Proceedings of the Mountrail County Commissioners

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, September 3, 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 August 20, 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 August Overweight fines. Upon roll call, Hollekim, Rice, Olson, DeGroot and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

D. TRANSFER

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the transfer for expenditures taken out of the wrong accounts from Weed Control Miscellaneous in the amount of \$103.63 and Weed Control Travel in the amount of \$406.78 to the County Agent Miscellaneous in the amount of \$103.63 and County Agent Travel in the amount of \$406.78. Upon roll call, Rice, Ruland, Olson, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

E. STOPPAYMENT

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the stop payment request for the 2023 warrants for Julie Howe check #10677 in the amount of \$119; Lindsey Ellvanger check #106946 in the amount of \$84; Caleb Young check #107774 in the amount of \$10.62 totaling \$213.62. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve the stop payment and reissue for lost check #108853 on 4/02/2024 for Village Family Service Center in the amount of \$4,110. Upon roll call, Olson, Hollekim, Ruland, Rice and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

F. WEATHER MODIFICATION

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the extension of the weather modification program for 8 days through September 8, 2024 due to the amount of crop still standing after the regular date of August 31st. Upon roll call, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland, Hollekim and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

G. PROCUREMENT POLICY

Wade Enget, State's Attorney provided the amended procurement policy that will be supplied to all department heads to review. More discussion will be held at the next commissioner meeting.

H. FOSTER CARE HOUSE

State's Attorney Enget discussed the usage of the foster care house and the possibility of it being utilized by Human Service Zone employees as a temporary housing for foster care. The Commissioners agreed to utilize the foster house to be temporary. More discussion will be held at the next commissioner meeting.

I. BILLS

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the bills totaling \$1,273,788.13 and August 4 through August 17 payroll, checks #17956-17973 and direct deposits #22419-22587 totaling \$605,173.44. 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 @ <u>www.co.mountrail.nd.us</u> under the County Commissioner heading and/or are available for review in the Auditor's Office during normal business hours).

APPROVED 09/03/2024 - PAYMENT 09/03/2024

Warrant #	Vendor Name	Warrant Total
109798	ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD ENGINEERING & MANAGEMEN COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,797.50 1,797.50
109799	ACME TOOLS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	1,506.36 837.64 668.72
109800	VALSOFT CORPORATION INC. GENERAL FUND	2,021.00 2,021.00
109801	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND HUMAN SERVICE ZONE COUNTY AGENT FUND	924.72 150.42 150.42 473.46 150.42
109802	ADVANCED DRUG TESTING INC HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	150.00 150.00
109803	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	45.59 45.59
109804	ARMOR INTERACTIVE GENERAL FUND	1,951.76 1,951.76
109805	ASWS LLC DBA HAMLIN WATER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,000.00 1,000.00
109806	BADLANDS OCCUPATIONAL TESTING SERVICES HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	1,284.00 1,284.00
109807	BARANKO BROTHERS, INC COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE CAPITAL PROJECTS	629,009.03 629,009.03
109808	BARNES/CRYSTAL HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	140.70 140.70
109809	BELSON OUTDOORS, INC COUNTY PARKS FUND	16,803.05 16,803.05
109810	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD GENERAL FUND	51.30 51.30
109811	BOB HAYES ADDICTION SERVICES OPIOID SETTLEMENT HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	4,998.00 1,305.00 3,693.00
109812	CIRCLE SANITATION INC GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND	6,341.57 421.75 364.25 5,555.57
109813	CITY OF STANLEY GENERAL FUND	3,089.99 3,089.99
109814	CLEARWATER DEPOT LLP COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	2,590.65 2,590.65
109815	CNH INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNTS COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,485.94 3,485.94

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109816	COLLINS/HANNAH GENERAL FUND	285.10 285.10
109817	CORPORATE TRANSLATION SERVICES INC HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	142.62 142.62
109818	CRUMMIE/KAITLYN HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	450.91 450.91
109819	D & L CONSTRUCTION, INC 154-94 UNORGANIZED TOWNSHIP	11,924.28 11,924.28
109820	DUSTBUSTERS, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	105,363.80 105,363.80
109821	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WATFORD CITY HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	320.64 320.64
109822	FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS, INC GENERAL FUND	344.90 344.90
109823	GRAPHICS, LETTERING & TRIM GENERAL FUND	585.00 585.00
109824	GUSTAFSON/ANN GENERAL FUND	174.20 174.20
109825	HANSON/LORI GENERAL FUND	285.10 285.10
109826	HARRISON/SADIE M HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	3,585.60 3,585.60
109827	HERMANSON/NANCY HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	201.25 201.25
109828	IACTP, INC GENERAL FUND	399.00 399.00
109829	INFORMATION SYSTEMS CORP GENERAL FUND	2,170.00 2,170.00
109830	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	250.00 250.00
109831	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	1,992.03 500.82 1,491.21
109832	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	18,087.70 18,087.70
109833	KINNEY/SHELLY HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	408.18 408.18
109834	KOHLER COMMUNICATIONS INC GENERAL FUND	315.70 315.70
109835	KRUIT/REBECCA HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	43.16 43.16
109836	LIGHT HOUSE TRADES, INC. COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	700.00 700.00
109837	LOMMEN/ORVIN OPIOID SETTLEMENT HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	1,080.00 180.00 900.00
109838	MEDCALL LLC	52.49

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	GENERAL FUND	52.49
109839	MEDICAL SOLUTIONS INC	1,157.82
	GENERAL FUND	1,157.82
109840	MENARDS - MINOT	1,097.14
	GENERAL FUND COUNTY PARKS FUND	342.33 754.81
	COUNTY PARKS FUND	754.81
109841	MINOT AUTO SUPPLY-INDUSTRIAL BEARING	34.84
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	34.84
109842	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES CO	10,017.98
	GENERAL FUND	10,017.98
109843	MOUNTAIN PLAINS YOUTH SERVICE	7,504.00
	HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	7,504.00
109844	MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER	170.95
	HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	170.95
109845	MOUNTRAIL WILLIAMS ELECTRIC COOP	15,382.70
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	139.57
	COUNTY PARKS FUND	15,243.13
109846	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	7,571.94
	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	7,571.94
109847	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	3.00
	HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	3.00
109848	ND ENVELOPE COMPANY	870.00
	GENERAL FUND	870.00
109849	NELSON/CAROL	201.00
	HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	201.00
109850	NORTH AMERICAN TRAILER SALES, LTD	1,836.89
100000	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,836.89
109851	NORTH PRAIRIE RURAL WATER DISTRICT	57.72
103031	COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	57.72
109852	NORTHERN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY INC	2,857.90
109052	GENERAL FUND	2,857.90
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109853	NORTHSTAR STEEL INC GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	349,254.90 349,254.90
109854	NORTHWEST WATER TRANSFER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,000.00 1,000.00
109855	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS WEED CONTROL FUND	275.69 275.69
		213.03
109856	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	637.72
	GENERAL FUND COUNTY AGENT FUND	407.41 230.31
109857	OGDEN/CRYSTAL HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	813.77 813.77
109858	OLSON-CRAMER/PAIGE HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	35.75 35.75
		30.70
109859		1,055.67
	HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	1,055.67
109860	PORTH/THOMAS	64.00

	GENERAL FUND	September 3, 2024 Minutes – Page 5 64.00
109861	PRAIRIE FORD, INC. WEED CONTROL FUND	354.22 354.22
109862	QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC GENERAL FUND	210.42 210.42
109863	RAMADA BISMARCK HOTEL GENERAL FUND	1,444.50 1,444.50
109864	RDO EQUIPMENT CO COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	20,960.66 20,960.66
109865	RICHLAND PUMP & SUPPLY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	254.30 254.30
109866	RYAN CHEVROLET GENERAL FUND	39.14 39.14
109867	SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO GENERAL FUND	25.99 25.99
109868	SORENSON/DESIREE J HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	381.74 381.74
109869	STANLEY AUTO & TRUCK GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	615.93 30.81 219.82 365.30
109870	STANLEY HARDWARE HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	159.99 159.99
109871	STANLEY WELDING GENERAL FUND	412.41 412.41
109872	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC GENERAL FUND	8,023.58 8,023.58
109873	THORNOCK/PATRICIA HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	71.02 71.02
109874	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	61.96 9.99 51.97
109875	TRUENORTH STEEL COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	3,093.04 3,093.04
109876	TY GUYS MOBILE DETAILING HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	825.00 825.00
109877	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC GENERAL FUND	1,207.50 1,207.50
109878	ULINE HUMAN SERVICE ZONE	2,372.20 2,372.20
109879	VERIZON WIRELESS GENERAL FUND WEED CONTROL FUND	158.88 100.54 58.34
109880	VESTIS GENERAL FUND COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	1,320.28 953.16 367.12
109881	WARD COUNTY AUDITOR COUNTY LIBRARY-BOOKMOBILE FUND	3,360.00 3,360.00

109882 WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

181.17 181.17

TOTAL \$ 1,273,788.13

J. 2025 BUDGETS

Discussion was held on 2025 budgets.

K. BOARD CONCERNS

Discussion was held on the old shop materials hauled to the Plaza City dump as they were not being allowed at the Stanley City dump. A county bulldozer may be needed to move the material. The Board expressed no objections.

3. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED

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 filed by JDE Holdings LLC, applicant in concurrence with Curtis Frey, Ronald Hintz, Brianna Winger, Vicky Miner, Timothy Hintz, Susan McClure, Diann & Lloyd Miller Trust, landowners for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Industrial for the purpose of a data center on a tract of land 3 acres, more or less, located in the NE¼ of Section 21, Township 154 North, Range 90 West (Austin Township).

Melissa Vachal, Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented the information from the July 22, 2024 Planning & Zoning Commission recommending to the Mountrail County Commissioners to table this zoning request until applicant submits all the required documentation necessary to move forth on this amendment request and their conditional use permit (CUP) request that is before the P&Z Commission. State's Attorney Enget mentioned the applicant also submitted a substantial change to the original CUP to use an immersion cooling system. The P&Z Commission wanted to obtain more information on immersion cooled facilities as there are none of this type in North Dakota.

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to table the zoning request filed by JDE Holdings LLC, applicant in concurrence with Curtis Frey, Ronald Hintz, Brianna Winger, Vicky Miner, Timothy Hintz, Susan McClure, Diann & Lloyd Miller Trust, landowners for an amendment to rezone a tract of land from Agricultural to Industrial for the purpose of a data center described as 3 acre, more or less, tract of land in the NE¼ of Section 21, Township 154 North, Range 90 West **(Austin Township)** until the P&Z makes their recommendation on this request. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

9:30 A.M.

Corey Bristol, Sheriff met with the board for a request from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve funding for a coroner's training for everyone within the Sheriff's Department to attend and also invite all the coroners within the state to attend with expense to be paid out of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds totaling \$7,200. Upon roll call, Ruland, DeGroot, Hollekim, Rice and Olson voted yes. Motion carried.

9:35 A.M.

Lori Hanson, Tax Director along with Dean Larson, EagleView Pictometry met to discuss the EagleView Pictometry Contract.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve signing the Amendment to Agreement dated December 15, 2021 between Pictometry International Corp. and Mountrail County to terminate the current contract with EagleView Pictometry. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Ruland, Rice, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. DeGroot, to approve signing a new 6-year aerial photography contract in the amounts of \$82,132.50 per year with EagleView Pictometry. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, Olson, Hollekim and DeGroot voted yes. Motion carried.

9:45 A.M.

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

1. ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD / AUSTIN BECKER

Engineer Hennessy along with Austin Becker, Engineer with Ackerman-Estvold discussed the 41st St. NW Project from ND#1804 west to Bluebird Drive @ Arrowhead Point Subdivision and updated board on the Right of Way (ROW) status for the CR9 Project from CR4/CR9 intersection north 4 miles to Burke County.

2. CR1 PROJECT #01(62)23 – Segment A: 3 miles north of Plaza to CR10 (53rd St NW), 8 miles and Segment B: CR10 to US#2, 10.2 miles

Engineer Hennessy along with John Sauber, Sauber Engineering spoke concerning the appraisal values for the 4 substantial differences in land values on CR 1 Project #01(62)23 (Segment A).

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the Right of Way acquisition for Mark Myers totaling \$25,338.27; Juli & Iris Eckman totaling \$17,986.51; Iris Eckman totaling \$29,703.02; Juli Eckman totaling \$4,317.02, due to values above \$25,000 for CR 1 Project #01(62)23. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, DeGroot, Ruland voted yes and Hollekim voted no. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. DeGroot, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the Right of Way acquisition for Bock Eckman totaling \$16,433.50 for CR 1 Project #01(62)23. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, DeGroot and Ruland voted yes and Hollekim voted no. Motion carried.

Engineer Hennessy along with Engineer Sauber presented the design options for CR 1 Project #01(62)23. Comm. Hollekim recommended removing the tentative dates in the project schedule to make sure there is funding available for projects that have been in design prior to this project.

Moved by Comm. Rice, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the design option Alternative B1 Segment A-Build alternative; reconstruct the existing roadway to meet the current county standard – county major collector paved surface; Segment B-Build alternative; reconstruct the existing roadway to meet current county standard – county major collector gravel surface for CR 1 Project #01(62)23. Upon roll call, DeGroot, Ruland, Olson, Hollekim and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

3. CR 3 PALERMO N PROJECT #03(71)23

Engineer Hennessy along with John Sauber, Engineer presented options for the CR 3 Palermo N Project #03(71)23 from CR 2 @ Palermo north to 69th St NW, 5.5 miles.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve a shoulder treatment to reshape the gravel shoulder to an 8:1 slope at an estimated cost totaling \$7,200 for CR 3 Palermo N Project #03(71)23. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, Hollekim, DeGroot and Ruland voted yes. Motion carried.

4. CR 4 PROJECT #04(74)24 (74th Ave NW from CR7/91st Ave NW west approximately 11 miles to Williams County Line)

Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve setting the appraisal values for right of way acquisition for crop land at \$2,100 per acre, non-cropland at \$1,000 per acre, temporary at \$300 per acre and fencing at \$4.50 per linear foot for CR 4 Project #04(74)24 based on data provided in the Market Study of Land Sales. Upon roll call, Ruland, Rice, DeGroot, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried. The Board had no objections to Comm. Rice participating in the vote as it was determined he has no direct benefit.

5. NDDOT BRIDGE INSPECTION/PROJECT #BRC-0099(012)

Engineer Hennessy presented to the board the letter from NDDOT with the progress billing and certification of local match on Project BRC-0099(012).

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

6. LETTER TO NDDOT/CHIP SEAL FEDERAL FUNDING PM2021

Engineer Hennessy presented the letter to NDDOT for Chip Seal Federal Funding PM2021.

7. SALT & SAND QUOTE

September 3, 2024 Minutes – Page 8 Moved by Comm. Hollekim, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve and utilize all quotes for salt & sand from Gravel Products and Sundre Sand & Gravel with utilizing lowest bidder first. Upon roll call, Rice, Ruland, DeGroot, Olson and Hollekim voted yes. Motion carried.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

Engineer Hennessy discussed utilizing county land along Highway 2 and 101st Ave NW for temporary storage of salt and sand without using a concrete pad. A berm would be constructed if this were allowed. The Board expressed no objections.

4. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 11:24 A.M. to meet in regular session on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. Accepted and approved this 17th day of September, 2024.

Trudy Ruland, Chairman

Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Commissioner

Mountrail County Auditor