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BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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April 4, 2017

9:00 AM

Board of Pembina County Commissioners met at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse with the following members present: James Benjaminson, Laverne Doyle, Nick Rutherford, Hugh Ralston and Hetty Walker.

Chairperson Rutherford called the meeting to order.

Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the March 23, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Andrew Kirking, Emergency Manager, presented a disaster declaration related to the flooding that occurred throughout the County. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Hetty Walker to approve the Disaster Declaration Resolution as follows:

WHEREAS Pembina County has experienced an abnormal amount of precipitation in summer and fall 2016, thus saturating the soil;

WHEREAS average to above average snowfall has impacted the region over the winter of 2016- 2017, thus placing an additional snow load on already saturated soil;

WHEREAS rapid spring snowmelt, ice-jammed and tree-jammed rivers caused melt water to leave riverbanks, causing damage to township, city, and county infrastructure;

WHEREAS township and county budgets have already been greatly depleted due to necessary snow clearing and road repairs are in excess of normal annual budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Pembina County Commissioners do hereby declare a disaster in Pembina County, North Dakota.

DATED at Cavalier, North Dakota, this 4th Day of April, 2017.

/s/ Andrew Kirking
Emergency Manager

/s/ Nick Rutherford
Commission Chair of Pembina County

/s/ Linda Schlittenhard
ATTEST: County Auditor

Roll call vote: Jim Benjaminson – yes; Laverne Doyle – yes; Hugh Ralston – yes; Hetty Walker – yes. Motion carried.

The NDDOT Construction and Maintenance Agreement for County Road #1 from Hwy 32 , east 4 miles, (SC-3410(058)), was reviewed. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Kelly Cluchie, Maintenance, presented an upgrade order agreement from Schindler Elevator Corporation for the elevator at the Law Enforcement Center. The agreement is to replace the existing electromechanical line starters with soft starters. Schindler Elevator Corporation is proposing to provide all labor, material, engineering and supervision required to perform the work for a total cost of \$3,892.00. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Laverne Doyle to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried. Kelly informed the Commission that a new furnace had to be installed on the second floor of the Law Enforcement Center.

Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to approve the consent agenda, consisting of claims and the March payroll, as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Jeanna Kujava, Public Health Director, and Ryan Fischer, a Master of Public Health student at UND, presented a power point related to environmental health and safety in handling and using pesticides. Ryan gave an overview on the dangers, both real and imagined, of pesticide use and strategies that minimize danger. Ryan's goals are to share his findings in public health and policymaking arenas.

Stacie Sevigny, Red River Regional Council, presented a guidelines draft for the Self-Help program. Stacie discussed the criteria, application process, funding recommendations and reimbursement process for the Self-Help program. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Hetty Walker to approve the guidelines as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried. Stacie will forward a final copy for Commission Chair signature.

Doug Olason met to discuss the culvert replacement between Section 31, Township 162N, Range 55W of Advance Township and Section 5, Township 161N, Range 55W of Akra Township. Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent, also present. The site is located at the intersection of 133rd Ave NE and 96th St NE. The site originally had one 42" culvert and one 48" culvert. The 42" culvert was replaced with a 60" culvert. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Hugh Ralston to replace one of the 48" culverts one mile south of this intersection with a 60" culvert. Discussion followed. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Bids were received from the following to furnish Pembina County with a heavy duty single wing mower, with a trade-in of one 14' Land Pride RCM5014 mower:
Butler Machinery Co – 2017 Rhino 14'-\$11,123.78 or 2015 Rhino 14'-\$7,800.00
Cavalier Equipment – Woods 13.5' Extreme Duty Batwing- \$6,500.00
Park River Implement LLC – RCM4614 Land Pride - \$7,690.00
Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to accept the bid of \$6,500.00 from Cavalier Equipment for the extreme duty batwing mower. Roll call vote: Jim Benjaminson – yes; Laverne Doyle – yes; Hugh Ralston – yes; Hetty Walker – yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Terry Meidinger presented a picture of an armored rescue vehicle available at no cost to Pembina County through the Federal Government surplus. The vehicle would be utilized for Pembina, Walsh and Cavalier County emergency situations. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Laverne Doyle to authorize the Sheriff to acquire the vehicle. All voting in favor; motion carried. Terry informed the Commission that the 2017 Dodge pickup, purchased with Stonegarden grant dollars, will be picked up in Bismarck this week.

Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to adjourn the meeting. All voting in favor; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:55AM.