

## Commissioners Proceedings

On July 20, 2021, 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. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Austin Lafrenz called the meeting to order and proceeded as follows:

Lafrenz asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Greg Goodman made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by David Zeis; motion carried. Nick Moser made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Greg Goodman; motion carried.

**Nick Moser made a motion to approve a Game Site Authorization for Langdon Country Club, seconded by Stanley Dick, motion carried. Nick Moser made a motion to approve a Raffle Permit for the Pembina Gorge Foundation, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried.**

Terry Johnston, Road Supervisor, met with the commissioners and provided the month-end roadmen timesheet summary to the commissioners for approval. Johnston informed the commissioners there was a rusted out 24"X50' culvert on County 24 needing to be replaced. Johnston also informed the commissioners that Hay Township had a culvert request approved some time ago for an 84" X 80' culvert that was put in to replace a bridge. Johnston explained that no maintenance agreement was signed with the township when the bridge was replaced, so he suggested the county should cost share the full 80' of culvert. **Stanley Dick made a motion to approve the cost share on the full length of the culvert, seconded by David Zeis, motion carried.**

There was discussion on availability of snowplow trucks after the call for bids was put in the newspaper. It was decided to check on interest rates at Choice Bank, FM Bank, and Horizon Financial for the possible purchase of a snowplow truck.

Terry Jacobson, John Iverson, and Kathy Jordan, on behalf of Soil Conservation met with the commissioners to present their 2022 budget.

Cindy Stremick, Treasurer, gave the commissioners a department update. Stremick also presented the security of pledges to the commissioners. **David Zeis made a motion to approve the security of pledges as follows: Choice Financial – pledge pool of \$2,063,722; Farmers & Merchants State Bank security of pledges of \$9,784,929; and Bank of North Dakota covered under the \$250,000 FDIC insurance, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried.**

The Devils Lake Basin budget was reviewed. **Stanley Dick made a motion to assess \$.07/benefited acre for Devils Lake Basin, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried.**

Karen Kempert, Emergency Manager, met with the commissioners to request they reconsider her salary adjustment requested in her 2022 budget. After discussion with Kempert, it was decided to remove the budget line item to hire an assistant the last quarter of 2022. **David Zeis made a motion to approve the full amount of salary increase Kempert had requested, seconded by Stanley Dick. A roll call vote was taken: Greg Goodman-No; Stanley Dick-No; David Zeis-Yes; Nick Moser-No; Austin Lafrenz-No. Motion failed 4 to 1.**

The commissioners briefly touched on there not being a need for a conditional burn ban at this time.

Greg Fetsch, Sheriff, met with the commissioners and discussed contracting jail services for surrounding counties. The commissioners stated they were in agreement as long as Fetsch is able to provide the services without adding staff and his staff is willing to take on the extra hours, if needed. The commissioners and Fetsch agreed that the surrounding counties will pay all expenses for keeping their prisoners and there would be no additional cost to Cavalier County taxpayers.

Fetsch asked the commissioners to reconsider his full request for salary adjustments for his officers in his 2022 budget. **Greg Goodman made a motion to approve the full request, seconded by David Zeis, motion carried.**

The Joint Powers Agreement with Public Health for the electronic sign was reviewed. **Nick Moser made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Stanley Dick, motion carried.** The commissioners decided to have the Auditor, Deputy Auditor, and Emergency Manager as the county administrators for updating the electronic sign.

**David Zeis made a motion to approve increasing Karen Kempert's salary in the 2022 budget by \$7,900 (rather than \$5,000), seconded by Nick Moser. A roll call vote was taken: Stanley Dick-No; David Zeis-Yes; Nick Moser-No; Greg Goodman-No; Austin Lafrenz-No. Motion failed 4 to 1.**

After much discussion on whether the roadmen should be permitted to routinely take county pickup's home, it was decided to put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Nick Moser made a motion, seconded by David Zeis to review and approve the following audit of claims; motion carried:

96431	CAVALIER COUNTY MVD	\$11.50	SHERIFF
96434	ND STATES ATTORNEY ASSOC	\$300.00	STATE'S ATTY
96435	MAPPING SOLUTIONS	\$1,505.00	MISC
96436	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$22.49	CLERK
96437	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & ABUSE CENTER	\$3,816.28	MISC
96438	LANGDON BLDG. CENTER	\$114.41	CLERK
96439	QUALITY SPECIALTY PRODUCTS & PRINTING	\$40.50	REC
96440	T R WAIND INSURANCE AGENCY	\$1,357.00	MISC
96442	THE SIDWELL COMPANY	\$30.00	TX DIR
96443	CINDY STREMICK	\$157.50	TREAS
96444	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$94.49	MISC
96445	HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC.	\$25,086.19	MAINT
96446	ND DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	\$700.00	MISC
96447	WEST PAYMENT CENTER	\$250.32	STATE'S ATTY
96448	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,356.65	GEN/F-M/R&B/VSO
96449	LANGDON HARDWARE & RENTAL	\$202.52	GEN/F-M/R&B
96450	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$5,103.80	GEN/E-911
96451	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$2,955.41	GEN/R&B
96452	JOHN METZGER	\$36.41	SHERIFF
96453	SPORTS & SHIRTS	\$364.00	DISP
96454	NDPOA	\$240.00	SHERIFF
96455	JOSH PLUMMER	\$250.00	SHERIFF
96456	AT&T MOBILITY	\$614.92	SHERIFF
96457	MUNICH ELEVATOR & OIL CO.	\$66.71	SHERIFF

96458	JOHN METZGER	\$89.05	SHERIFF
96459	JOHN METZGER	\$59.81	SHERIFF
96460	SENIOR MEALS AND SERVICES	\$63.00	SHERIFF
96461	DANIELLE LINDSETH	\$59.48	SHERIFF
96462	JOSH PLUMMER	\$100.00	SHERIFF
96463	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$215.55	SHERIFF
96464	STONE'S MOBILE RADIO, INC.	\$13,342.58	SHERIFF
96465	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$35.49	DISP
96466	MID-CONTINENT CABLE CO.	\$102.24	SHERIFF
96467	CODE 4 SERVICES	\$5,687.20	SHERIFF
96468	HANNAH GARBAGE FUND	\$450.00	R&B
96469	ERLING'S OIL, INC.	\$3,252.74	R&B
96470	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$48.24	R&B
96471	HUSKY MARKETING & SUPPLY	\$17,586.84	F-M
96472	CLOSE CONSTRUCTION	\$951.00	R&B
96473	WITZEL CONSTRUCTION LLC	\$78,268.00	R&B
96474	MUNICH ELEVATOR & OIL CO.	\$52.49	R&B
96475	PHIL WOLD	\$33.59	R&B
96476	BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	\$4,216.77	R&B
96477	CLOSE CONSTRUCTION	\$2,396.69	F-M
96478	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$47.59	EMG MGR
96479	NDTC	\$128.03	E-911
96480	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$18.39	EMG MGR
96481	KJS COMPUTER SERVICES	\$16.45	EMG MGR
96482	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	\$59.21	NDSU EXT.
96483	JANE HAYEN	\$223.30	NDSU EXT.
96484	CAVALIER COUNTY AUDITOR	\$408.14	NDSU EXT.
96485	XEROX CORPORATION	\$230.28	NDSU EXT.
96486	SPORTS & SHIRTS	\$88.50	WEED
96487	DAHL TRUCK & AUTO	\$197.90	WEED
96488	NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS	\$17,794.20	WEED
96489	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$735.25	WEED
96490	FORESTRY SUPPLIERS	\$286.70	WEED
96491	T R WAIND INSURANCE AGENCY	\$16.00	WEED
96492	WARNE CHECMICAL & EQUIPMENT CO	\$596.80	WEED
96493	PREMIUM WATERS, INC.	\$36.49	SS
96494	DACOTAH PAPER CO.	\$51.75	SS
96495	LANGDON CITY	\$111.57	SS
96496	ARAMARK	\$78.13	SS
96497	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	\$248.73	SS
96498	QUILL CORP	\$119.37	SS
96499	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$147.26	SS
96500	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$1,632.59	SS/NVHSZ
96501	S&A, INC.	\$195.00	NVHSZ
96502	VISA	\$1,464.82	SS/NVHSZ
96503	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT.	\$150.55	SS/NVHSZ
96504	VISA	\$392.82	NVHSZ
96505	ASKEW FUNERAL HOMES	\$2,000.00	NVHSZ
96506	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	\$61.21	NVHSZ
96507	SUNRISE YOUTH BUREAU	\$3,180.00	NVHSZ

96508	SECRETARY OF STATE	\$72.00	NVHSZ
96509	LITTLE ADVENTURES DAYCARE	\$1,176.00	NVHSZ
96510	PEMBINA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	\$364.25	NVHSZ
96511	PEMBINA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION	\$10.00	NVHSZ
96512	SUSAN K. (FETSCH) CROCKETT	\$50.89	NVHSZ
96513	JENNIFER PUPPE	\$28.03	NVHSZ
96514	TWILA NOVAK	\$39.20	NVHSZ
96515	TAMMY MCMILLAN	\$470.96	NVHSZ
96516	SERI GERSZEWSKI	\$18.74	NVHSZ
96517	LAVERNE DOYLE	\$50.00	NVHSZ
96518	KAREN ANDERSON	\$50.00	NVHSZ
96519	DAVID J. ZEIS	\$89.20	NVHSZ
96520	AMY KRAM	\$110.48	NVHSZ
96521	TERRI MACHART	\$153.44	NVHSZ
96522	ALISSA PARSONS	\$220.03	NVHSZ
96524	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$567.60	NVHSZ
96525	CONNIE KASTE	\$136.83	NVHSZ
96526	STANLEY DICK	\$48.16	COMM
96527	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & ABUSE CENTER	\$585.62	MISC

At 12:10 p.m., Greg Goodman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stanley Dick; motion carried.

*Board of Commissioners  
Cavalier County, North Dakota*

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Austin Lafrenz – Chairman

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Greg Goodman – Vice Chairman

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Stanley Dick

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David Zeis

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Nick Moser

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Attest: Lisa Gellner - Auditor