

Proceedings of the Mountrail County Commissioners

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. in the Emergency/Community Room, Mountrail County Courthouse, Stanley ND with Commissioners Joan Hollekim, Jason Rice, Wayne Olson, Trudy Ruland, and Daniel Uran present. Also present was State's Attorney, Wade Enget.

Chairman Ruland called the meeting to order.

2. BUSINESS

A. AGENDA

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

B. MINUTES

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2022 meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2022 special meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

C. FEES

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the May fees for the Sheriff's Office. Upon roll call, Rice, Ruland, Uran, Hollekim and Olson voted yes. Motion carried. (A complete list of fees is available for review in the Auditor's Office during normal business hours).

D. PAYROLL

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the sick/vacation leave for appointed officials for period 4/10/2022 to 5/14/2022. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Ruland, Rice, Uran and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the temporary employee classification for Becky Jungemann as a seasonal Weed Sprayer in the amount of \$24.259 per hour not to exceed 50 hours per week and also no more than 1000 hours per year from May 2022 to September 2022. Upon roll call, Ruland, Hollekim, Rice, Uran and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the temporary employee classification for Jack Wilhelmi as a seasonal Weed Sprayer in the amount of \$24.745 per hour not to exceed 50 hours per week and also no more than 1000 hours per year from May 2022 to September 2022. Upon roll call, Rice, Ruland, Uran, Hollekim and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

E. ROAD MILEAGE

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the 2022 Road Mileage certification for all townships. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Rice, Ruland, Olson and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

F. ND RWIP

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the resolution of support for the ND Regional Workforce Impact Program application with the Souris Basin Planning Council. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

G. BILLS

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the bills totaling \$629,622.24. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Ruland, Uran, Rice and Olson 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](http://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).

<u>Warrant #</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Warrant Total</u>
104234	A&W TOWING & RECOVERY, INC. GENERAL FUND	500.00 500.00
104235	ACME TOOLS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	21.96 21.96
104236	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS GENERAL FUND	3,734.48 3,734.48
104237	AMERICAN WORKING DOGS, INC GENERAL FUND	150.00 150.00
104238	ANDERSON/CONSTANCE GENERAL FUND	385.58 385.58
104239	ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	179.03 179.03
104240	ARC GENERAL FUND	404.46 404.46
104241	ARMOR INTERACTIVE GENERAL FUND DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND	8,795.30 8,255.30 540.00
104242	ARTHUR SOLIE POST 121 GENERAL FUND	450.00 450.00
104243	BABBITT/KAREN GENERAL FUND	297.02 297.02
104244	BC6 BUILDERS COUNTY PARKS FUND	298.00 298.00
104245	BLAKENSHIP/BREEANN GENERAL FUND	315.48 315.48
104246	BLUE TARP FINANCIAL, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	63.00 63.00
104247	BLUE/SHAWNDA GENERAL FUND	72.10 72.10
104248	BORDER PLAINS EQUIPMENT LLC. COUNTY PARKS FUND	446.97 446.97
104249	BREWER/MIKE GENERAL FUND	352.12 352.12
104250	BRUCE/CHERYL GENERAL FUND	350.95 350.95
104251	CARD SERVICES WEED CONTROL FUND	43.19 43.19
104252	CHARM-TEX, INC. GENERAL FUND	500.10 500.10
104253	CITY OF NEW TOWN COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	52.00 52.00
104254	COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY GENERAL FUND	3,920.00 3,920.00
104255	CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING COUNTY PARKS FUND	176.50 176.50
104256	D & L CONSTRUCTION, INC	45,199.79

	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	45,199.79
104257	DAKOTA DRUG CO GENERAL FUND	256.74 256.74
104258	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC GENERAL FUND	228.95 228.95
104259	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, INC. WEED CONTROL FUND	1,213.73 1,213.73
104260	DAKOTA PRAIRIE VETERINARY SERVICE GENERAL FUND	288.79 288.79
104261	EDWARDS/ROLENE GENERAL FUND	357.33 357.33
104262	ELECTRO WATCHMAN, INC GENERAL FUND	1,765.00 1,765.00
104263	ENERBASE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	24,966.42 1,923.25 23,043.17
104264	ENGET/BRITTA GENERAL FUND	65.10 65.10
104265	ENNIS/JANELL GENERAL FUND	307.55 307.55
104266	ENVIROTECH SERVICES, INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	205,782.05 205,782.05
104267	ERICKSON/BETTY GENERAL FUND	346.80 346.80
104268	EVENSVOLD/KENDRA GENERAL FUND	307.55 307.55
104269	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WILTON GENERAL FUND	65.24 65.24
104270	FEIRING/CEYLON GENERAL FUND	367.44 367.44
104271	FEIRING/DOROTHY GENERAL FUND	356.91 356.91
104272	FELDMAN/ROCHELLE GENERAL FUND	315.74 315.74
104273	FIRST DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT COUNTY PARKS FUND	75.00 75.00
104274	FRITEL CONSTRUCTION, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	25,343.61 25,343.61
104275	FRITEL/LARRY COUNTY PARKS FUND	225.00 225.00
104276	GALLS-QUARTERMASTER GENERAL FUND	50.16 50.16
104277	GLOBAL SAFETY NETWORK, INC GENERAL FUND	94.00 94.00
104278	GOEDEKEN/DEIDRE GENERAL FUND	376.05 376.05
104279	GRAPHICS, LETTERING & TRIM GENERAL FUND	585.00 585.00

104280	HANSON/MARIANNE GENERAL FUND	330.00 330.00
104281	HDR ENGINEERING, INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS	4,978.75 4,978.75
104282	HEGGEN EQUIPMENT INC COUNTY PARKS FUND	12,100.00 12,100.00
104283	HOLLAND/LORI GENERAL FUND	308.46 308.46
104284	HOME OF ECONOMY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	145.89 145.89
104285	HOVDA/LINDA GENERAL FUND	353.88 353.88
104286	HOVDA/RICK GENERAL FUND	427.75 427.75
104287	HYNEK/AMANDA GENERAL FUND	315.10 315.10
104288	HYSJULIEN/CAMMI GENERAL FUND	315.00 315.00
104289	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT GENERAL FUND E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	6,740.77 3,300.23 3,440.54
104290	JARMIN/DEANN GENERAL FUND	330.00 330.00
104291	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	476.85 323.41 153.44
104292	JOHNSON/CAROL GENERAL FUND	319.78 319.78
104293	JOHNSON/KATHLEEN GENERAL FUND	492.85 492.85
104294	JOHNSON/LAURIE GENERAL FUND	59.99 59.99
104295	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	4,696.61 2,837.92 1.98 13.65 1,843.06
104296	JUNG/HAYLEY GENERAL FUND	320.74 320.74
104297	JUNGEMANN/MARLO WEED CONTROL FUND	86.11 86.11
104298	KOENIG/KAYLA GENERAL FUND	434.88 434.88
104299	KOESTER/ALI GENERAL FUND	309.95 309.95
104300	KOHLER COMMUNICATIONS INC GENERAL FUND	3,967.70 3,967.70
104301	KRONOS SAASHR INC GENERAL FUND	733.38 733.38

104302	LA QUINTA INN & SUITES GENERAL FUND	172.80 172.80
104303	LIGHT AND SIREN COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	175.00 175.00
104304	LIGHT HOUSE TRADES, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	27.00 27.00
104305	LOWE'S PRINTING INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND	385.80 38.95 346.85
104306	LUND/BREANN GENERAL FUND	344.46 344.46
104307	LUND/DEBBIE GENERAL FUND	324.25 324.25
104308	MARQUART/ ANDREW S. GENERAL FUND	288.00 288.00
104309	MATHSON/KAY GENERAL FUND	377.44 377.44
104310	MEDUNA/DEBBIE GENERAL FUND	400.31 400.31
104311	MEHUS/CAROL GENERAL FUND	315.00 315.00
104312	MELL/SHARON GENERAL FUND	344.25 344.25
104313	MENARDS - MINOT GENERAL FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND	471.76 100.46 371.30
104314	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY HEALTH CENTER GENERAL FUND	400.00 400.00
104315	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	2,051.45 2,051.45
104316	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES GENERAL FUND	441.00 441.00
104317	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	185.43 185.43
104318	NDDHS FISCAL ADMINISTRATION GENERAL FUND	768.00 768.00
104319	NEETHER/MONICA GENERAL FUND	329.25 329.25
104320	NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,542.90 3,542.90
104321	NORTH AMERICAN TRAILER SALES, LTD COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	770.98 770.98
104322	NORTH COUNTRY SPORTSWEAR INC GENERAL FUND	145.00 145.00
104323	NORTHERN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY INC GENERAL FUND	5,301.04 5,301.04
104324	NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOP E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	129.00 129.00

104325	NORTHWEST TIRE INC WEED CONTROL FUND	2,017.84 2,017.84
104326	NORTHWEST WATER WELL SERVICES COUNTY PARKS FUND	1,671.00 1,671.00
104327	NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS WEED CONTROL FUND	1,956.80 1,956.80
104328	ODEGAARD/BRODIE GENERAL FUND	277.02 277.02
104329	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	741.37 559.96 38.99 122.93 19.49
104330	PEARL VALLEY OILFIELD SERVICE & RENTALS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	200.00 200.00
104331	PINNACLE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	19,409.41 4,524.69 14,884.72
104332	PINNACLE-AGRONOMY DEPARTMENT WEED CONTROL FUND	81.15 81.15
104333	PLAZA OK HARDWARE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	9.99 9.99
104334	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	9,174.90 9,174.90
104335	PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	909.20 909.20
104336	PURCHASE POWER GENERAL FUND	704.15 704.15
104337	QUADIENT LEASING GENERAL FUND	210.42 210.42
104338	R & T WATER DISTRICT COUNTY PARKS FUND	72.02 72.02
104339	RALPHS PLUMBING & HEATING INC. COUNTY PARKS FUND	13,129.54 13,129.54
104340	RDO EQUIPMENT CO COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	16,954.45 16,954.45
104341	RICHLAND PUMP & SUPPLY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	60.09 60.09
104342	RISAN/LYNDA GENERAL FUND	383.88 383.88
104343	RTC NETWORKS GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	4,301.23 3,484.01 360.39 336.14 86.11 34.58
104344	RULAND/KATHY GENERAL FUND	349.14 349.14
104345	SAFARI FUELS #103 GENERAL FUND	1,367.80 1,367.80

104346	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC	89,989.45
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS	20,702.56
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	69,286.89
104347	SCHNEIDER/CLAUDIA	353.88
	GENERAL FUND	353.88
104348	SOLIS/CLAUDIA	377.44
	GENERAL FUND	377.44
104349	SORENSEN/KIM	330.00
	GENERAL FUND	330.00
104350	SOURIS RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS	168.00
	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	168.00
104351	SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC	1,282.05
	GENERAL FUND	1,282.05
104352	STANLEY AMBULANCE	32,500.00
	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND	32,500.00
104353	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK	420.76
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	256.11
	WEED CONTROL FUND	164.65
104354	STANLEY HARDWARE	1,412.18
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	256.11
	WEED CONTROL FUND	164.65
104355	STANLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING	650.00
	VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER FUND	650.00
104356	STATE TREASURER	7,198.00
	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	7,198.00
104357	STUBSTAD/BRENDA	397.44
	GENERAL FUND	397.44
104358	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	5,750.88
	GENERAL FUND	5,750.88
104359	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PUBLISHING CORP.	180.59
	GENERAL FUND	180.59
104360	TOLLEFSON/KRYSTLE	384.46
	GENERAL FUND	384.46
104361	TOMLINSON/HEATHER	200.07
	COUNTY AGENT FUND	200.07
104362	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY	85.46
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	7.49
	WEED CONTROL FUND	77.97
104363	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE	5,704.76
	GENERAL FUND	3,712.65
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	4.47
	COUNTY PARKS FUND	1,987.64
104364	US POSTAL SERVICE	992.00
	GENERAL FUND	758.00
	COUNTY AGENT FUND	156.00
	WEED CONTROL FUND	78.00
104365	VERGARA/RIGO	94.06
	GENERAL FUND	94.06
104366	VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	777.12
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	777.12

104367	VERIZON WIRELESS	1,590.16
	GENERAL FUND	221.78
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	257.10
	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	1,047.80
	WEED CONTROL FUND	63.48
104368	WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO	9,307.64
	WEED CONTROL FUND	9,307.64
104369	WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER	9,111.69
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	9,111.69
	<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>629,622.24</b>

H. BOARD CONCERNS

Comm. Hollekim mentioned that at the ND Association of Counties Strategic Planning session communication was a topic of concern. Comm. Hollekim suggested sending minutes from the other different boards and getting updates to all the rest of the Commissioners on what is occurring on those boards. Also, Comm. Hollekim suggested updates from department officials on a periodical basis.

Chairman Ruland discussed the salary for the 2023 year and further discussion will be held at the next commissioner meeting.

3. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED

9:10 A.M.

Laurie Johnson, Correctional Administrator discussed out of state travel for training in Alexandria , MN in October, Waite Park, MN on July 14-15 and River Falls, WI on September 28-29<sup>th</sup>.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the out of state travel for training being held in Waite Park, MN on July 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> and River Falls, WI on September 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> and in Alexandria MN in October. Upon roll call, Olson, Uran, Hollekim, Ruland and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

Correctional Administrator Johnson discussed the Lake Region Correctional facility needing to house 49 inmates and willing to pay the daily rate from July 1<sup>st</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup> due to a reduction from Grade One to Grade Three Facility. Correctional Administrator Johnson also stated LRLEC is reaching out to provide technical assistance for Basic Training classes and is willing to pay wages, travel and lodging. Employees will do the training on their own personal time off and not as an employee of Mountrail County.

9:15 A.M.

Chairman Ruland opened the 9:15 A.M. public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on an amendment to zoning request, to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Commercial filed by Wallsauger Properties LLC, applicant, with concurrence from Brent & Kayla Wollschlager, landowners, for the purpose of constructing rental storage units on property described as Outlot 1 in the SE¼SE¼ of Section 36, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (**Van Hook Township**).

Malinda Gunderson, Planning & Zoning Assistant, presented the information from the May 24, 2022 Planning & Zoning Commission recommending to the Mountrail County Commissioners to approve the zoning request filed by Wallsauger Properties LLC applicant with concurrence from Brent & Kayla Wollschlager, landowners.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the zoning request filed by Wallsauger Properties LLC, applicant, with concurrence from Brent & Kayla Wollschlager, landowners, for the purpose of constructing rental storage units on property described as Outlot 1 of SE¼SE¼ of Section 36, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (**Van Hook Township**) as Wallsauger Properties LLC, applicant, with concurrence from Brent & Kayla Wollschlager, landowners, have met all criteria as set forth in Article IV, Section III of the Mountrail County Zoning Ordinance and is further contingent upon Wallsauger Properties LLC with concurrence from Brent & Kayla Wollschlager complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Zoning Ordinance. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9:30 A.M.



Chairman Ruland opened the 9:30 A.M. public hearing for the second reading of the Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Land Development Code.

Also present were Scott Harmstead, SRF Consulting Group; Malinda Gunderson, Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Assistant; Melissa Vachal, P&Z Administrator; Charlie Sorenson; Deanna Blikre Peterson; Brian Skaar; Myron Lee; Howard Rice; Dallas Lalim; Jay Regnier, Austin Collins, Brad Peterson and Mollie Smith with Enel Green Power North America Inc., and Dennis Lindahl, with Tioga Economic Development Corporation.

Discussion was held on the letters of opposition received from Steve Blikre, Brian Skaar, David Norstedt, Nels & Starla Norstedt, Dwight & Kay Blikre, Myron Lee, Roger Blestrud & Enel Green Power North America Inc. regarding the new wind ordinance that would prevent the development of the wind projects. Jay Regnier, Senior Director with Enel Green Power North America Inc made comments on the ordinance provisions for turbine setbacks, occupied structure variance, visual impact assessment, noise standards, permit term and financial assurance. Dennis Lindahl, with Tioga Economic Development Corporation supported Enel Green Power North America Inc. Dallas Lalim, Landowner is in support of the Oil & Gas industries and the wind turbines. Dallas Lalim stated the wind turbines is surface which helps the current landowners' yearly income. Wade Enget, State's Attorney stated the Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Land Development Code is still able to be changed or modified. Chairman Ruland stated if the Land Development Code is passed and someone doesn't meet the setback numbers then a person would be able to apply for a variance permit.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Uran, to refer the Mountrail County P&Z Land Development Code back to the P&Z Board for further consideration specifically with Article 5 with subsections 5.6 Wind Energy Facility, Utility Scale and 5.9 Temporary Freshwater Industrial Use Point of Diversion. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

10:00 A.M.

The Board reviewed the bids for the rental office space quotes at the Memorial Building. Two bids were received from Gjellstad LLC and Kimber Company. Also present were Clay Sorenson, CRS Construction, Roger Gjellstad, Mary Dennis and Candice Grilley. Roger Gjellstad with Gjellstad LLC discussed the construction of permanent office spaces in the building with the cost being charged in the monthly rental fees. Comm. Uran suggested the County pay an upfront lease fee for the construction costs. Clay Sorenson stated it could be completed to the county's satisfaction. The quote for Kimber Company didn't meet the bid specifications for the 16 office spaces requested.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve moving forward with the proposal from Gjellstad LLC totaling \$10,000 per month plus utilities for rental of office space on property described as Sublot A of Outlot 5 of the NESE of Section 28, Range 91 in Stanley City (8131 Highway 2). Upon roll call, Ruland, Uran, Hollekim, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the moving companies' proposals to relocate offices in the Memorial Building to the Courthouse and/or the new office space at 8131 Highway 2.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve going with Williston Area Movers for moving offices at the Memorial Building at an estimate totaling \$8,000. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Uran, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve purchasing 100 storage totes from Ace Hardware totaling \$2,300. Upon roll call, Olson, Rice, Uran, Hollekim and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the used furniture housed in the Memorial Building and the consensus of the Board is if there is no room in the temporary building then get rid of the furniture.

10:30 A.M.

Jana Hennessy, Road & Bridge (R&B) Engineer met to discuss Road & Bridge. Also present were Gregory Gunderson, Joel (Rocky) Dubose & Justin Labar representing the City of White Earth, Craig Mizera and Matthew Huettl with HDR Engineering.

#### 1. CR 6

Engineer Hennessy presented the City of White Earth concerns and questions with the main city streets that connect CR9 (99<sup>th</sup> Ave NW) to CR6 (67<sup>th</sup> St NW) with the White Earth West CR6 project

that is currently under design. Gregory Gunderson and Justin Labar discussed the following concerns and questions for the City of White Earth.

Questions –

- 1) Regarding the engineering survey and the city paying for the survey or cost sharing the concern is that there is a clear path forward. The council would like to have some assurance that this would be fiscally responsible. Knowing the funds are not available to pay for this project themselves going forward this is a concern.
- 2) Lack of policing for what is perceived as impending issue if the road is paved, and weight limit increased in a very residential area where many young children reside. Would county law enforcement be willing to patrol the area more frequently? What would it take for this to happen?
- 3) How would the county funding the project and taking control of the care of this road work long term?
- 4) Would the expectation be that we would increase weight limit on this road or all streets in White Earth?

Concerns –

- 1) Avoiding drainage issues in the area to the NW of this road. There would need to be assurance that the water will move when this is done. This has been a battle in that area that we have only recently seem to get a handle on and we do not want to go backward.
- 2) There would need to be an understanding with road and bridge that our blade operator will not leave this road full of snow if the county does not get out before him to clean it. We will not wait to clean out the main road that 80 percent of our residents have to use to leave their homes to go to work, get emergency services or just to go to the grocery store. In addition, the city workers may use the city sweeper to clean up the road if it becomes full of gravel.
- 3) Stop sign placement, while we understand we may not be able to keep all the current signs, it is important that we keep the one by the church. We tried one coming down the hill and it was disaster in the winter, someone must stop there.
- 4) Making sure there are adequate Children at Play notices coming into the residential area so there is a clear understanding of this factor along the route. Half our resident children live on the other side of that road from our city park so there is a significant amount of biking and walking across and along this stretch of road. This road being paved is likely to increase this activity.

Joel (Rocky) Dubose stated the City of White Earth doesn't have the means financially to support the cost of the road.

Matthew Huettl with HDR Engineering stated with the Preliminary Engineering Contract would give two different design options to consider.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve signing the Preliminary Engineering Contract Amendment from 2<sup>nd</sup> St and Hill St, from JCT CR 9 to JCT CR 6 approximately .317 miles with HDR Engineering at a cost not exceeding of \$9,940.60. Upon roll call, Uran, Ruland, Olson, Hollekim and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve signing the Preliminary Engineering Contract Amendment from Williams County line (102nd Ave NW) to the City of White Earth elevator, (67th St NW) approximately 5.84 miles with HDR Engineering at an estimated increase of \$224,580 with total contract cost not to exceed \$433,031.10. Upon roll call, Rice, Hollekim, Ruland, Olson and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

Engineering Huettl reviewed the different design options for CR 6 White Earth West Project as follows: Decision #1: Structure 31-106-11.0 Barrier End: Alternative 1) Barrier End Modification for Existing Bridge; Alternative 2) Barrier End Repair for Existing Bridge and Decision #2: Proposed Pavement Section: Alternative 1) Cement Stabilization 2) Geogrid Stabilization.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the design option for bridge barrier ends as Alternative 1) barrier end modification for existing bridge totaling \$76,000 for CR 6 Project. Upon roll call, Uran, Ruland, Rice, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the design option for the paving as Alternative 2) Geogrid stabilization pavement for CR 6 Project. Upon roll call, Olson, Ruland, Rice, Hollekim and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

## 2. CR 15/VAN HOOK

Engineer Hennessy discussed the letter received from Gratech Company LLC for the dissatisfaction with the substantial completion dates put into place by ND Game & Fish for seed planting and the

substantial completion construction end date which is in October of 2022. Gratech requested the final completion/seeding deadline date be extended to spring of 2023. The consensus of the board was to grant no extension on the date of completion.

3. RAIL ROAD CROSSING/PROJECT #RSO-C731(022)

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve signing the Final Certification of Local Match for Van Hook Railroad Crossing Project #RSO-C731(022). Upon roll call, Hollekim, Rice, Uran, Olson and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

4. NEW TOWN CONCRETE PAD QUOTES

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to accept the quote from Creative Concrete for materials and labor to construct a 40' X 40' X 7" concrete pad for salt storage at the New Town Shop totaling \$35,710.00 being contingent on the approval of the building permit with the City of New Town. Upon roll call, Rice, Uran, Hollekim, Olson and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried. Engineer Hennessy commented she reached out to three different contractors but only one submitted a quote.

5. ONEOK

Engineer Hennessy discussed the overweight permit requested from ONEOK to use the Stanley Truck Bypass today as a route to haul a 305,500# compressor. Discussion was held on the residential area, the road weight limit capability, the lack of planning by ONEOK, and the coordination with the City of Stanley.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve an excess agreement for the Stanley Truck Bypass with ONEOK concurrent with the coordination of the City of Stanley. Upon roll call, Ruland, Olson, Uran voted yes Hollekim and Rice voted no. Motion carried.

6. UPDATED ROAD CHARTS & MAPS

Engineer Hennessy shared the R&B charts for the upcoming 2023 budget year.

7. CR 9 UPDATE

Craig Mizera with HDR Engineering gave an update on CR 9. The Corps of Engineers are still holding the permits.

8. CDL

Engineer Hennessy stated the R&B is in the works of getting an in-house trainer for the CDL requirements.

9. SEMI BIDS

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to give authorization to Engineer Hennessy to make an emergency purchase of a used semi not exceeding \$75,000 due to the lack of availability. Upon roll call, Uran, Ruland, Olson, Hollekim and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

4. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 2:00 P.M. to meet in regular session on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. Accepted and approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

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Trudy Ruland, Chairman  
Mountrail County Commissioner

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Stephanie A. Pappa  
Mountrail County Auditor