

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 5, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with Commissioners Arthaud, Kasian, and Kessel in attendance.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Road Superintendent Jeff Iverson, Sheriff Pat Rummel, Chief Deputy Sheriff Jason Kastrow, Recorder/Clerk of Court Donna Adams, Roy Krivoruchka, Carl Rohde, Bobby Olstad, Jim Gray, Kurt Froehlich, Doug Ellison, Carla Steffen, Ashley Ross, Andrew Krebs.

Kessel moved to approve the minutes from the March 1, 2016 regular meeting. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Auditor Lamb presented the quarterly pledge report. Kasian moved to approve as presented. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

The board reviewed a letter of support for the replacement of the Long X Bridge to the US Department of Transportation. Kessel moved to send the letter from Billings County. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Road Superintendent Jeff Iverson presented his monthly report.

Bobby Olstad from Dakota Insurance went over the annual insurance review and increase in premiums. Kessel moved to approve the annual insurance coverage. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Sheriff Rummel was present and discussed the Hazard Mitigation Plan. In previous years, Roosevelt Custer Regional Council reviewed and made updates to the plan. Should they receive a grant to do the same this year, the board will revisit topic.

The board reviewed zoning requests that had been addressed by the zoning board at their March 17, 2016 meeting as follows:

Roy Krivoruchka: Application for a Variance to allow an industrial use in an agricultural district, W1/2NE1/4 section 14-141-98 (12150 26th St SW). Discussion ensued on the travel route to the property and number of rigs to be stored at the site. The zoning board approved the variance with the condition that hauling routes will be approved by the road superintendent. Roy Krivoruchka was present to answer questions regarding the application. Kessel inquired regarding the possible removal of Billings County chips and sand that are located on Roy's property. Roy left the meeting. Arthaud moved to approve the one year variance for 20 acres of storage. Kessel seconded. Arthaud and Kessel voted aye. Kasian voted nay. Motion passed.

Sandy Baertsch: Application for an indoor riding arena on a 37.30 acre portion of the SE1/4 south & east of the Little Missouri river section 28-140-102 (14702 River Dr). The property is zoned agricultural and all setbacks are in line. Tax & Zoning Director Stacey Swanson informed the board that since the building would be used for personal use and is agricultural it is exempt from the building inspection process. The zoning board approved the application for personal use. Kasian moved to approve the application. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

Steve Klym: Application to renew a conditional use permit to have a duplex temporary housing unit on a 6.44 acre tract in the NW1/4 23-140-100 (3310 134th Ave SW). Property is zoned commercial. The zoning board approved the conditional use permit. Kessel moved to uphold the zoning board decision. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Stacey discussed a workshop that was presented by Karen Budd-Falen through the NW Landowner's Association. Chairman Arthaud requested that Swanson receive a quote to review and update Billings County's land use plan with Karen Budd-Falen.

Kurt Froehlich was present to introduce Jim Grey as the new SW District Director of the NDSU Extension Service.

Mayor Doug Ellison and City of Medora Auditor were present to discuss the tennis courts. After discussion regarding the \$200,000 estimated cost to fix, and the fact that neither the county nor city have a park district with levied mills, they stated that the City of Medora has committed 100K for the work. Mayor Ellison also stated that in 2015, the City upgraded the pool at a cost of \$186K. They stated that the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation said they would be inclined to landscape and beautify the area. Chairman Arthaud stated that he would like them to meet with the engineer once more, to see if there was a more cost effective way to fix the courts. No decision was made at this time.

Auditor Lamb presented information regarding the upcoming Primary and General Elections and the shortage of election volunteers. This has been an ongoing struggle for the county in finding volunteers that are able to train

and work on those weekdays. She also went over the vote-by-mail process that is used in over 30 counties in ND. It is similar to absentee voting, however, the Auditor's office will send an application to every active voter in the county, and others may request the applications. After discussion regarding polling places potentially being closed, Kessel moved to approve vote by mail and the Fairfield Fire Hall and County Courthouse in Medora to be the polling places for 2016-17 elections. All voters in Billings County will have the option to vote-by-mail or to vote at either polling place, regardless of precinct that they reside. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Ashley Ross was present from KLJ to discuss the Little Missouri River Crossing. She stated that additional field work will begin around April 18.

Andrew Krebs was present from KLJ to go over the monthly engineers report.

The following claims were approved for payment:

| PAYEE | CHECK # | AMOUNT |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D. | 011005 | \$ 3,063.40 |
| N.D. P.E.R.S. | 011006 | \$ 48,564.48 |
| Acme Tools | 011007 | \$ 599.99 |
| Adams, Donna | 011008 | \$ 62.34 |
| Alternative Sanitation | 011009 | \$ 220.00 |
| American Welding & Gas | 011010 | \$ 140.26 |
| AmeriPride Linen Service | 011011 | \$ 758.98 |
| Aspen Mills | 011012 | \$ 242.24 |
| A T & T Mobility | 011013 | \$ 74.92 |
| Bauer Built Tire | 011014 | \$ 60.00 |
| Beach Veterinary Clinic | 011015 | \$ 180.00 |
| BEK Communications | 011016 | \$ 20,162.73 |
| Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc. | 011017 | \$ 1,553.71 |
| Best Energy | 011018 | \$ 56.36 |
| Billings County Rural Fire District | 011019 | \$ 3,086.81 |
| Billings County Auditor | 011020 | \$ 10.00 |
| Billings County Pioneer | 011021 | \$ 438.52 |
| Billings County School District | 011022 | \$ 32,589.64 |
| Billings County Sheriff | 011023 | \$ 329.87 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D. | 011024 | \$ 92.10 |
| Bridger, Gina | 011025 | \$ 15.00 |
| Bridger, James K. | 011026 | \$ 15.00 |
| Brooks & Associates, C. E. | 011027 | \$ 3,460.98 |
| Buffalo Gap, Inc. | 011028 | \$ 109.95 |
| Butler Machinery Co. | 011029 | \$ 863.77 |
| Cerkoney, Cathy | 011030 | \$ 87.80 |
| Chad's Automotive Clinic | 011031 | \$ 875.65 |
| Connors, Ian | 011032 | \$ 368.59 |
| Creative Energy | 011033 | \$ 378.56 |
| D & K Services, LLC | 011034 | \$ 1,728.40 |
| Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc. | 011035 | \$ 4,408.09 |
| Dakota Insurance | 011036 | \$ 91,435.00 |
| Dakota Sports | 011037 | \$ 13.49 |
| Dan's Interstate Conoco, Inc. | 011038 | \$ 42.55 |
| Darby's Welding & Machine, Inc. | 011039 | \$ 2,249.13 |
| DF Lighting Company | 011040 | \$ 239.75 |
| Diamond Truck Equipment | 011041 | \$ 309.40 |
| Dickinson Public Library | 011042 | \$ 3,224.04 |
| East End Auto & Truck Parts | 011043 | \$ 100.00 |
| Fastenal Company | 011044 | \$ 361.73 |
| Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. | 011045 | \$ 61.20 |
| Fisher Industries | 011046 | \$ 321.30 |
| Four Corners Café | 011047 | \$ 225.00 |
| Gall's, Inc. | 011048 | \$ 149.69 |
| General Steel & Supply Co. | 011049 | \$ 144.77 |
| George's Tire, Ltd. | 011050 | \$ 6,338.00 |
| Golden Valley County | 011051 | \$ 19,730.29 |
| Hedahls Parts Plus | 011052 | \$ 950.68 |
| Hidden Springs Java | 011053 | \$ 83.88 |
| Hintz, Kadon | 011054 | \$ 731.00 |
| Hintz, Kadon | 011055 | \$ 11,000.00 |
| J and J Operating, LLC | 011056 | \$ 4,513.08 |
| J P Steel & Supply, Inc. | 011057 | \$ 1,097.00 |
| Kadrmas, Lee, & Jackson, Inc. | 011058 | \$ 113,401.11 |
| Kasian, Connie | 011059 | \$ 82.40 |
| Kasian, Michael E. | 011060 | \$ 106.92 |
| Kessel, Anita F. | 011061 | \$ 93.20 |
| Kessel, Joseph L. | 011062 | \$ 217.94 |
| Kevin's Auto & Truck Repair | 011063 | \$ 749.75 |
| Kohler Communications | 011064 | \$ 1,319.03 |
| Kreb's Machine & Repair | 011065 | \$ 133.83 |
| Krush, Paul | 011066 | \$ 95.36 |
| Lamb, Marcia | 011067 | \$ 56.16 |
| Logan Equity Pure Trust, Russel E. | 011068 | \$ 984.60 |
| Lyle Signs | 011069 | \$ 5,724.00 |
| Mac's, Inc. | 011070 | \$ 33.03 |
| Matthew Bender & Co., Inc. | 011071 | \$ 122.70 |
| Medora Convenience Store | 011072 | \$ 41.30 |
| Medora, City of... | 011073 | \$ 683.84 |
| Menards - Dickinson | 011074 | \$ 328.93 |

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| Mid-American Research Chemical | 011075 | \$ | 130.36 |
| Midstate Telephone Company | 011076 | \$ | 983.34 |
| Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc. | 011077 | \$ | 10,511.83 |
| Mustang Pipeline N Construction | 011078 | \$ | 500.00 |
| N.D. Association of Counties | 011079 | \$ | 43.34 |
| N.D. State Radio Communications | 011080 | \$ | 1,586.52 |
| N.D. State Treasurer | 011081 | \$ | 563.35 |
| NDACO Resources Group, Inc. | 011082 | \$ | 8,082.80 |
| NDACO Resources Group, Inc. | 011083 | \$ | 1,840.19 |
| N.D. Assoc. of County Superintendents | 011084 | \$ | 50.00 |
| Nelson International | 011085 | \$ | 4,304.47 |
| Newby's Ace Hardware | 011086 | \$ | 85.08 |
| Northern Plains Engineering, LLC | 011087 | \$ | 2,872.50 |
| Obrigewitch, Clifford A. | 011088 | \$ | 1,000.00 |
| Off Road Software, Inc. | 011089 | \$ | 695.00 |
| Physical Sciences, Inc. | 011090 | \$ | 345.00 |
| Pizza Ranch | 011091 | \$ | 122.86 |
| Projects Pros, LLC | 011092 | \$ | 982.00 |
| Pump Systems, Inc. | 011093 | \$ | 20.10 |
| Putnam, Karen | 011094 | \$ | 51.08 |
| Quality Quick Print | 011095 | \$ | 40.00 |
| Radtke Services, LLC | 011096 | \$ | 100.00 |
| RDO Trust 80-5800 | 011097 | \$ | 8,454.71 |
| Respond Systems | 011098 | \$ | 649.25 |
| Romanyshyn, Curt G. | 011099 | \$ | 135.31 |
| Runnings Supply, Inc. | 011100 | \$ | 288.59 |
| Sabrosky, Delry & Cynthia | 011101 | \$ | 100.00 |
| Sax Motor Co. | 011102 | \$ | 1,158.50 |
| SimplexGrinnell | 011103 | \$ | 1,848.22 |
| Southwest Business Machines | 011104 | \$ | 704.16 |
| Southwest Water Authority | 011105 | \$ | 338.87 |
| Southwest Water Authority | 011106 | \$ | 528.37 |
| Southwestern District Health Unit | 011107 | \$ | 1,307.60 |
| Swanson, Stacey | 011108 | \$ | 55.30 |
| Tab Electronics | 011109 | \$ | 107.50 |
| Tczap, John | 011110 | \$ | 50.00 |
| Thos. T. Pickett & Co., Inc. | 011111 | \$ | 15,000.00 |
| Tom's Service Center | 011112 | \$ | 1,863.50 |
| Total Safety U.S., Inc. | 011113 | \$ | 168.53 |
| U P S Store | 011114 | \$ | 119.03 |
| Verizon Wireless | 011115 | \$ | 2,737.09 |
| Wal-Mart | 011116 | \$ | 648.48 |
| Wallwork Truck Center | 011117 | \$ | 166.11 |
| Warne Chemical & Equipment Co. | 011118 | \$ | 802.03 |
| West Dakota Oil, Inc. | 011119 | \$ | 4,831.47 |
| Westlie Truck Center | 011120 | \$ | 2,719.61 |
| Zoll Medical Corp. | 011121 | \$ | 1,020.00 |
| N.D.P.E.R.S. | 011122 | \$ | 4,797.12 |
| Job Service North Dakota | 011125 | \$ | 2,801.68 |
| N.D. P.E.R.S. | 011127 | \$ | 33,970.56 |
| Century Link | 011132 | \$ | 544.58 |
| Consolidated | 011133 | \$ | 63.14 |
| Discovery Benefits, Inc. | 011134 | \$ | 84.00 |
| Information Technology Dept. | 011135 | \$ | 659.25 |
| Medora, City of... | 011136 | \$ | 285.88 |
| Reservation Telephone Cooperative | 011137 | \$ | 40.00 |
| Roughrider Electric Cooperative | 011138 | \$ | 2,729.18 |
| Verizon Wireless | 011139 | \$ | 30.06 |
| Visa | 011140 | \$ | 3,209.79 |
| Visa | 011141 | \$ | <u>595.53</u> |

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of March: Recorder \$1,893.26; Zoning \$3,434.00; Court \$10.00; Sheriff \$56.00.

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in March: Kasey Malkowski \$189.00 gravel; Ken Obrigewitch \$447.60 gravel & hauling; Beach Community Ambulance \$23,455.81 Paramedic services 2015; Ed Romanyshyn \$2,315.25 rock; Jerry Anheluk \$527.50 gravel & hauling; WEED SPRAYING: ND Department of Transportation \$10,390.43.

Revenues for the month of March: Sheriff \$10,059.20 overload fees; Sheriff \$2,983.20 permits; BLM Minerals \$194,014.77 Highway Tax Distribution \$11,577.59; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$150,384.75; Dept. of Trust Lands \$42,946.65; Interest \$3,344.15; State Aid to Library \$6,550.40; Royalties \$14,544.67; Unorganized Oil & Gas Production Tax \$27,736.52; Telecommunications Tax \$24,310.85; State Oil Impact \$16,122.62; Plats \$115.03

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for March: General Fund \$138,568.12; Road and Bridge Fund \$109,631.54; Weed Fund \$9,971.94.

With there being no further business, Kasian moved to adjourn the meeting 1:30P.M. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Attest: _____

Marcia Lamb, Auditor/Treasurer