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## BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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March 5, 2019

8:30 AM

Board of Pembina County Commissioners met at 8:30 AM in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse with the following members present: Laverne Doyle, Nick Rutherford, Hugh Ralston and Hetty Walker. Absent: Jim Benjaminson.

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order. Agenda accepted as presented.

Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the February 20, 2019 minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Request for a raffle permit received from St Joseph's Preservation Society. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the request. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Commission reviewed the January financial statement, February payroll and claims. Motion made by Nick Rutherford and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the consent agenda as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Liz Beck, IT/911/GIS Coordinator, informed the Commission that Pembina County has introduced Text-to-911 service in all communities within the county. It is an alternative to dialing an emergency call. The Pembina County 911 Dispatch Center can now receive and reply to text to 911 messages but they cannot initiate a text message conversation. Liz updated the Commission on the Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN). The contract was awarded and signed in January 2019, which will provide a single unified statewide system. This is a multi-phase project, but adequate funding for the project resides in HB 1021 and HB 1435. Both bills are needed to fund this essential project. Liz informed the Commission that she is the 2020 Census liaison for Pembina County townships and smaller cities. Cavalier City and Drayton City submit their own information. With the refined address points in the 911 system, it is much simpler for Liz to submit the requested information electronically. Liz has no major projects planned for this year.

Josh Heuchert, Water Board Vice-Chair, informed the Commission the snagging and clearing project is nearing completion for this year. Paul Gunderson also in

attendance. Discussion followed on SB 2139, which would allow additional funding for snagging and clearing projects and HB 1514, drain tile permit legislation, which was defeated. Josh requested the Commission visit with local representatives about the importance of passing SB 2139. There are no big projects planned for the upcoming year, just repairs on dams.

Motion by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Laverne Doyle to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:20AM.