BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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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: Corene Vaughn, Gary Nilsson, Hetty Walker and Hugh Ralston. Absent was Andy Adamson.

Chairman Vaughn called the meeting to order. Additions to the agenda included discussion related to County Road 55. Commissioner Vaughn noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Motion made by Hetty Walker and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the August 16, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Request received from Chizzy's to transfer his liquor license to the Leroy Hall on Saturday, September 17, 2011. Motion made by Hetty Walker and seconded by Gary Nilsson to approve the transfer as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Raffle permit request received from Svold Community Hall. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the permit request as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Raffle permit request received from St Joseph Preservation Society. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Gary Nilsson to approve the permit request as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Culvert request received from Russell Edgar to install a culvert between the NE corner of Section 9 and NW corner of Section 10 in North Carlisle Township. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the request as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Commission was informed of a request to purchase a foreclosed property in St Thomas City. Commission will have to reappraise the property for the November 2011 sale. Auditor will contact the interested party.

Drainage permits received from Johnson Farms to clean the ditches along County Road 55 in the the following areas; SW¼ of Section 2 of Neche Township, E½ SW¼ of Section 2 and the NE¼ of Section 10 in Felson Township, SW¼ of Section 3, NW¼ of Section 11 and the SW¼ of Section 2 in Walhalla Township, and the NE¼ of Section 10 and the SE¼ of Section 3 in St Joseph Township. Troy Kittelson. Highway Supervisor,

inspected the sights and approved the request. Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Hugh Ralston to approve the permits as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Drainage permits received from Vivatson Farms to clean ditches along County Road 1 in the SE¼ of Section 5 and the SW¼ of Section 4 in North Cavalier Township and to clean ditches along County Road 2 in the NE¼ of Section 16 in North Cavalier Township. Troy Kittelson, Highway Supervisor, inspected the sights and approved the request. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Gary Nilsson to approve the permits as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Lyle Johnson, Johnson Farms, met with the Commission to discuss the Laidlaw Bridge between Sections 33 and 34 of Walhalla Township. Troy Kittelson, Highway Supervisor, also present. Mr. Johnson is requesting that the bridge be repaired or replaced with culverts. Discussion followed. The bridge was damaged in 2008 when a tractor, pulling a grain cart, belonging to Johnson Farms crossed with too heavy a load. Mr. Johnson agrees that the tractor should not have crossed the bridge. Commission requested Mr. Johnson contact his insurance company for payment of the damage to the bridge. Troy Kittelson will check into options of replacing with culverts as opposed to repairing the bridge.

Commissioner Nilsson was contacted about a drainage problem along County Road 55 in Section 11 of St Joseph Township. Discussion followed. Troy Kittelson will see what can be done to aid in the drainage and report back.

Motion made by Gary Nilsson and seconded by Hetty Walker to approve the consent agenda of claims and the August payroll as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Officer Steve Gilpin, Grand Forks Task Force, met with the Commission to give them an overview of his job duties. Brian Erovick, Pembina County Sheriff, also present. The Task Force covers Grand Forks, Walsh and Pembina Counties. Discussion followed. The Commission thanked Mr. Gilpin for meeting with them.

Sheriff Erovick presented the Traffic Safety Contract for signature. Motion made by Hugh Ralston and seconded by Gary Nilsson to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Robert Fleming, Water Board Attorney, requested Sheriff Erovick serve the Commission with appeal papers regarding the decision to not install a culvert under County Road 3.

No further business; meeting adjourned.