casey Cables were all present during the meeting.

Three applicants were selected for interviews from the December 24, 2014 special meeting for sheriff applications. Two applicants agreed to do an interview, one declined. Topics discussed with both applicants were strengths, weaknesses, salary, qualifications, and character. The first interview started at 9:32 AM and ended at 10:04 AM. The second interview began at 10:09 AM, and ended at 10:35 AM. Discussion was made after both interviews were completed, weighing the pros and cons of each applicant.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Casey Cables
Foster County Auditor

Bill Bauer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners