

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. in the Emergency/Community Room, Mountrail County Courthouse, Stanley ND with Commissioners Trudy Ruland, Wayne Olson, Joan Hollekim, John DeGroot and Jason Rice present. State's Attorney, Wade Enget was present.

Chairman Ruland called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. BUSINESS

A. AGENDA

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to review and approve the agenda as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

B. MINUTES

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2026 meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

C. FEES

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the September, October & November 2025 Fees for Planning & Zoning & October, November & December 2025 Fees for Recorder and January Fees for Clerk of Court & Sheriff. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Olson, Ruland, DeGroot and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

D. PAYROLL

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the appointed officials time off requests for January. Upon roll call, Rice, Hollekim, Olson, Ruland and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the Regular Part time Employee Classification for Eli Rushing as a Correctional Officer I with Corrections in the amount of \$28.61 per hour not to exceed 32 hrs. per week and no more than 1664 hrs. per year. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Hollekim, Rice, Olson and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the Regular Part time Employee Classification for Joshua Rushing as a Correctional Officer I with Corrections in the amount of \$28.61 per hour not to exceed 20 hrs. per week and no more than 1040 hrs. per year. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, DeGroot, Hollekim and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the Regular Full time Employee Classification for Gisel Guerrero as a Correctional Officer I with Corrections in the amount of \$28.61 per hour/\$59,500 per year. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, DeGroot and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the Regular Full time Employee Classification for Lillian McFadden as a Weed Control Technician/GIS Specialist with the County Ag Agency/Weed Control in the amount of \$28.99 per hour/\$60,300 per year. Upon roll call, Olson, Ruland, Rice, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the Regular Full time Employee Classification for Steven Kukowski as a Roadworker I with the R&B in the amount of \$32.21 per hour/\$67,000 per year. Upon roll call, Hollekim, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the signing of the appointed official's evaluations for the 2025 year. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

E. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the 2026 Budget Amendments from the General Fund under Social Security, Retirement, & Medicare to breakdown under each Department under Social Security, Retirement & Medicare (with no increase or change in the budget amount). Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, DeGroot and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

F. TRANSFER

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the transfer from the Capital Projects (Memorial Building Fund) to the General Fund totaling \$1,110,664.70. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Hollekim, Ruland, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

G. CLERK OF COURT

Madison Rodgers, Clerk of Court stated would like to stay contracted with the State of ND for Clerk of Court Services.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the letter of contracting for funding with the State of ND to receive reimbursement for Clerk of Court Services. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, Hollekim, DeGroot and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

H. STOPPAYMENT

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the stop payment and reissue of check #121309 to Thomas Y Pickett, Inc totaling \$28,800. Upon roll call, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

I. MINERAL LEASE

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the signing of the Hess lease for section 36, Lots 2-4 in Block 1 of Comfords Fifth Addition in the City of White Earth in Township 157 North, Range 94 West. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

J. BILLS

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the bills totaling \$421,503.57 & January 18 through January 31 payroll, checks #20187-20192 and direct deposits #1-162 totaling \$591,804.95. Upon roll call, Olson, DeGroot, Hollekim, Ruland and Rice voted yes. Motion carried. (A complete list of bills is posted on a regular basis on the Mountrail County website @ www.co.mountrail.nd.us under the County Commissioner heading and/or are available for review in the Auditor’s Office during normal business hours).

APPROVED 02/17/2026 - PAYMENT 02/17/2026

<u>WARRANT#</u>	<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$7.69
0	ND ENVELOPE COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$327.15
0	GLOBAL SAFETY NETWORK, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$144.06
121375	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY TREASURER	GENERAL FUND	\$618.87
0	ND ENVELOPE COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$525.75
0	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PUBLISHING CORP.	GENERAL FUND	\$225.30
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$198.45
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$245.98
0	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS_49	GENERAL FUND	\$354.91
0	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	GENERAL FUND	\$123.10
0	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$156.73
0	ND ENVELOPE COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$1,225.00
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$150.40
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$133.35
121363	COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	GENERAL FUND	\$3,776.00
0	INFORMATION SYSTEMS CORP	GENERAL FUND	\$270.00
0	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	GENERAL FUND	\$6,101.97
0	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES_2566	GENERAL FUND	\$3,600.00
0	THE SIDWELL COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$1,105.00
0	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$525.00
0	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$157.50
121361	CITY OF STANLEY	GENERAL FUND	\$397.65
121361	CITY OF STANLEY	GENERAL FUND	\$46.25
121361	CITY OF STANLEY	GENERAL FUND	\$50.31

121361	CITY OF STANLEY	GENERAL FUND	\$156.90
121378	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$48.32
121378	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$757.32
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$2,368.06
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$44.34
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$177.36
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$1,015.25
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$130.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$197.34
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$98.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$23.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$23.00
0	VERIZON WIRELESS	GENERAL FUND	\$39.23
0	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$39.18
0	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	GENERAL FUND	\$2,425.16
0	WIR3D ELECTRIC INC.	GENERAL FUND	\$2,840.50
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	GENERAL FUND	\$15.00
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$148.60
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$148.60
0	MENARDS - MINOT	GENERAL FUND	\$19.95
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$143.70
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$139.70
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$139.70
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$139.70
0	MENARDS - MINOT	GENERAL FUND	\$19.88
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	GENERAL FUND	\$106.98
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	GENERAL FUND	\$232.24
0	VESTIS	GENERAL FUND	\$85.51
0	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$347.19
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$229.15
0	MENARDS - MINOT	GENERAL FUND	\$222.97
0	MENARDS - MINOT	GENERAL FUND	\$109.17
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	GENERAL FUND	\$390.54
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$10.07
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$18.03
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$35.94
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$67.80
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$68.00
0	MEIERS OIL INC	GENERAL FUND	\$64.31
0	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES_2566	GENERAL FUND	\$189.00
0	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES_2566	GENERAL FUND	\$126.00
121374	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER	GENERAL FUND	\$998.90
121380	PURCHASE POWER_3110	GENERAL FUND	\$1,388.64
121381	QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC	GENERAL FUND	\$707.00
121382	QUADIENT, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$126.00
0	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$474.80
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$36.68
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$38.08
121383	QUALITY MEATS & SEAFOOD	GENERAL FUND	\$778.23
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$139.37
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$64.66
0	CARD SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$98.18
0	CARD SERVICES	GENERAL FUND	\$63.92
0	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	GENERAL FUND	\$216.40
121365	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WILTON	GENERAL FUND	\$40.18
121391	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	GENERAL FUND	\$966.77
121391	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	GENERAL FUND	\$115.69
0	ENERBASE	GENERAL FUND	\$1,831.15
0	ENERBASE	GENERAL FUND	\$445.12

0	PINNACLE	GENERAL FUND	\$4,235.90
0	PINNACLE	GENERAL FUND	-\$290.22
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$305.89
121376	NDCCAA	GENERAL FUND	\$100.00
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$305.73
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$276.50
121373	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER	GENERAL FUND	\$400.00
0	DAKOTA DRUG CO	GENERAL FUND	\$63.95
0	UPPER MISSOURI DIST HEALTH UNIT	GENERAL FUND	\$130.00
0	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	GENERAL FUND	\$3,292.01
0	GUERRERO, GISEL J	GENERAL FUND	\$94.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$272.48
0	SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$915.99
0	PINNACLE	GENERAL FUND	\$120.62
0	RULAND, TRUDY	GENERAL FUND	\$58.00
0	SORENSEN, CHARLIE R	GENERAL FUND	\$29.00
0	TOMJACK, CAMERON	GENERAL FUND	\$52.93
121384	RTC NETWORKS	GENERAL FUND	\$4.87
0	VERIZON WIRELESS	GENERAL FUND	\$39.04
0	SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$273.78
0	SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC	GENERAL FUND	\$4,728.78
121374	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER	GENERAL FUND	\$619.20
121371	MARTIN CONSTRUCTION INC	ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$17,396.67
0	CENTRAL SPECIALTIES, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$38,983.69
121367	HDR ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$9,213.75
121367	HDR ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$25,606.35
121367	HDR ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$39,932.07
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$5,195.85
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28,244.10
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$11,155.15
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,758.54
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$488.36
121386	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,300.60
0	D & L CONSTRUCTION, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$9,925.00
0	D & L CONSTRUCTION, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,595.00
121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$218.80
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121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$40.60
0	BRAAFLAT, MICHAEL C	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28.00
0	DUERRE, SCOTT O	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28.00
0	OLSON, BRAYDEN L	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28.00
0	OLSON, JESSIE L	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28.00
121393	WASTE MANAGEMENT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$99.92
121384	RTC NETWORKS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$73.57
121384	RTC NETWORKS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$114.50
0	VERIZON WIRELESS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$274.96
0	SUNDRE SAND & GRAVEL, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$27,583.86
0	SUNDRE SAND & GRAVEL, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$21,245.26
0	SUNDRE SAND & GRAVEL, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$852.43
0	SUNDRE SAND & GRAVEL, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$5,265.14
121370	LOWE'S PRINTING INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$25.95
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$38.09
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$51.03
121388	STAPLES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$44.34
0	ND ENVELOPE COMPANY	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$828.51
121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$81.84
121385	RUNNING SUPPLY, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$251.72

121391	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$755.69
121391	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$718.68
0	ENERBASE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$3,290.16
0	ENERBASE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$7,126.77
0	ENERBASE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$453.34
0	ENERBASE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$3,385.20
0	PINNACLE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$11,062.47
0	PINNACLE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$9,714.47
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$288.55
121362	CNH INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNTS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$941.05
121364	DAKOTALAND AUTOGLASS,INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$500.00
121366	FASTENAL COMPANY	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$866.40
121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$14.30
121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$28.32
121385	RUNNING SUPPLY, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$69.93
121387	SPOKELY HD	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$2,400.00
121389	TIOGA MACHINE SHOP INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$3,301.01
121390	TITAN MACHINERY	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$3,143.90
121390	TITAN MACHINERY	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$56.40
121394	WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$91.54
121394	WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$17,509.25
0	ACME TOOLS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$31.96
0	ACME TOOLS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$52.59
0	DAKOTA FLUID POWER, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$896.62
0	DAKOTA TRUCK & FARM SERVICE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$381.60
0	ENERBASE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$377.47
0	GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$44.00
0	GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$26.14
0	GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$58.54
0	GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$588.42
0	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL LLC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$107.48
0	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL LLC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$740.59
0	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$7.99
0	OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY OF MINOT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$714.00
0	PINNACLE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$10.89
0	PINNACLE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$66.92
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,583.74
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,635.80
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	-\$351.60
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,020.36
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$2,149.65
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$5,911.49
0	RDO EQUIPMENT CO	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$1,464.84
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$22.60
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$68.82
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$16.68
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$445.05
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$54.99
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$220.45
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$199.00
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$169.00
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$31.06
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$59.98
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$243.99
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$39.98
121368	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$78.74
0	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$211.20
0	OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY OF MINOT	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$792.00
0	STANLEY HARDWARE	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$18.99

0	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$84.56
0	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$15.23
121392	VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$956.01
121374	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$189.00
0	ACME TOOLS	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$764.49
121391	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$248.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$30.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$170.34
121384	RTC NETWORKS	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$11.95
121384	RTC NETWORKS	COUNTY PARK FUND	\$325.00
0	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	E-911 FUND	\$670.00
0	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	E-911 FUND	\$2,123.80
121369	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	E-911 FUND	\$6.86
0	STANLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING	VETERAN'S FUND	\$650.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	EXTENSION AGENT FUND	\$36.68
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	EXTENSION AGENT FUND	\$38.09
121360	BISMARCK HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$218.00
121384	RTC NETWORKS	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$36.69
121377	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$38.09
121361	CITY OF STANLEY	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$46.25
121370	LOWE'S PRINTING INC	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$61.95
121379	PINNACLE-AGRONOMY DEPARTMENT	WEED CONTROL FUND	\$9,900.00
121372	MOUNTRAIL CO ROAD DEPART	UNORGANIZED TWP 150-92	\$275.00
121372	MOUNTRAIL CO ROAD DEPART	UNORGANIZED TWP 152-93	\$1,862.50
121372	MOUNTRAIL CO ROAD DEPART	UNORGANIZED TWP 153-93	\$1,925.00
121372	MOUNTRAIL CO ROAD DEPART	UNORGANIZED TWP 154-94	\$3,437.50
121372	MOUNTRAIL CO ROAD DEPART	UNORGANIZED TWP 155-94	\$4,193.75
GRAND TOTAL			\$421,503.57

K. BOARD CONCERNS

Discussion was held on the Employee Handbook and the changes. More discussion will be held at the next commissioner meeting.

3. APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULED

9:15 A.M.

Jessica Niemitalo, Treasurer met with the board to discuss the renewal of certificate of deposits (CD's) of three for \$5 million, one for \$3,821,552.87 and one for \$10 million.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the renewal of certificate of deposits (CD's) for 3 for \$5 million, one for \$3,821,552.87 and one for \$10 million with Cornerstone Bank at 3 months. Upon roll call, Hollekim, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

9:20 A.M.

Lisa Lapica, Veterans Service Officer discussed the Wall of Honor in the Memorial Building.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the purchase of the TV for the Wall of Honor in the Memorial Building totaling \$1,500 out of the Commissioner Contingency Fund. Upon roll call, Hollekim, DeGroot, Rice, Ruland and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

9:30 A.M.

Jana Hennessy, Road & Bridge (R&B) Engineer with Mary Omar, Road & Bridge (R&B) Accountant met to discuss Road & Bridge.

1. BR11408 COTTONWOOD LAKE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the balancing change order #2 for Martin Construction Inc with a decrease totaling \$3,178.50 for Cottonwood Lake Structure Replacement Project No. BR11408. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the final pay application for Martin Construction Inc. totaling \$17,396.67 for Cottonwood Lake Structure Replacement Project No. BR11408. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Rice, Hollekim, Ruland and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

2. BNSF REQUEST

Engineer Hennessy discussed the request from BNSF for cost sharing on 81st Ave NW, 3rd St W and 93rd Ave NW to replace the tracks. Engineer Hennessy discussed the historical aspects of upgrading the roads that affect BNSF railroads and we are to pay 100% of the project for the road upgrades.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to deny the request from BNSF for cost sharing on 81st Ave NW, 3rd St W and 93rd Ave NW projects. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

3. 2026 FROST LAW

Accountant Omar discussed the 2026 frost law recommendations.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the 2026 Frost law as recommended by Engineer Hennessy with Agriculture exemptions for all paved roads within the County. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Comm. Ruland along with Accountant Omar discussed the new policies with the Load Pass Permits.

4. WESTERN NDDOT LIAISON

Matt Johnson, Western NDDOT Liaison with Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI) and North Dakota Local Technical Assistance Program (NDLTAP) discussed the Road Scholars Program. Matt Johnson presented the road scholars program for level three Road Pro award to Jana Hennessy, Engineer, level one Trail Blazer award to Kevin Blank, Roadworker & level two Voyager award was presented to Jessie Olson, Roadworker at the Road Conference in Grand Forks. Western NDDOT Liaison Johnson discussed the save the date for the Western ND Energy Roundtable discussion at Roughrider Center on Thursday, May 7, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one had any comments.

5. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 10:22 A.M. to meet in regular session on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. Accepted and approved this 3rd day of March, 2026.

Trudy Ruland, Chairman

Mountrail County Commissioner

Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Auditor