

Commissioners Proceedings

On October 20, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. the Board of Commissioners of Cavalier County, North Dakota, met at the Cavalier County Courthouse in regular session, with all members present. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic there was limited audience capacity in the courthouse meeting rooms. Webex was utilized for those wanting to attend the meeting virtually and made available in the north meeting room to provide for social distancing. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Nick Moser called the meeting to order and proceeded as follows:

Moser asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Lisa Gellner, Auditor, stated that Jeff Amoth was not able to attend and needed to be removed from the agenda. David Zeis made a motion to approve the updated agenda, seconded by Greg Goodman; motion carried. Greg Goodman made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Austin Lafrenz; motion carried.

David Zeis stated he had talked to Ole Nowatzki and he wanted to be replaced on the North Central Planning Board. Greg Goodman stated he had attended the Weed Board meeting and spraying of trees in county road right of ways was discussed. Josh Short, Weed Officer, stated they just needed to let him know the locations that needed to be sprayed.

Anita Beauchamp, Clerk of Court, met with the commissioners and discussed Judge Fontaine's upcoming retirement. Concern about whether or not Pembina and Cavalier County will have dual chambers in the future was discussed and the importance of rural communities continuing to be served locally. **Stanley Dick made a motion to send a Resolution signed by all commissioners, if possible, seconded by David Zeis, motion carried.** Scott Stewart, State's Attorney joined the commissioners later in the meeting with a proposed Resolution in Support of Retaining Judgeship #5, which was signed by the commissioners.

Cindy Stremick, Treasurer, met with the commissioners and stated that the signature cards needed to be updated at Choice Financial, Farmers & Merchants State Bank, and Bank of North Dakota. **David Zeis made a motion to update the signature cards and authorize the following employees on the accounts at Choice Financial, Farmers & Merchants State Bank, and Bank of North Dakota: Cynthia Stremick, Kim Johnson, Lisa Gellner, and Frankie Stremick, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried.** Stremick informed the commissioners that the Motor Vehicle kiosk would be installed the beginning of December, but the driver's license renewals in the kiosk may be delayed until they are able to be trained on that portion.

Austin Lafrenz made a motion, seconded by Greg Goodman to review and approve the following audit of claims; motion carried:

94421	10/8/2020	NORTHEAST REGIONAL WATER	\$55.00	ROAD & BRIDGE
94424	10/20/2020	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & ABUSE CENTER	\$1,897.77	GENERAL
94426	10/20/2020	NICK MOSER	\$250.70	COMMISSIONERS
94427	10/20/2020	DAVID J. ZEIS	\$239.20	COMMISSIONERS
94428	10/20/2020	STANLEY DICK	\$82.22	COMMISSIONERS
94429	10/20/2020	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$103.45	CLERK
94430	10/20/2020	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$21.74	CLERK
94431	10/20/2020	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$22.49	CLERK
94432	10/20/2020	CINDY STREMICK	\$90.44	TREASURER
94433	10/20/2020	ES&S, LLC	\$956.66	ELECTIONS
94434	10/20/2020	STATE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	\$1,039.02	GENERAL

94435	10/20/2020	MID AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$1,358.63	GENERAL
94436	10/20/2020	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$1,915.20	GENERAL
94437	10/20/2020	ND NEWSPAPER ASSOC.	\$139.38	ELECTIONS
94438	10/20/2020	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,322.58	GENERAL/F-M/R&B
94439	10/20/2020	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$2,812.01	GENERAL/R&B
94440	10/20/2020	COMPUTER EXPRESS	\$1,975.97	GENERAL/VSO
94441	10/20/2020	SANFORD HEALTH OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE CLINIC	\$374.00	GENERAL/SOCIAL SERVICES
94442	10/20/2020	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$62.49	GENERAL
94443	10/20/2020	ELSIE MAGNUS	\$45.00	GENERAL
94444	10/20/2020	LAWRENCE HENRY	\$45.00	GENERAL
94445	10/20/2020	PAUL HENDERSON	\$45.00	GENERAL
94446	10/20/2020	NICK MOSER	\$45.00	GENERAL
94447	10/20/2020	STANLEY DICK	\$45.00	GENERAL
94448	10/20/2020	WILLIAM S. HARDY	\$45.00	GENERAL
94449	10/20/2020	CAROL GOODMAN	\$45.00	GENERAL
94450	10/20/2020	SCHROEDER FURNITURE	\$499.00	SHERIFF
94451	10/20/2020	MID-CONTINENT CABLE CO.	\$101.40	SHERIFF
94452	10/20/2020	JOSH PLUMMER	\$250.00	SHERIFF
94453	10/20/2020	SPORTS & SHIRTS	\$229.00	SHERIFF/DISPATCHERS
94454	10/20/2020	QUALITY SPECIALTY PRODUCTS & PRINTING	\$205.89	SHERIFF
94455	10/20/2020	AT&T MOBILITY	\$559.00	SHERIFF
94456	10/20/2020	BALCO UNIFORM CO. INC.	\$130.00	SHERIFF
94457	10/20/2020	UNIFORM CENTER	\$267.00	SHERIFF
94458	10/20/2020	FOREMAX INCORPORATED	\$16.90	SHERIFF
94459	10/20/2020	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$35.49	DISPATCHERS
94460	10/20/2020	SIRCHIE	\$212.60	SHERIFF
94461	10/20/2020	ACME TOOLS	\$589.91	ROAD & BRIDGE
94462	10/20/2020	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$695.82	ROAD & BRIDGE
94463	10/20/2020	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$159.20	GENERAL/R&B/WEED
94464	10/20/2020	MUNICH ELEVATOR & OIL CO.	\$599.11	SHERIFF/R&B
94465	10/20/2020	NORTHEAST REGIONAL WATER	\$55.00	ROAD & BRIDGE
94466	10/20/2020	POMPS TIRE SERVICE	\$248.00	ROAD & BRIDGE
94467	10/20/2020	NEWMAN SIGNS	\$713.09	ROAD & BRIDGE
94468	10/20/2020	NDTC	\$128.03	E-911 EXCISE TAX
94469	10/20/2020	HEARTLAND CONSULTING GROUP, LLC	\$8,885.00	EMG MNGR
94470	10/20/2020	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$47.82	EMG MNGR
94471	10/20/2020	VICTOR HECK	\$16.50	VSO
94472	10/20/2020	CAVALIER COUNTY AUDITOR	\$240.36	NDSU EXT.
94473	10/20/2020	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$151.03	NDSU EXT.
94474	10/20/2020	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	\$56.72	NDSU EXT.
94475	10/20/2020	NDSU - DEPT 3110	\$29.12	NDSU EXT.
94476	10/20/2020	XEROX CORPORATION	\$286.71	NDSU EXT.
94477	10/20/2020	VERNON GORNOWICZ	\$1,000.00	WEED CONTROL
94478	10/20/2020	LARRY SEIM	\$1,000.00	WEED CONTROL
94479	10/20/2020	CAVALIER COUNTY AUDITOR	\$58.25	WEED CONTROL
94480	10/20/2020	FARMERS UNION OIL CO	\$148.05	WEED CONTROL
94481	10/20/2020	MARK SCHNEIDER	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL
94482	10/20/2020	GREG HOFFMAN	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL
94483	10/20/2020	DEVIN HURSMAN	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL
94484	10/20/2020	LARRY PENGILLY	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL
94485	10/20/2020	VON CHRISTIANSON	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL
94486	10/20/2020	STEVE RATZLAFF	\$115.00	WEED CONTROL

94487	10/20/2020	CARPENTER'S ROCK & GRAVEL CO	\$670.00	WEED CONTROL
94488	10/20/2020	TERRI MACHART	\$211.28	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94489	10/20/2020	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & ABUSE CENTER	\$6,000.00	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94490	10/20/2020	VISA	\$336.55	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94491	10/20/2020	QUINN COUNSELING	\$825.00	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94492	10/20/2020	VISA	\$19.58	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94493	10/20/2020	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$282.70	SOCIAL SERVICES
94494	10/20/2020	PEMBINA CO HIGHWAY DEPT	\$84.70	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94495	10/20/2020	CEDAR INN - CAVALIER	\$258.33	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94496	10/20/2020	JENNIFER PUPPE	\$61.44	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94497	10/20/2020	COUNTRY MEDIA, INC.	\$103.50	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94498	10/20/2020	WALSH COUNTY RECORD	\$513.00	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94499	10/20/2020	LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF ND	\$3,116.75	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94500	10/20/2020	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$592.56	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94501	10/20/2020	CAVALIER CHRONICLE	\$171.85	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94502	10/20/2020	QUILL CORPORATION	\$441.55	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94503	10/20/2020	WALSH COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	\$454.27	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94504	10/20/2020	QUILL CORPORATION	\$83.69	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94505	10/20/2020	TAMMY MCMILLAN	\$274.85	HUMAN SERV. ZONE
94506	10/20/2020	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$33.26	SOCIAL SERVICES
94507	10/20/2020	QUALITY SPECIALTY PRODUCTS & PRINTING	\$9.99	SOCIAL SERVICES
94508	10/20/2020	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$229.18	SOCIAL SERVICES
94509	10/20/2020	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$22.49	SOCIAL SERVICES
94510	10/20/2020	AMERIPRIDE	\$85.54	SOCIAL SERVICES
94511	10/20/2020	LEEVERS FOODS	\$12.75	SOCIAL SERVICES
94512	10/20/2020	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	\$639.38	SOCIAL SERVICES
94513	10/20/2020	LANGDON CITY	\$111.57	SOCIAL SERVICES

The following presented department updates: Greg Fetsch, Sheriff; Karen Kempert, Emergency Manager/911 Coordinator; Shannon Duerr, JDA; Kensi Breyer, Water Board; Anitha Chirumamilla, NDSU Extension; Terry Girodat, Maintenance; and Scott Stewart, State's Attorney.

Jamie Nelson, Computer Express; John Verbek, Tyler Technology; Vicki Kubat, Recorder; Courtney Clouse, Deputy Recorder; joined the meeting to discuss adding a server in the Recorder's Office to house Tyler Technology. Nelson estimated the price of the new serve between \$2,500 and \$3,000 and stated it would need to be updated every 7 to 8 years. Verbeck stated Tyler Technology would charge \$500 to move the Recorder's information to a new server. **David Zeis made a motion to purchase the new server from County General, Non-Departmental, seconded by Austin Lafrenz. A roll call vote was taken with all voting in favor.**

Terry Johnston, Road Supervisor, presented a culvert request from Calio City (Sections 33 and 34) for a rusted-out culvert. **Stanley Dick made a motion to approve the culvert request, seconded by David Zeis, motion carried.** Stanley Dick suggested updating the county's culvert policy to include the rural portions of the small cities in the county, requiring them to levy a certain number of mills, similar to the township requirements.

Johnston asked the commissioners if they wanted to lease John Deere tractors again next year though NDACo/Langdon Implement. The commissioners were in agreement to do so. The commissioners asked Johnston to see if they could possibly get the tractors in May to use while reclaiming the roads.

Snowplow trucks and operators were discussed. No applications had been received yet for the Sarles District. After much discussion on whether or not to purchase a new Western Star truck on state bid, **David Zeis made a motion to purchase the new Western Star truck for \$163,000, seconded by Stanley Dick. A roll call vote was taken: Greg Goodman – no; David Zeis – yes; Stanley Dick – yes; Austin Lafrenz – no; Nick Moser – no. Motion did not pass.** It was decided to keep the truck in Vang, Osnabrock, Sarles. It was decided that Stanley Dick and Terry Johnston would interview for a snowplow driver for the Munich District; and David Zeis and Terry Johnston would interview for a snowplow driver for the Sarles District, if applications are received. Razor tracking was discussed for the snowplow trucks. It was decided to install it on the snowplow trucks.

At 11:57 a.m., Greg Goodman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stanley Dick; motion carried.

*Board of Commissioners
Cavalier County, North Dakota*

Nick Moser – Chairman

Austin Lafrenz – Vice Chairman

Greg Goodman

Stanley Dick

David Zeis

Attest: Lisa Gellner - Auditor