

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in the Emergency/Community Room, Mountrail County Courthouse, Stanley ND with Commissioners Trudy Ruland, Wayne Olson, Jason Rice, Joan Hollekim and John DeGroot 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. DeGroot, 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. Rice, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2024 meeting as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

C. FEES

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the October fees for Corrections, Clerk of Court and Sheriff. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

D. PAYROLL

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the appointed officials sick leave and vacation for the month of October. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, DeGroot, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

E. BILLS

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the bills totaling \$4,614,688.24 and October 27 through November 9 payroll, checks #18062-18079 and direct deposits #23364-23518 totaling \$577,009.41. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, Hollekim, DeGroot and Ruland 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).

APPROVED 11/19/2024 - PAYMENT 11/19/2024

<u>Warrant #</u>	<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Warrant Total</u>
110304	ACME TOOLS	2,499.00
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2,499.00
110305	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	868.04
	GENERAL FUND	868.04
110306	ANDERSON/CONSTANCE	381.64
	GENERAL FUND	381.64
110307	ARMOR INTERACTIVE	10,855.87
	GENERAL FUND	10,315.87
	DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND	540.00
110308	BABBITT/KAREN	335.46
	GENERAL FUND	335.46
110309	BARANKO BROTHERS, INC	849,479.25
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS	849,479.25
110310	BERT'S TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC	806.74
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	806.74
110311	BRAVERA BANK	534,746.06

	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	534,746.06
110312	BREWER/MIKE	372.98
	GENERAL FUND	372.98
110313	BROSZ ENGINEERING, INC	2,700.00
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2,700.00
110314	BRUCE/CHERYL	419.16
	GENERAL FUND	419.16
110315	CARD SERVICES	58.90
	GENERAL FUND	58.90
110316	CITY OF STANLEY	76.62
	WEED CONTROL FUND	76.62
110317	CNH INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNTS	528.96
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	528.96
110318	COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	4,085.00
	GENERAL FUND	4,085.00
110319	CREATIVE CONCRETE	7,500.00
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	7,500.00
110320	DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC	274.60
	GENERAL FUND	274.60
110321	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, INC.	784.97
	GENERAL FUND	784.97
110322	DAKOTA TRUCK & FARM SERVICE	1,264.93
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,264.93
110323	DMC WEAR PARTS LLC	33,585.22
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	33,585.22
110324	DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC.	70,200.00
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	70,200.00
110325	DXP ENTERPRISES, INC.	190.00
	GENERAL FUND	190.00
110326	EAPC ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS	1,907.76
	GENERAL FUND	1,907.76
110327	EDWARDS/ROLENE	382.26
	GENERAL FUND	382.26
110328	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	3,144.04
	GENERAL FUND	3,144.04
110329	ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS INC	30,011.52
	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND	30,011.52
110330	ENERBASE	12,281.93
	GENERAL FUND	2,091.81
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	10,190.12
110331	ENGET/WADE	646.50
	GENERAL FUND	646.50
110332	ENNIS/JANELL	322.78
	GENERAL FUND	322.78
110333	ERICKSON/BETTY	401.02
	GENERAL FUND	401.02

110334	ESTVOLD/KELSI GENERAL FUND	343.86 343.86
110335	EVERSPRING INN & SUITES-BISMARCK GENERAL FUND	198.00 198.00
110336	FEIRING/CEYLON GENERAL FUND	349.48 349.48
110337	FEIRING/DOROTHY GENERAL FUND	349.48 349.48
110338	FELDMAN/ROCHELLE GENERAL FUND	330.82 330.82
110339	G&P COMMERCIAL SALES GENERAL FUND	925.41 925.41
110340	GOEDEKEN/DEIDRE GENERAL FUND	364.32 364.32
110341	GRAPHICS, LETTERING & TRIM GENERAL FUND	585.00 585.00
110342	GRAVEL PRODUCTS INCORPORATED COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	15,087.30 15,087.30
110343	H.A.THOMPSON & SONS INC GENERAL FUND	6,000.00 6,000.00
110344	HANSON/LORI GENERAL FUND	22.00 22.00
110345	HOFF/MICHELLE GENERAL FUND	419.16 419.16
110346	HOLLAND/LORI GENERAL FUND	310.00 310.00
110347	HYNEK/AMANDA GENERAL FUND	332.88 332.88
110348	HYSJULIEN/CAMMI GENERAL FUND	349.48 349.48
110349	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT GENERAL FUND	212.00 212.00
110350	JARMIN/DEANN GENERAL FUND	340.00 340.00
110351	JENSEN BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,375,640.41 1,375,640.41
110352	JERRY'S SEPTIC SERVICE COUNTY PARKS FUND	600.00 600.00
110353	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2,112.42 2,112.42
110354	JOHNSON/CAROL GENERAL FUND	375.56 375.56
110355	JOHNSON/JOY GENERAL FUND	363.60 363.60
110356	JOHNSON/KATHLEEN GENERAL FUND	509.36 509.36

110357	JUMA/SAMMY COUNTY PARKS FUND	1,000.00 1,000.00
110358	JUNG/HAYLEY GENERAL FUND	308.76 308.76
110359	KOENIG/KAYLA GENERAL FUND	426.48 426.48
110360	KRONOS SAASHR INC GENERAL FUND	723.85 723.85
110361	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC E 911 EMERGENCY/WIRELESS FUND	1.96 1.96
110362	LOMMEN/ORVIN OPIOID SETTLEMENT	420.00 420.00
110363	LUND/BREANN GENERAL FUND	348.86 348.86
110364	MARTIN CONSTRUCTION INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,232,939.83 1,232,939.83
110365	MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES, LLC GENERAL FUND	1,556.10 1,556.10
110366	MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL GENERAL FUND	201.23 201.23
110367	MEDUNA/DEBBIE GENERAL FUND	350.30 350.30
110368	MEHUS/CAROL GENERAL FUND	330.00 330.00
110369	MEIERS OIL INC GENERAL FUND	34.11 34.11
110370	MELL/SHARON GENERAL FUND	343.50 343.50
110371	MENARDS - MINOT GENERAL FUND	629.13 629.13
110372	MO CO JOB DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY GENERAL FUND	685.00 685.00
110373	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER GENERAL FUND	8,787.12 8,787.12
110374	NATIONAL BUSINESS FURNITURE GENERAL FUND	2,356.95 2,356.95
110375	ND ASSN OF COUNTY ENGINEERS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	700.00 700.00
110376	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,770.00 1,220.00 550.00
110377	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES GENERAL FUND	189.00 189.00
110378	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	69,596.57 68,936.23 660.34
110379	ND TRUCK WASH	1,116.00

	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,116.00
110380	NEETHER/MONICA GENERAL FUND	342.07 342.07
110381	NORTH AMERICAN TRAILER SALES, LTD COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	10,740.97 10,740.97
110382	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL LLC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	402.21 402.21
110383	NORTH PRAIRIE RURAL WATER DISTRICT COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	54.00 54.00
110384	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC GENERAL FUND	235.35 235.35
110385	OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY GENERAL FUND	462.86 462.86
110386	PAPPA/STEPHANIE GENERAL FUND	62.64 62.64
110387	PINNACLE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	4,294.71 4,236.41 58.30
110388	PLAZA OK HARDWARE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,657.88 1,657.88
110389	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	641.92 641.92
110390	QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC GENERAL FUND	4.90 4.90
110391	QUADIENT, INC GENERAL FUND	126.00 126.00
110392	R & T WATER DISTRICT COUNTY PARKS FUND	46.74 46.74
110393	RADISSON HOTEL-BISMARCK GENERAL FUND	205.00 205.00
110394	RALPHS PLUMBING & HEATING INC. COUNTY PARKS FUND	845.81 845.81
110395	RDO EQUIPMENT CO COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	10,238.82 10,238.82
110396	RECORD KEEPERS, LLC GENERAL FUND	17.50 17.50
110397	RTC NETWORKS GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	5,547.49 4,743.43 192.61 536.13 37.66 37.66
110398	RUSH/KATHERINE GENERAL FUND	339.58 339.58
110399	SAFARI FUELS #103 GENERAL FUND	437.81 437.81
110400	SAUBER ENGINEERING, INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	176,154.75 176,154.75

110401	SOCKABASIN/MELODY GENERAL FUND	369.58 369.58
110402	SOLIS/CLAUDIA GENERAL FUND	378.24 378.24
110403	SORENSEN/KIM GENERAL FUND	340.00 340.00
110404	SORENSEN/SUSAN GENERAL FUND	348.04 348.04
110405	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,475.81 92.74 1,383.07
110406	STANLEY HARDWARE GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	1,797.49 1,143.22 534.28 119.99
110407	STANLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER FUND	650.00 650.00
110408	STEINS INC GENERAL FUND	3,839.50 3,839.50
110409	STONE/KIM GENERAL FUND	25.00 25.00
110410	STOREY KENWORTHY/MATT PARROTT GENERAL FUND	427.88 427.88
110411	STUBSTAD/BRENDA GENERAL FUND	379.58 379.58
110412	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC GENERAL FUND	3,343.26 3,343.26
110413	THE PURSUIT CHURCH GENERAL FUND	1,000.00 1,000.00
110414	THE SIDWELL COMPANY GENERAL FUND	150.00 150.00
110415	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PUBLISHING CORP. GENERAL FUND	212.37 212.37
110416	TOLLEFSON/KRYSTLE GENERAL FUND	354.58 354.58
110417	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY GENERAL FUND	99.99 99.99
110418	UNDERGROUND VAULTS & STORAGE INC DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND	374.40 374.40
110419	UNIFORM CENTER GENERAL FUND	462.98 462.98
110420	UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE GENERAL FUND	1,559.52 1,559.52
110421	VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	513.21 513.21
110422	VERIZON WIRELESS GENERAL FUND	514.88 147.40

	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	309.36
	WEED CONTROL FUND	58.12
110423	VESTIS	1,351.77
	GENERAL FUND	970.03
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	381.74
110424	WASTE MANAGEMENT	90.40
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	90.40
110425	WEST DAKOTA WATER, LLC	1,000.00
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,000.00
110426	WEST RIVER STRIPING CO	64,213.32
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	64,213.32
110427	WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER	14,171.35
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	14,171.35
110428	YOUNGBIRD/MELISSA	339.58
	GENERAL FUND	339.58
GRAND TOTAL		\$4,614,688.24

F. BOARD CONCERNS

Discussion was held on expending the remaining monies in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the purchase of portable vaccine coolers totaling \$3,444.14 & a freezer totaling \$4,261.00 for the Upper Missouri District Health Unit from the American Rescue Plan Act Fund 300. Upon roll call, Ruland, Olson, Rice, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the purchase of a generator for the Plaza Fire Hall not exceeding \$54,000 and not exceeding the remaining fund balance of the American Rescue Plan Act Fund 300. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Wade Enget, State’s Attorney discussed the Stanley Senior class on the courthouse tours and Judge Louser thanked the Commissioners for the best courtrooms within the district.

Comm. DeGroot gave a shout out to the MCMC for the emergency room care.

3. APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULED

9:10 A.M.

Chairman Ruland opened the 9:10 A.M. public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on an amendment to zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land 2.91 acres more or less from Commercial to Rural Residential for the purpose of building a home on property described as Outlot 51 in the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**).

Melissa Vachal, Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented the information from the October 28, 2024 Planning & Zoning Commission recommending to the Mountrail County Commissioners to approve the zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land 2.91 acres more or less from Commercial to Rural Residential for the purpose of building a home on property described as Outlot 51 in the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**).

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Commercial to Rural Residential for the purpose of building a home on a tract of land 2.91 acres more or less known as Outlot 51 of the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**) as Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner has met all criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC. complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9:12 A.M.

Chairman Ruland opened the 9:12 A.M. public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on an amendment to zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Commercial for the purpose of annexing the additional footage that was platted that was left off described as North 46.05' of Outlot 53 located in the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**).

Melissa Vachal, Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented the information from the October 28, 2024 Planning & Zoning Commission recommending to the Mountrail County Commissioners to approve the zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Commercial for the purpose of annexing the additional footage that was platted that was left off described as North 46.05' of Outlot 53 located in the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**).

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to approve the zoning request filed by Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Commercial for the purpose of annexing the additional footage that was platted that was left off described as North 46.05' of Outlot 53 located in the SESE of Section 10, Township 156 North, Range 90 West (**Palermo City**) as Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC., landowner has met all criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Lorena Vergara & Rene Vergara Aguirre with concurrence from Get It Done Service & Repair LLC. complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9:14 A.M.

Chairman Ruland opened the 9:14 A.M. public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on an amendment to zoning request filed by Teresa Miller, Landowner for an amendment to change land zoned Agricultural to Rural Residential for the purpose of selling the property on a tract of land .20 acres more or less located in the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West, to be known as Outlot 3 of the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West (**Myrtle Township**).

Melissa Vachal, Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented the information from the October 28, 2024 Planning & Zoning Commission recommending to the Mountrail County Commissioners to approve the zoning request filed by Teresa Miller, Landowner for an amendment to change land zoned Agricultural to Rural Residential for the purpose of selling the property on a tract of land .20 acres more or less located in the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West, to be known as Outlot 3 of the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West (**Myrtle Township**).

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the zoning request filed by Teresa Miller, Landowner for an amendment to change land zoned Agricultural to Rural Residential for the purpose of selling the property on a tract of land .20 acres more or less located in the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West, to be known as Outlot 3 of the NESE of Section 30, Township 156 North, Range 94 West (**Myrtle Township**) as Teresa Miller, landowner has met all criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Teresa Miller complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9:20 A.M.

Jessica Niemitalo, Treasurer met with the board to discuss the renewal of a Certificate of Deposit (CD).

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve renewing the \$20 million certificate of deposit (CD) with Bravera Bank for 12 months as per the recommendation of Treasurer Niemitalo. Upon roll call, Ruland, DeGroot, Rice, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Niemitalo also discussed bringing all checks and ACH back into the county. The County and the vendors have had a lot of issues with Integrated Payables. The County will bring all checks/ACH back into the Auditor/Treasurer office beginning January 1, 2025.

9:25 A.M.

Jana Hennessy, Road & Bridge (R&B) Engineer met to discuss Road & Bridge. Also present were Craig Mizera & Jon Skjoldal with HDR Engineering & Frankie Kartch.



1. CR 9 PHASE II

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the balancing change order #2 for a decrease of \$2,309,408.20 to the contract with Martin Construction Inc. for Project CR 9 Phase II from State Highway 1804 to White Earth Bay. Upon roll call, Olson, Hollekim, Ruland, Rice and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the final pay application for Martin Construction Inc., totaling \$1,232,939.83 for Project CR 9 Phase II. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

2. CR 10 EAST/PROJECT #10(51)23

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the change order #2 for an increase of \$445,876.68 to the contract with Baranko Brothers, Inc. for Project CR 10 East, #10(51)23, 53<sup>rd</sup> St NW from CR11 east 7 miles to the Ward County Line. Upon roll call, Hollekim, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the balancing change order #3 for a decrease of \$397,862.94 to the contract with Baranko Brothers, Inc. for Project CR 10 East, #10(51)23. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice, Hollekim and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the final pay application for Baranko Brothers, Inc., totaling \$849,479.25 for Project CR 10 East, #10(51)23. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Hollekim, Olson and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

3. CR 11 BID ADVERTISEMENT

Craig Mizera, HDR Engineering presented an update on the project for CR 11 Reconstruction, CR11/67<sup>th</sup> Ave NW from CR10/53<sup>rd</sup> St NW north approximately 6.1 miles to 59<sup>th</sup> St NW.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve advertising for bids for Project CR 11 Reconstruction. Upon roll call, Olson, Ruland, DeGroot, Rice and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

4. NDDOT BRIDGE INSPECTION

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve signing the certification of local match for bridge inspection with the NDDOT for Project #BRC-0099(012). Upon roll call, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice, Hollekim and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve paying the NDDOT for the bridge inspection totaling \$660.34 for Project #BRC-0099(012). Upon roll call, Hollekim, DeGroot, Ruland, Olson and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

5. NDDOT-2023 CHIP SEAL PROJECT

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve signing the final certification of local match with the NDDOT for Project #SC-3100(023). Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, DeGroot, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve paying the NDDOT for Chip Seal Coat & Pavement Markings totaling \$68,936.23 for Project #SC-3100(023). Upon roll call, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland, Hollekim and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

6. PLAZA SHOP-FINAL PAYMENT

Engineer Hennessy stated the final pay application will be on the bill listing for the Plaza Shop.

10:00 A.M.

Chairman Ruland opened the 10 a.m. Sale of Lands forfeited to the County for non-payment of taxes. Present for the hearing were Casey & Mary Omar, Kurt Edwards and Brian Sturgeon.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Hollekim, to open the bidding of the Sale of Lands forfeited to the County. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Rice, to accept the high bids for the purchase of county owned property as follows: no sale on Lot 20, Block 5, Original Townsite, Stanley City, \$524 from Mary Omar for the purchase of Lot 1, Block 1, Wilhelmi Addition, Stanley City and \$43,000 from Brian Sturgeon for the purchase of Lot 1, Block 1, Flatt Addition, Stanley City. Upon roll call, Olson, DeGroot, Hollekim, Rice and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to close the tax sale. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

10:10 A.M.

Jana Hennessy, Road & Bridge (R&B) Engineer continued to discuss Road & Bridge.

#### 7. PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY FROM 11/7/2024

Discussion was held on CR 2 & CR 3 and how to move forward with roadway improvements. The Board agreed after hearing comments at the 11/7/2024 public meeting, of having a paved major corridor route on CR3 from Palermo City north to State Highway 50 and also in favor of paving the portion of CR 2 (Old Highway 2) from Palermo to Blaisdell. John Sauber, Sauber Engineering stated there are only 5 miles from CR 2 (Old Highway 2) and then a portion of CR 3 that has the right of way easements. Corey Bristol, Sheriff would like a gravel option for the North & South gravel roads between Blaisdell & Tagus for emergency responses due to railroad crossings being blocked at times. Frankie Kartch discussed the safety issues over the weekend of receiving 8 inches of snow covering the gravel on CR 3 with no plows over the weekend. Engineer Hennessy stated all of her guys are very dependable and work hard to get the roads taken care of. More discussion will be held in the upcoming meetings.

#### 8. ONGOING

Engineer Hennessy discussed having a public meeting on CR 4. Comm. Rice stated doesn't think it would be well attended if a meeting was held. Comm. Rice will reach out to the landowners for an opinion on a public meeting.

Comm. DeGroot discussed 40<sup>th</sup> St NW on the possibility of paving in the future.

#### 4. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 11:06 A.M. to meet in regular session on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. Accepted and approved this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2024.

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Trudy Ruland, Chairman

Mountrail County Commissioner

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Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Auditor