

BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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November 16, 2010

9:00 AM

Board of Pembina County Commissioners met at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Courthouse with the following members present: Corene Vaughn, Andy Adamson, Hugh Ralston, Gary Nilsson and Hetty Walker.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Walker.

Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Andy Adamson to approve the November 4, 2010 meeting minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Board reviewed and allowed county claims.

Pembina County Housing Authority Board October 5, 2010 and October 21, 2010 Special Meeting minutes reviewed.

Commission was informed of the 25th Annual Santa Parade which will be held in Cavalier on Saturday, November 27, 2010 at 5:00 pm. Commission will check with Troy Kittelson on having the county truck in the parade.

Rich Margerum has requested permission to clean approximately ¼ mile of ditch along the north side of County Road 55 located in the SW ¼ of Section 6, Township 163N, Range 51W, Pembina Township. Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Andy Adamson to approve the ditch maintenance variance. Commission requested that Mr. Margerum contact Troy Kittelson, Highway Supervisor, regarding the variance. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Liz Beck, IT/GIS/911 Coordinator, met with the Commission to notify them that she must upgrade the 911 mapping software. Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Gary Nilsson to authorize Ms Beck to upgrade the software at a cost of \$3,500.00. Roll call vote: Gary Nilsson-yes; Corene Vaughn-yes; Andy Adamson-yes; Hugh Ralston-yes; and Hetty Walker-yes. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Red River Basin Commission met with the Board. Members from the Pembina, Towner and Cavalier County Water Districts, representatives from the ND State Water Commission, Manitoba Water Stewardship, Pembina Valley Conservation District and NRCS of Pembina County, RM's from Rhineland, Montcalm and Stanley, MB, and Pembina County township officials also present. Lance Yohe, Red River Basin Commission updated officials on the lower Pembina River flooding task team. Gord Bell, AESB/AAFC co-chair, gave a Power Point presentation showing the accomplishments and advances that have been made by the task team since May 2009. Discussion was had on what additional scenarios the officials would like the task team to work on.

Sale of County Property set for 11:00AM:

Bid received on property described as Pt SE1/4 NE1/4 of Sec 13-162-56 in LaMoure Township.

Bid of \$250.00 received from Terry Brown.

Bid received on property described as Pt NW ¼ NW ¼ (Govt Lot 4) of Sec 3-161-54, 200' x 75' in the City of Cavalier.

Bid of \$5,000.00 received from Doug Johnson.

Bid received on property described as Lot 10, Block 2, S 50' x W 120.1' AKA Pt SE ¼ SE ¼ Sec 4-161-54, in the City of Cavalier.

Bid of \$3,000.00 received from Shelly Finnson.

Bid received on property described as Lots 1-3, Block 29, O.T., City of Hamilton.

Bid of \$500.00 received from Joyce Johnston.

Bid received on property described as N 30' Lot 4, Block 2, Jenson's Add, City of Neche.

Bid of \$5,000.00 received from Loren Paul.

Bid received on property described as S 50' Lot 5, Block 2, Jenson's Add, City of Neche.

Bid of \$1,500.00 received from Loren Paul.

Bid received on property described as S 75' Lot 2, Block 2, Jenson's Add, City of Neche.

Bid of \$1,000.00 received from Loren Paul.

Bid received on property described as N 25' Lot 2, Block 2, Jenson's Add, City of Neche.

Bid of \$300.00 received from Loren Paul.

Bid received on property described as E 40' Lot 6, Block 20, O.T., City of Walhalla.

Bid of \$1,000.00 received from Pat Hardy.

Bid received on property described as N 20' of S 90' of Lot 12, Block 39, O.T., (20' x 50'), City of Walhalla.

Bid of \$2,700.00 received from Duane Balsdon.

Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Hugh Ralston to accept the high bids as listed above for the above described properties. All voting in favor; motion carried.

A request was received from Jeff Anderson to do ditch maintenance in Section 9, Township 160, Range 55 in Park Township, on the north side of County Road 3. Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Andy Adamson to approve the ditch variance as requested. All voting in favor; motion carried.

A request was received from Glen Millar to remove a 60' section of the dike between the highway ditch and field, down to field height, in the NW ¼ of Section 12, Township 163 & 164N, Range 55W, of St Joseph Township, on the south side of County Road 55. Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the ditch variance as requested. All voting in favor; motion carried.

A request was received from Allen Anderson for a culvert change in the SE ¼ of Section 8, Township 161, Range 53 in Hamilton Township. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Andy Adamson to make a decision on the culvert request by Allen Anderson in the spring of 2011 since Mr. Anderson does not plan on doing the work until next year. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Application for abatement on property described as Lot 22, The Pines, Parcel 27-6970031. Requesting a reduction in valuation from \$210,000.00 to \$164,067.00 for a difference of \$45,933.00. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Corene Vaughn to accept the application as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Application for abatement on property described as Lot 6, McKechnie's 2nd Add, City of Cavalier, Parcel 27-4700060. Requesting a reduction in valuation from \$138,208.00 to \$123,000.00 for a difference of \$15,208.00. Motion made by Andy Adamson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to lower the assessed value from \$138,000.00 to \$130,000.00 for a difference of \$8,208.00. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Ms. Doyle presented the omitted property report for 2010. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Andy Adamson to approve the assessed values as presented by Ms. Doyle. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Sally Kliniske, Director for Pembina County Meals and Transportation, met with the Commission to update them on the programs that are offered, which include Senior Meals and the Outreach Program. There is also a Title III Older Americans Act Health Maintenance Program that is managed by Altru Diabetes Center in Cavalier which is held monthly at each Senior Citizen's Center in the county. Pembina County Public Transportation program aide's residents of all ages for several different needs; medical appointments, shopping, work, social outings and many other transit needs. Ms. Kliniske requested the Commission to assist in funding for the match that is needed for the new transportation bus, to spread the word about the services that are provided, talk to local legislators regarding an increase in the meal program funding, to consider funding for the public transportation program and would like to have Commission representation on their newly formed Board.

Kelly Brown met with the Commission to discuss a ditch cleaning variance in Sections 8 & 9, Township 162N, Range 52W, of North Carlisle Township, on the west side of County Road 4. Motion made by Corene Vaughn and seconded by Gary Nilsson to approve the ditch variance request as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

The four bids received on the 1999 Chevy Tahoe were opened. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to accept the high bid of \$1,857.00 from John Corneillie. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Troy Kittelson, Highway Supervisor, met with the Commission. Discussion was had concerning County Road 3 and the O'Hara Bridge. Troy updated the Commission on County infrastructure. Troy reported that he gave Al Morrison approval to remove two approaches on the west side of County Road 12. Alexandria Gravel, a Minnesota based company, has requested to use County Road 7 as a haul road. Approval given by Troy, with the understanding Alexandria Gravel will reimburse the County for any damage. The County will do a haul road inspection prior to project start and upon completion. On the Level Construction will begin work on Bridge 34-128-18.

No further business; meeting adjourned.