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BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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October 3, 2017

3:00 PM

Board of Pembina County Commissioners met at 3:00 PM 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.

Commissioner Benjaminson requested the Board take a few minutes to acknowledge the devastation that occurred in Las Vegas.

Motion made by Laverne Doyle and seconded by Hetty Walker to approve the September 19, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Commission discussed the appointment of a North Dakota State Fair Delegate. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Hetty Walker to nominate Samantha Lahman as the North Dakota State Fair delegate for 2018. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Commission reviewed the 2018 preliminary budget. Discussion followed on increases in the County General funds and the shortfall caused by the State taking over Social Service funding and also discontinuing the 12% State Paid credit. Motion made by Jim Benjaminson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the 2018 preliminary budget as presented. When using the formula mandated by the State, this results in an 11.13% or 8.02 mill levy increase for tax year 2017, however, County mills for the 2017 tax year will be 83.79 mills compared to 90.32 mills for tax year 2016. Roll call vote: Jim Benjaminson – yes; Laverne Doyle – yes; Hugh Ralston – yes; Hetty Walker – yes. Motion carried.

Commission reviewed the listing of foreclosed property. Discussion followed on appraised values for the properties. Hearing has been set for 10:00AM on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

Devin Johnson, Highway Superintendent, discussed the NDDOT 2018-2022 County Federal Aid Program. Devin discussed proposed changes to the projects. Proposed changes will be discussed with the North Dakota Department of Transportation during the NDACo conference next week.

Terry Meidinger, Sheriff, presented an agreement between Grand Forks County and Pembina County for housing of inmates when Pembina County does not have sufficient space. The cost will be \$75.00 per day for each prisoner confined in the Grand Forks County Correctional Center. 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.

Sheriff Meidinger presented NDDOT Traffic Safety Contract No. 12171381, for underage drinking, impaired driving, and, Click it or Ticket. Motion made by Hetty Walker and seconded by Laverne Doyle to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Shari Hanson, Aflac representative, met with the Commission to discuss the pre-tax plan savings. Shari reviewed several policies available through Aflac and the new meMD option available to all County personnel. Shari will return Thursday, October 12, 2017 to meet with those employees that have not completed their paperwork.

Commission reviewed the claims and September payroll. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Laverne Doyle to approve the consent agenda 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 5:00PM.