County Commission Meeting October 3, 2023

 The board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. as set. County Commissioners present were Shannon Dieterle, Roddy Schilling and Sandra Felchle on zoom call. Others present were Allan Tinker, McClusky Gazette Editor

 Vice-Chairman Dieterle called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings were sent in the mail and emailed out. It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to approve the minutes as is, seconded by County Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote – Schilling – yes, Felchle – yes, Dieterle- yes Motion carried.

 The following Statement of fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds:

County Recorder, fees, $1,018.00

Sheriff, fees, $474.50

 The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of September, 2023:

 General Fund - $50,949.26 Unorganized Rd. Dist. - $2,522.41

 Highway Dist. - $16,462.70 Civil Defense - $2,031.15

 911- $1,892.80

 An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts are on file at the County Treasurer’s Office

 The September payroll warrants #79982-80014 were approved from the following funds:

 General -$40,594.35 Highway Dist. - $22,954.62

 Veteran Service Officer - $546.88 County Agent - $1,643.16

 Weed Control - $4,371.47 911 - $678.39

 Civil Defense - $652.30 Veteran’s Van Service - $1,887.00

 The following bills #80034-80080 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Aramark, 250.06; At-Scene LLC, 900.00; Bentz Supply Store, 640.62; Flyway 200, 477.58; Maertens Welding And Machine, 262.45; McClusky Gazette, 399.70; Samantha Demunbrun, 119.73; CNH Industrial Accts., 126.00; Contech Engineered Solutions, 6,341.60; WRT, 712.33; ND Association Of Counties, 96.94; Butler Machinery Company, 310.07; ODP Business Office Solutions, 531.29; Nordak North Publications, 228.00; ITD,782.15; Newman Traffic Signs, 132.22; McLean -Sheridan Rur. Water, 202.05; Intoximeter, 315.00;Power Plan, 1,094.24; Mechanics Plus, 75.94; Motorola Solutions, 243.00;Capital Trophy Inc., 143.00; A A &G Trucking, 5,236.50; Dakota Awards, Inc., 127.95; Menards, 250.63; HACTC, 80.00; Underground Vaults And Storage, 200.00; Visa, 1,642.26; Verizon Wireless, 440.14; Bryon Belile, 50.00; TASC Co New Business Dept.,298.05; McLean Family Resource Center, 61.10; Pharm Chem, Inc., 127.80; Sarah Crimmins, 644.16; Susag Sand And Gravel, Inc., 121.10; Hertz Funeral Home, 400.00; Lexipol LLC., 2,863.67; Wold Engineering, PC, 13,657.50; WRT, 236.24; Kotaco Fuel And Propane, 1,705.30; Purchase Power, 1,247.94; Axon Enterprises, Inc., 3,478.91; US Records Midwest, LLC, 1,108.22; Office Of Atty General,150.00; Suhr And Merkens Law, PLLC, 880.00

 Discussion of the Rural Water Resource Board per diem can be set by Rural Water Resource Board themselves and not by the County Commission as per NDCC that was changed in the 2013 Legislative session.

 It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to appoint Sarah Crimmins and Summer Blumhagen as State Fair delegates to represent Sheridan County, seconded by County Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote –Schilling – yes, Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes, Motion carried.

 A letter from the First District Health Dept., Minot, was read by the County Auditor directing the County to seal up a septic pipe in the W2SE4, NE4SE4 23-148-77 due to sewer drainage is going on adjacent landowner. The board instructed the County Auditor to write a reply back to First District Health Unit upon County States Attorney advisement that the County will not be pursuing any action until the land ownership is more clarified by Bravera Bank.

 The County Auditor reported two special alcohol permits to sell alcoholic beverages at special events were issued as follows:

Reunion, Inc. McClusky – Wedding dance held at the 4-H building on 09-09-23

 Morris Lounge, LLC, Drake - Wedding dance held at the Ryan Felchle farm 10-28-23

 An agreement with Baranko Brothers, Inc., Dickinson, for use and restoration of haul road was approved and signed by County Commissioner Dieterle for in Georgetown Twp. to haul material out of Isaac gravel pit for Pickard twp. farm to market road project.

 Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss the First District Health Unit letter

on the sewer drainage issue. Naser reported he has had some applicants for the deputy sheriff position to consider. Naser inquired to have a County Commissioner attend the interviews. County Commissioner Dieterle volunteered. The in-car cameras will be installed in January in the sheriff vehicles. IT personnel from NRG need to be on hand at the same time. Naser requested permission for extra IT personnel costs if needed above the contract costs. The board agreed to proceed. Naser did receive grant monies of $1,000 towards new taser guns from Bismarck gaming funds. Naser was instructed to look into a deputy sheriff vehicle replacement with State procurement program on when vehicles are available to order and amount. A reminder to truck drivers that the speed limit on rural roads is 45 mph.

 The time being 10:00 a.m. the County Budget was held for 2024. John & Sherry Bennett, McClusky, were present. The County Auditor presented the County Budget for 2024 with a 11.33% increase from last year. On a quarter of land valued at 83,024 on average, an estimated increase of property taxes would be around $35.99 for the County’s portion of property taxes. It was moved by County Commissioner Felchle, seconded by County Commissioner Schilling to approve the following Resolution setting the amount budgeted and calculating tax levies for the ensuing year for County purposes. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes, Schilling – yes The resolution was declared adopted. John and Sherry Bennett stated they are at 86% increase in property taxes from last year with the increased values in McClusky City. The County Auditor reported that they should have attended the McClusky City Council Equalization meeting in April to inquire about their values. The values increased mostly due to McClusky City has not had a city assessor that updated the values since before 2012 when Sherril Houser resigned from all tax assessor positions. The only way to change the value now is to apply for abatement of taxes when the tax statement comes out in December for the McClusky city assessor to re-look at the property.

FUND AMOUNT BUDGETED AMOUNT LEVIED

 Add Interim Fund &

 Deduct Estimated Revenues

General Fund $2,029,837.55 $949,460.68

Emergency (1.00 Mill) $124,000.00 $16,565.11

County Road (10.00 Mills) $170,000.00 $165,700.00

Veteran Service Officer $11,380.63 $11,290.63

Farm to Market (12.00) $210,000.00 $198,745.00

Unorganized Rd. Dists. $430,000.00 $280,920.00

County Agent $62,985.07 $47,112.21

Highway Tax Dist. (No Levy) $278,000.00 -0-

Health District $38,916.00 $38,616.00

Weed Control (3.00 Mills) $162,200.00 $49,790.00

Other Levies

Soil Cons. Dist. (2.00 Mills) $36,000.00 $36,000.00

HCRP (No Levy) $2,000.00 -0-

Emergency/911 (No Levy) $44,709.92 -0-

Senior Citizen (1 Mill Levy) $30,000.00 $16,500.00

Water Resource $67,125.00 $32,125.00

Historical Society (.25 Mill Levy) $4,500.00 $4,200.00

Garrison Div. Cons. Dist. (1.00 Mill) $76,000.00 $16,565.11

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2023

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ATTEST: Chairman, County Commission

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Auditor Commissioner

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 The County Auditor reported a bill from Deere Credit of $25,090.06 was received for the old 2018 JD 772G motorgrader that the lease ran out. The bill consists of $7,533.06 for July rent which the County had no fault in being new machine was not delivered yet and still not delivered to date. $6,630.00 for hours over the lease amount. $10,927.00 for damages to motorgader that was on high end rates. The board instructed the County Auditor to talk to the States Attorney on the bill if the County is liable to pay.

The County Auditor reported two building permits were issued this last month to:

Farmers Choice Seed, McClusky, - constructing a 50’x 60’cold storage addition –

 Lot 8 Section 10-146-77

NDIT, Bismarck – constructing a 12’x 20’ equipment shelter, cement slab & propane tank –

 E2SE4 3-147-78

 At this time the County Auditor presented photos of test spots of cement patches on the exterior courthouse walls that General Roofing and Construction, Carrington, did and will forward photos onto the ND State Historical Society. The colors of the patching is all the contractor had with them, so it will be better matched up to what is chosen. The Courthouse roofing project should start in two weeks.

 Byron Belile, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss the 2018 motorgrader lease and that RDO provided a loaner motorgrader in September that they had in Bismarck to use until new 2023 JD Motorgrader arrives at no cost. A conference call with Jennifer Heck at RDO Equipment to see if extra hours and damages, etc. can be calculated in the new motorgrader lease financing rather than another separate payment. Belile presented a quote from RDO Equipment, Bismarck on a used 2022 JD 325G track skidsteer with fork attachment and tree puller in the amount of $68,600.00 with trade-in of the 2003 JD Motorgrader at $30,000.00 for a net amount of $38,600.00. It was moved by County Commissioner Felchle to authorize Vice-Chairman Dieterle to sign off on RDO Equipment purchase order to hold the 2022 JD skidsteer for two weeks until financing info is received, seconded by County Commissioner Schilling. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Schilling – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.. The County Auditor will contact Bravera Bank, McClusky, and Stock Growers Public Finance, Forman, ND to get interest rates for payout on the 2018 JD Motorgrader from the Goodrich area and 2022 JD track skidsteer in the amount of $245,724 for 5 yr. loan. The electric items will be installed October 6th and the doors installed October 16th at the Martin shop. Discussion on the Goodrich operator’s work has improved and was recommended for .50 probation increase for this October payroll.

 The County Auditor reported CPT (Counties Providing Technology) from MN is available for another software program to consider for the County accounting. They will be sending pricing info for next month’s meeting.

 At this time the real estate forfeited to the County for non-payment of 2020-2022 taxes were reviewed. It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to set the minimum sale price as follows, seconded by County Commissioner Felchle Upon roll call vote – Schilling – yes, Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.

DESCRIPTION MINIMUM SALE PRICE

Tract in SW4SW4 Edwin Johnson $100.00

6-146-75 General Delivery

Parcel #03-06-3666-040 Denhoff, ND 58430

Lot 3, Block 9 Kieth Geinger $50.00

Original, Denhoff PO Box 102

Parcel #3-0100-03814-000 Robinson, ND 58478

Lots 4-5-6-7, Block 9 Kieth Geinger $75.00

Original, Denhoff PO Box 102

Parcel #3-0100-03816-000 Robinson, ND 58478

Lots 8-9, Block 9 Kieth Geinger $75.00

Original, Denhoff PO Box 102

Parcel #3-0100-03816-010 Robinson, ND 58478

Part of Lot 2, Blk. 19 Everett D. Jr. & Samantha Flynn $450.00

Wittmayers, Goodrich City PO Box 4

Parcel #31-104-3560-000 Goodrich, ND 58444

Part of Lots 2 & 3, Blk. 19 Everett D. Jr. & Samantha Flynn $325.00

Wittmayers, Goodrich City PO Box 4

Parcel #31-104-3561-000 Goodrich, ND 58444

Lots 4-5-6, Block 1 Everett D. Jr. & Samantha Flynn $400.00

West, Goodrich City PO Box 4

Parcel #31-103-3543-10 Goodrich, ND 58444

Lots 12-13, Block 17 Nicholas Leonard Sax $4,500.00

Mauch’s, Goodrich City N5647 1190th Str.

Parcel #31-106-3595 Prescott, WI 54021

The County Agent narrative for September 2023 was reviewed and filed. Crimmins assisted with SCD 7th grade tour in Towner and helped with the Artificial Insemination (AI) camp in Washburn in September. The Sheridan county awards banquet is scheduled for October 15th and National 4-H week is October 1-7. Crimmins will be going to the McClusky-Goodrich School to visit with youth about 4-H. The Extension office is hosting a county-wide coloring contest and week of activities and dress-up days for National 4-H week. The 4-H fun run will be held October 14th and 4-H food drive November 8-10th. In Extension ag programming, sunflower surveying was completed to know yield potential, limiting factors, disease and insect issues, and general agronomic qualities. Crimmins also collected wheat midge samples, drought monitoring, weekly crop progress & outlook surveys and Livestock in service. In general extension, the second Women In Ag Series will start October 18th to learn about livestock operation/stewardship, grazing, and conservation.

 The County Auditor reported a FEMA cybersecurity grant was awarded to Sheridan County for a new computer server with installation in the amount of $24,800.00 with 10% cost share by the County. Three quotes were received as follows:

NRG, Bismarck, Server hardware & software, licenses, and installation $22,144.35

Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Server hardware & software, licenses, and installation $25,913.76

SHI, New Jersey, Server hardware & software and licenses, no installation $15,729.88

The ND Dept of Emergency services approved NRG’s quote if Sheridan County also approves. It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to approve the NRG server quote in the amount of $22,144.35, seconded by County Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote- Schilling – yes, Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.

County Commissioner Schilling reported the south grade of farm to market road in Pickard Twp. is half done.

Meeting adjourned.

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 Auditor Chairman

County Commission Special Meeting October 13, 2023

 The Board of County Commissioners met in special session at 9:00 a.m. as set. County Commissioners present were Shannon Dieterle and Roddy Schilling. Absent: Sandra Felchle Others

present were Allan Tinker, McClusky Gazette Editor

 Vice-Chairman Shannon Dieterle called the meeting to order. Dieterle stated the purpose of the special meeting was to consider purchase of 2022 JD Skidsteer and review loan interest rates, approve County Deed to previous owner and consider approval road work estimate #2 completed by contractor on Pickard farm to market road.

 The Auditor presented interest rates from the following banks:

Stock Growers Public Finance, Forman – 5 yr. @ 5.35% or 6 yr. @ 5.40%

Bravera Bank, McClusky - 5 yr. or 6 yr. @ 6.29%

 It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to approve Stock Growers Public Finance interest rate of 5.35% for five years to purchase a 2022 JD Skidsteer at $31,100 from RDO Equipment, Bismarck, after trade in of 2003 Motorgrader for $37,500 and to buy out lease of 2018 JD Motorgrader from the Goodrich area to have as a backup Motorgrader in the amount of $207,124.39 for a total of $238,224.39 to be financed, seconded by County Commissioner Dieterle. Upon roll call vote – Schilling – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.

 It was moved by County Commissioner Schilling to authorize the Vice-Chairman and the County Auditor to sign off on a Quit Claim Deed by County to Kieth Gienger and Lori A. Rath for Lots 3-9, Blk. 9 Original, Denhoff Village for re-purchasing as previous owner by paying all three delinquent years of taxes, seconded by County Commissioner Dieterle. Upon roll call vote – Schilling – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.

 County Commissioner Schilling reported the south detour grade on the Pickard twp. farm to market road is nearly completed and the contractors are starting on the north detour grade. The 2nd estimate of contractor work on the Pickard twp. road project was approved and signed off on.

 The meeting adjourned.

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