

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 17th, 2023

At 3:30pm, Chairman Scanson called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Scott Beumer, Commissioner Becky Hagel, Commissioner Alan Scanson, and Commissioner David Utke. Also present was Auditor/Treasurer Ellen Roundy, Road Superintendent Nate Monson, State’s Attorney Kara Brinster, and Foster County Independent reporter Leasa Lura.

The meeting began with approval of the minutes for the October 3rd, 2023, regular meeting. Auditor/Treasurer Roundy noted an error. Commissioner Hagel motioned to approve the minutes with the correction, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Hagel motioned to approve the bills seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

36217	ANDREW S. MARQUART	153.00
36218	ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	314.70
36219	AUTO VALUE PARTS STORE	57.76
36220	AVID HAWK, LLC	35.00
36221	BARNES COUNTY CORRECTIONS	2,839.96
36222	*** VOID *** BAYMONT INN AND SUITES FARGO	288.90
36223	BEST WESTERN - ROOSVEVELT PLACE HOTEL	1,234.80
36224	BORDER STATES PAVING INC.	4,015.50
36225	BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	349.00
36226	BRISS OIL COMPANY	346.20
36227	C & J OIL COMPANY	7,680.64
36228	CARRINGTON MOTORS INC	1,314.96
36229	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	321.55
36230	COMPUTER EXPRESS	900.00
36231	COREAN SWART	501.17
36232	DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	65.77
36233	*** VOID *** EAPC ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS	1,455.96
36234	ELLEN ROUNDY	181.70
36235	GILBERTSON'S	159.50
36236	HAILEY BACHMEIER	181.70
36237	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	899.80
36238	JOEL GUSSIAAS	312.20
36239	JUSTIN JOHNSON	454.87
36240	LAKE REGION LAW ENFORCE. CEN.	2,550.00
36241	LEADING EDGE	88.66
36242	LYNELLE R LYMAN HOPPE	208.02
36243	NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE.	9,661.38
36244	NSC MINERALS	3,378.04
36245	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	278.99
36246	PAT BIEL TRUCKING INC.	9,453.60
36247	PHARMCHEM INC	63.90
36248	QUILL CORPORATION	87.97
36249	RACHEL STOKES	47.71
36250	RUNNING'S SUPPLY, INC.	431.01
36251	STUTSMAN CO. CORRECTION CENTER	4,800.00
36252	THE MEDICINE SHOPPE	22.09
36253	TOM GILBERTSON & SONS	272.00
36254	EAPC ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS	1,455.96
36255	BAYMONT BY WYNDHAM	288.90

Commissioner Beumer motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

No old business to report.

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent, provided the BOCC with an update from the Road Department. Rain total for the year to date is 18.62". The department is still working on durapatching and they will switch to winter hours in November.

Ellen Roundy, Auditor/Treasurer has been working with the state auditor's office to implement policies and procedures. Commissioner Utke motioned to approve the organization of the fraud risk assessment team and implementation of the policy, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed. Commissioner Utke motioned to appoint Commissioner Hagel to the fraud risk assessment team, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion passed. Roundy stated that there are no current concerns with fraud, this is good practice to have in place. Roundy presented the BOCC with a Government Accounting Standards capital asset policy and statement No. 54. These are current practices the office follows, but it is good to have procedures and policies in place for reference. Commissioner Beumer motioned to approve the capital asset policy and fund balance policy, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner discussion included the purchase of tablets for the BOCC. Commissioner Hagel presented information from Computer Express. Commissioner Utke noted that apple products tend to be more expensive up front, but usually have a longer life and the battery life is better. Commissioner Hagel motioned to approve the purchase of the iPad pro-11" for each commissioner with a magic keyboard and SIM card to go with each iPad, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. Roll call vote included:

- Commissioner Beumer – aye
- Commissioner Hagel – aye
- Commissioner Scanson – aye
- Commissioner Utke – aye

motion passed. State's Attorney Kara Brinster reiterated that councils and commissions are moving to a digital format for meetings. Commissioner Scanson noted that the NDACo convention was good. The speaker was good as were the breakout sessions. The BOCC will plan to meet with each township on November 14th, 2023.

With no further business, Chairman Scanson adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.

Ellen Roundy
Foster County Auditor/Treasurer

Alan Scanson, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners