Proceedings of the Mountrail County Commissioners

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, May 17, 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. Uran, 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. Olson, to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2022 meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022 special meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

C. FEES

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the April fees for the Sheriff and Clerk of Court. Upon roll call, Uran, Rice, Ruland, 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. 2023 BUDGET

Stephanie A. Pappa, Auditor discussed the Department Heads meeting held on May 11th with the consensus of those present requesting a \$3,000 cost of living raise. Auditor Pappa wanted direction on how the board would like to move forward with it being added to the budgets for 2023. The option for the \$3,000 increase could be added as a COLA, a bonus or added to the beginning bottom salary within the Gallagher salary chart. A line item will be added to the budgets as COLA/bonus.

E. MEMORIAL BUILDING RENOVATION

Discussion was held on the office rental for the Memorial Building. Lynnette Vachal, Extension Agent and Jana Hennessy, Engineer discussed the utilization of the south complex meeting room and if the county nurse was housed in the meeting room it would an inconvenience to all departments at the South Complex. The advertisement for the office space bid opening will be held on June 21st at 10:00 a.m.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve advertising for rental offices for the Memorial Building on June 21st, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. including advertising on Home Town Radio. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Commissioners were all in consensus to authorize Comm. Hollekim along with an employee from the Human Service Zone and from the County Buildings Department to seek proposals from moving companies to move all offices during the Memorial Building renovation project.

F. PAYROLL

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the salary increase banding/grading change for Katie Jackson with the Clerk of Court from a B21 Deputy Clerk I to a B23 Deputy Clerk II to the amount of \$4,681.83 per month/\$56,182 per year. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Ruland, Uran, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the temporary employee classification for Calli Hennessy as a seasonal Weed Sprayer in the amount of \$24.259 per hour from May 2022 to September 2022. Upon roll call, Ruland, Hollekim, Rice, Uran and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

May 17, 2022 Minutes – Page 2 Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the temporary employee classification for Dakota Ramsey as a seasonal Road Worker in the amount of \$20.98 per hour from May 2, 2022 to October 31, 2022. Upon roll call, Uran, Olson, Rice, Hollekim and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the full-time employee classification for Trista Wentz as a Family Service Specialist III in the amount of \$4,700 per month/\$56,400 per year. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

G. BEER/LIQUOR TRANSFER

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the beer and liquor transfer for T&T Investments DBA Ranchmans 23 to the Blaisdell Rodeo Grounds on Saturday, June 25, 2022 to Monday, June 27, 2022. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

H. MINERAL LEASE

State's Attorney Enget discussed the Slawson mineral lease for Township 152 North, Range 93 West, Section 13, Blk 54, Lots 1-6 Village of Sanish.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve signing the mineral lease from Slawson for Township 152 North, Range 93 West, Section 13, Blk 54, Lots 1-6 Village of Sanish. Upon roll call, Rice, Uran, Olson, Ruland and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

I. NDACo GIS PROGRAM

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve signing the joint powers agreement with NDACo for the GIS program totaling \$3,375. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Uran, Olson, Rice and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

J. BILLS

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the bills totaling \$509,618.13. Upon roll call, Ruland, Hollekim, Uran, Olson 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).

Warrant # Vendor Name Warrant Total 103982 ACME TOOLS 1,741.73 COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 1.440.00 COUNTY PARKS FUND 301.73 ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS 103983 346.03 GENERAL FUND 346.03 103984 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 56.76 **GENERAL FUND** 56.76 ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES 103985 731.58 **GENERAL FUND** 553.55 COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 178.03 103986 ARMOR INTERACTIVE 8,166.44 GENERAL FUND 7.626.44 DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND 540.00 103987 BLUE SHIELD TACTICAL SYSTEMS LLC 700.00 **GENERAL FUND** 700.00 **BUTLER MACHINERY CO** 103988 101.43 COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND 101.43 CARD SERVICES 103989 272.85 **GENERAL FUND** 272.85 103990 CITY OF STANLEY 46.25

APPROVED 05/17/2022 - PAYMENT 05/17/2022

	WEED CONTROL FUND	May 17, 2022 Minutes – Page 3 46.25
103991	COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY GENERAL FUND	3,920.00 3,920.00
103992	DAKOTA DRUG CO GENERAL FUND	658.61 658.61
103993	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC GENERAL FUND	228.70 228.70
103994	DAKOTA TRUCK & FARM SERVICE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	649.61 649.61
103995	DUANES RADIATOR SHOP COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	196.20 196.20
103996	ELECTRONICS COMMUNICATIONS INC E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	608.00 608.00
103997	ENERBASE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	38,096.59 2,160.99 35,935.60
103998	ENGET/WADE GENERAL FUND	64.35 64.35
103999	FARMERS UNION LUMBER CO GENERAL FUND	5,912.49 5,912.49
104000	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WILTON GENERAL FUND	238.17 238.17
104001	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES LLC #1657 COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	83.51 83.51
104002	FOX/ASHLEY GENERAL FUND	192.50 192.50
104003	FRITEL CONSTRUCTION, INC. COUNTY PARKS FUND	37,000.00 37,000.00
104004	GLOBAL SAFETY NETWORK, INC GENERAL FUND	38.00 38.00
104005	HAMPTON INN & SUITES MINOT GENERAL FUND	86.40 86.40
104006	HANSON/LORI GENERAL FUND	61.43 61.43
104007	HDR ENGINEERING, INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	63,698.74 9,810.00 53,888.74
104008	HOLLEKIM/JOAN GENERAL FUND	67.86 67.86
104009	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT GENERAL FUND E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	6,726.52 3,285.98 3,440.54
104010	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,726.09 1,726.09
104011	JOHNSON/LAURIE GENERAL FUND	26.88 26.88
104012	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	4,343.08 3,173.37 92.73

	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND	May 17, 2022 Minutes – Page 4 515.98 84.60
	WEED CONTROL FUND	476.40
104013	KRONOS SAASHR INC GENERAL FUND	652.87 652.87
104014	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	9.80 9.80
104015	LEXIPOL GENERAL FUND	1,674.00 1,674.00
104016	LIGHT AND SIREN COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	240.50 240.50
104017	LOMMEN/ORVIN GENERAL FUND	275.00 275.00
104018	MEIERS OIL INC GENERAL FUND	989.00 989.00
104019	MENARDS - MINOT	894.24
	GENERAL FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND	-137.70 1,031.94
104020	MID-DAKOTA WHEEL ALIGNMENT& FRAME SERVIC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,559.80 3,559.80
104021	MINOT RESTAURANT SUPPLY CO GENERAL FUND	42.79 42.79
104022	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY HEALTH CENTER GENERAL FUND	800.00 800.00
104023	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER GENERAL FUND	367.00 367.00
104024	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	10,428.52 9,473.92 586.52
	COUNTY PARKS FUND	368.08
104025	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	1,339.80 1,339.80
104026	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES GENERAL FUND	3,862.01 3,862.01
104027	ND TRUCK WASH COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	487.00 487.00
104028	NDDHS FISCAL ADMINISTRATION GENERAL FUND	1,351.03 1,351.03
104029	NDLTAP/UGPTI COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	200.00 200.00
104030	NELSON INTERNATIONAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	85,022.00 85,022.00
104031	NEW TOWN CITY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	52.00 52.00
104032	NORTH AMERICAN TRAILER SALES, LTD COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,662.55 3,662.55
104033	NORTH PRAIRIE RURAL WATER DISTRICT COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	59.89 59.89
104034	NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOP	129.00

	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	May 17, 2022 Minutes – Page 5 129.00
104035	NOVA FIRE PROTECTION, INC. GENERAL FUND	300.00 300.00
104036	O-DAY EQUIPMENT LLC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	635.18 635.18
104037	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2.99 2.99
104038	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	2,077.30 1,558.67 295.38 207.47 15.78
104039	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,135.74 1,135.74
104040	PEARL VALLEY OILFIELD SERVICE & RENTALS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	200.00 200.00
104041	PINNACLE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	5,586.06 3,529.18 2,056.88
104042	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES GENERAL FUND	668.58 668.58
104043	PLAZA OK HARDWARE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	102.44 102.44
104044	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	4,501.20 4,501.20
104045	PROGRAMMING BROADCASTING, INC GENERAL FUND	798.00 798.00
104046	PURCHASE POWER GENERAL FUND	2,353.50 2,353.50
104047	QUADIENT, INC GENERAL FUND	126.00 126.00
104048	R & T WATER DISTRICT COUNTY PARKS FUND	50.00 50.00
104049	RDO EQUIPMENT CO COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	5,353.07 5,353.07
104050	RECORD KEEPERS, LLC GENERAL FUND	42.00 42.00
104051	RTC NETWORKS GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	9,229.50 8,340.01 434.47 334.33 86.11 34.58
104052	RUDOLPH ELECTRIC, LLC GENERAL FUND	8,086.28 8,086.28
104053	SAFARI FUELS #103 GENERAL FUND	1,468.20 1,468.20
104054	SATERMO TRUSTWORTHY HARDWARE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	7.99 7.99
104055	SAVAGE/KIM	74.99

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	GENERAL FUND	74.99
104056	SIGN SOLUTIONS USA LLC E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	181.94 181.94
104057	SOURIS RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	168.00 168.00
104058	SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC GENERAL FUND	882.21 882.21
104059	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,239.50 1,239.50
104060	STANLEY HARDWARE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	742.88 637.26 105.62
104061	STANLEY PARK BOARD GENERAL FUND	60,000.00 60,000.00
104062	STANLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER FUND	650.00 650.00
104063	STATE TREASURER E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	4,701.00 4,701.00
104064	STEINS INC GENERAL FUND	1,396.92 1,396.92
104065	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC GENERAL FUND	8,731.99 8,731.99
104066	SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CORP COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	864.79 864.79
104067	THE SIDWELL COMPANY GENERAL FUND	3,090.00 3,090.00
104068	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PUBLISHING CORP. GENERAL FUND	180.59 180.59
104069	TITAN MACHINERY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2,480.27 2,480.27
104070	TOMLINSON/HEATHER COUNTY AGENT FUND	143.33 143.33
104071	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	287.63 52.99 8.99
104072	WEED CONTROL FUND TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS LLC GENERAL FUND	225.65 75,197.51 42,055.28
104073	E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	33,142.23 180.96
404074		180.96
104074	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND	3,989.14 2,345.51 1,352.01 291.62
104075	VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	777.12 777.12
104076	VILLAGE FAMILY SERV CENTER GENERAL FUND	4,110.00 4,110.00

104077	WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIP CO WEED CONTROL FUND	May 17, 2022 Minutes – Page 7 548.10 548.10
104078	WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,389.63 3,389.63
	FINAL TOTAL	509,618.13

K. BOARD CONCERNS

Discussion was held on the vacant county rental house in New Town. Sheriff Corey Bristol had no objections of the rental house being opened up for lease to employees of other departments other than the Sheriff's Department. Comm. Hollekim stated if the house stays vacant it should be reported to the Tax Department as the property will become non-taxable.

Comm. Ruland discussed the commissioners email addresses and wanted to know if they can be changed to the co.mountrail.nd.us. Auditor Pappa will contact Armor to see if the change is possible.

Further discussion was held on the firefighter units. Comm. Olson will reach out to the fire districts to see how to handle this moving forward.

3. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED

9:15 A.M.

Lori Hanson, Tax Director met with the board to discuss an abatement on parcel #60-1002000 for the 2022 tax year.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the abatement on parcel #60-1002000 for the 2022 tax year due to trailer house being moved off as per the recommendation of Tax Director Hanson. Upon roll call, Olson, Uran, Hollekim, Ruland and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

9:20 A.M.

Melissa Vachal, Planning & Zoning Administrator presented the first reading of the Mountrail County Land Development Code.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the first reading and proceed to publishing for the public hearing of the Mountrail County Land Development Code on June 21st, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Ruland, Rice, Uran and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

9:45 A.M.

Jackie Rudolph, BBH Insurance Agent discussed the firefighting units with the board. Jackie Rudolph, stated if it's a piece of equipment to put in back of a pickup there would be no liability to the county on the vehicle. Jackie Rudolph recommend to have the county supply the units to the rural fire districts.

10:00 A.M.

Jana Hennessy, Road & Bridge (R&B) Engineer met to discuss Road & Bridge. Also present were Austin Becker with Ackerman-Estvold and Matthew Huettl with HDR Engineering.

1. 41ST DESIGN OPTIONS

Engineer Hennessy along with Austin Becker with Ackerman-Estvold discussed the different design options for 41st St NW from ND 1804 west approximately 2 miles. The following design options were discussed: **A) No build**: Advantage is no cost. Disadvantage is doesn't meet the goal to improve the road to current design standards. **B1) Mountrail County Standard (4" HMA, 12" Aggregate Base)**: Advantages are meets design strength requirements and consistency of design strength, simple installation and testing requirements. Disadvantages are large depth to the overall section will require the removal of existing material to construct the section resulting in increased earthwork and waste to be removed from the project, most aggregate need of all alternatives, cost of aggreage is higher in this area due to lmited supply and highest construction cost. **B2) Geogrid (4" HMA, 6" Aggregate Base, Geogrid)**: Advantages are reduces overall aggregate need compared to Alternative B1, reduced construction cost meets design strength requirements. Disadvantages are more costly than Alternative B3 and similar disadvantages as Alternative B1. **B3) Cement Stabilization (4" HMA, 2" Agregate Base and 12" Cement stabilized subgrade**): Advantages are lowest construction cost theoretically exceeds

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the design option B3) Cement Stabilization (4" HMA, 2" Agregate Base and 12" Cement stabilized subgrade) at an estimated cost of \$2,991,800 for 41st St NW Project No. UO(41)22. Upon roll call, Rice, Hollekim, Ruland, Olson and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

2. COTTONWOOD BRIDGE PROJECT/BRO-0031(056)

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the signing the supplement agreement to cost participation, construction and maintenance amendment agreement for the Cottonwood Bridge Project #BRO-0031(056) to revise the amount of federal funds to 100% and no cost to the County. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

3. CR 4/CHANGE ORDER #1

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the change order #1 to the contract with Central Specialties Inc. for an increase of \$7,846.04 for the Lostwood West CR 4 Reconstruction project. Upon roll call, Ruland, Uran, Olson, Rice and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

4. CR 15/CHANGE ORDER #1

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the change order #1 to the contract with Gratech Company LLC for the Van Hook CR 15 Reconstruction Project allowing a time extension to June 10, 2022 for the seeding. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Uran, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

5. SIGN TRUCK/CHANGE ORDER

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the Change Order with RBL Inc. for the sign truck for an increase from \$187,370 to \$192,230. Upon roll call, Ruland, Olson, Hollekim, Uran and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

6. CR 9/ R&T UTILITY RELOCATION AGREEMENT

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve signing the cost share agreement for relocating rural water lines between R&T Water District and Mountrail County for CR 9, 100th Ave NW from ND 1804 to White Earth Bay with the County's share of the project estimated at \$650,829.30. Upon roll call, Ruland, Hollekim, Uran, Olson and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

7. CR 9/LETTER TO US ARMY COPRS OF ENGINEERS

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve signing and sending a letter to the US Corps of Engineers concerning an update on the 408-permit authorization process and send a copy of the letter to the Congressional delegates. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

8. TOWNSHIP TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PROGRAM

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve signing the project commitment for Unorganized Township 152-93 for the 36th Ave NW between 89th and 92nd Avenues joint project with the townships of Big Bend, Howie, Osborn and Unorganized 152-93 being submitted for potential grant funding under the Township Transportation Funding Program with NDDOT. Upon roll call, Uran, Ruland, Hollekim, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to authorize Engineer Hennessy to apply online for funding under the Township Transportation Funding Program with NDDOT for the 36th Ave NW joint township project. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

Discussion was held on the first cutting of the right of way (ROW) ditches with the first cut by June 1^{st} . It was the consensus that no notice will be given this year. Engineer Hennessy will bring back to the board the end of June.

Engineer Hennessy discussed the new federal mandatory requirements for the CDL license effective February 7, 2022. Engineer Hennessy will present to the Human Resource Advisory Committee for recommendations on a memorandum for a payback or paying all the CDL requirements for training.

Stephanie A. Pappa along with State's Attorney Enget will schedule a special meeting to discuss the continued repairs on the Plaza Shop.

4. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 11:39 A.M. to meet in regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. Accepted and approved this 7th day of June, 2022.

Trudy Ruland, Chairman

Mountrail County Commissioner

Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Auditor