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BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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August 1, 2017

9:00 AM

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

Chairperson Rutherford called the meeting to order.

Motion made by Hetty Walker and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the July 18, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Pembina County Water Board minutes of April 18, 2017 – July 1, 2017 were reviewed.

Jon Markusen, Kadramas, Lee & Jackson, presented an Opinion of Cost for the Stream Bank Restoration of Structure 34-102-07.0 near Walhalla and Structure 34-109-05.0 near Leroy. Jon reviewed the cost estimate and plans with the Commission. Motion made by Laverne Doyle to accept the bid as presented. Second by Hetty Walker. Discussion followed. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Commission reviewed the claims and July payroll. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the consent agenda as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Tim Hartje, Pembina County Fair Board President, updated the Commission on the Pembina County Fair. The 4-H booths have increased dramatically and the new barn was full. The entertainment was great and the carnival was successful. Hamilton Fair will be celebrating the 125th anniversary next year. Tim requested the Commission consider adding an additional ½ mill to the fair budget for 2018.

Culvert request received from Elora Township to replace a damaged culvert between the NW ¼ of Section 1 and the NE ¼ of Section 2 of Elora Township. The application has been signed by two township officers and approved by the Pembina County Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Laverne Doyle to approve the request. Second by Jim Benjaminson. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Culvert request received from Landis McDonald to widen the crossing along County Road #1 in the SE ¼ of Section 4 of Bathgate Township. Application was signed by two township officers and approved by Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to authorize the Chairman to sign the request as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Culvert requests received from Park Township to lengthen a culvert in the SE ¼ of Section 23 and lengthen a culvert in the NE ¼ of Section 26 of Park Township. The applications have been signed by two township officers, approved by the Pembina County Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Hugh Ralston to approve the request. Second by Jim Benjaminson. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage application received from Ron Steinke to clean the ditch bottom at .17 grade, for approximately 1880 feet, along County Road #1 in Section 1 of Advance Township. The application has been approved by the Pembina County Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson to approve the request. Second by Laverne Doyle. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage application received from Mark Stegman to clean the ditch on both sides of County Road #2 between Section 27 and Section 28 of Felson Township. The application was approved by the Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to authorize the Chairman to sign the application as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage application received from Les Puppe to move the approach, due to trees and the steep ditch, along County Road #12 in the SE ¼ of Section 16 of Park Township. The application was signed by the landowner and approved by the Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Laverne Doyle to authorize the Chairman to sign the application as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage application received from Greg Stegman to clean the ditch to the original elevation along County Road #1 in Section 12 of Advance Township. The application was signed by the landowner and approved by the Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Hetty Walker to authorize the Chairman to sign the application as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage application and culvert request received from Greg Stegman to clean the ditch to original elevation and install a culvert for an approach on the south side of County Road #55 in Section 10 of Felson Township. The drainage application has been signed by the landowner, approved by the Pembina County

Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. The culvert request has been signed by two township supervisors, approved by the Water Board and Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson to approve the request. Second by Hugh Ralston. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Devin discussed a bridge in Lincoln Township on County Road #3, 1 mile west and ½ mile south of Interstate 29, located on Drain 66. The bridge was damaged during the spring flooding and the road has been closed. Devin contacted On the Level Construction for an estimate to repair the bridge. The Water Board has agreed to the 60/40 cost share since it is located on a legal drain. Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to proceed with the project. All voting in favor; motion carried.

The Auditor presented the new 5 year rental contract for the folding machine. The old contract expires in December 2017. There is a 15% increase from the previous contract. Motion made by Hetty Walker and seconded by Hugh Ralston to authorize the Auditor to renew the rental contract as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Jim Benjaminson to adjourn the meeting. All voting in favor; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.