

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 2, 2009**

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

Arthaud moved to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2009 regular meeting. Thompson seconded.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Craig Kubas; Dave Jurgens; Jennifer Illich; Clint Schneider; Todd Solem; Mark Schields; John Hild; Nathan Sorenson; James Odermann; Mary Massad; Harold Hugelen; Lynn Arthaud; Dana Wanner; Jay Brovold; Donna Adams; Brent Seaks; Loren Myran; Darrell Dorgan; Pat Weir; Forest Service personnel Tina Thornton, Ron Jablonski, Russ Walsh, Zack Verlinde, and Curt Glassoe;

Jennifer Illich with Stark/Billings Family Nutrition Program met with the board with the annual support summary. Kasian moved to approve the annual in-kind support. Arthaud seconded

Thompson moved to appoint Perry Redmond to a four year term on the weed board, filling the position vacated by Dwight Hecker. Arthaud seconded.

Kasian moved to re-appoint Tom Redmond to another four year term on the weed board. Thompson seconded.

Arthaud moved to re-appoint Gwen Egly to another 3 year term on the social service board. Thompson seconded.

Todd Solem and Mark Schields with NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) met with the board concerning areas where riverbank stabilization may be necessary. The program they are representing can help with areas where the river is threatening life, residential property or commercial property. Others present for the meeting were Clint Schneider, James Odermann, John Hild, Nathan Sorenson, Mary Massad, Harold Hugelen, Lynn Arthaud, Brent Seaks, Loren Myran, and Dave Jurgens.

The board was presented with results of the damage assessments that were done to identify potential problem areas. Four sites were identified. 1) In the northern part of the county near the Goldsberry ranch where the river is encroaching on the road. 2) Near Clint Schneider's ranch site where the river is threatening the yard and road. 3) TRMF – riverbank near the golf course 4) Near Badlands Ministries and Harold Hugelen area where the river channel has changed course.

The average cost of riverbank stabilization is \$500 per linear foot. The cost share ratio is 75% project funding and 25% landowner/sponsor, upon eligibility confirmation of the sites. Billings County would need to be the sponsor and lead agency for the project. The deadline for having the applications submitted is June 15, 2009. Kasian moved to support the project and be the project sponsor. Arthaud seconded. All voted aye.

State's Attorney Jay Brovold presented the board with the contract between the county and city to provide housing for the ambulance director/paramedic. The county will provide the funding for the house, and the city will repay the county within a ten year period. Arthaud moved to approve the contract. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

11:30 – 1:00 P.M. The board recessed for lunch.

Lynn Arthaud informed the board that the zoning board reviewed an application from Morey Bang for a trailer park south of Medora. The zoning board tabled the application until more information is presented. Thompson moved to uphold the zoning board decision to table the application. Arthaud seconded.

Forest Service personnel Tina Thornton, Ron Jablonski, Russ Walsh, Zack Verlinde, and Curt Glassoe met with the board for their annual review of roads, scoria pits, fire suppression, and other projects. The master agreement with the Forest Service needs to be updated with an expiration date and commissioner names. The board will forward this to legal counsel for review.

At 2:00 P.M., the board recessed as the Board of County Commissioners and convened as the County Board of Equalization. Tax Director Lynn Arthaud and Deputy Tax Director Dana Wanner reported on the county valuations. Arthaud moved to approve the assessments and valuations as presented. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

At 2:25 P.M., the board adjourned as the County Board of Equalization and reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Darrell Dorgan with the North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame requested the board consider purchasing the other half of the meeting room with an additional \$250,000 donation. The board didn't feel that they could do that at this time.

Craig Kubas with Kadrmas Lee & Jackson provided the board with the monthly engineers report.

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of May: County Recorder \$5,400.00 May Collections; Sheriff \$408.09 May Collections; Clerk of Court \$213.00 County Fees and \$2,108.40 State Fees

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in May: Beth Clyde \$155.86 scoria & trucking; John Evoniuk \$102.90 scoria; Kurt Kordon \$188.93 scoria & trucking; Joe Kessel \$65.50 dental premium; William Kessel \$192.60 scoria & trucking; Doug Hendrickson \$377.85 scoria & trucking; Ted Tescher \$627.38 scoria & trucking; Al Schaefer \$96.00 used bridge plank; Roger Decker \$124.25 gravel & trucking; Dakota Cyclery \$60.00 computer rental; James Arthaud \$500.63 scoria & trucking; Martha Hlebechuk \$671.23 weed spraying; Hallie Lavelle \$65.50; Donna Adams \$20.00 copies.

Revenues for the month of May: State of North Dakota \$3,208.79 EMPG grant; State of North Dakota \$5,131.00 DEM equipment grant; Highway Tax Distribution \$4,484.32; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$60,619.45; Interest \$73,636.06; Permits \$5,580.00; Royalties \$29,959.71

The following claims were approved for payment:

A-1 Raingutters	Shop Raingutters	95181	\$	3,572.00	1
Adams, Donna	Clerk of Court – Travel	95182	\$	175.50	
Airon Corporation	Paramedic Equipment	95183	\$	1,162.43	
Alternative Sanitation	Haul Waste	95184	\$	141.00	1, 2, 3
AmeriPride Linen Service	Mat Rentals	95185	\$	85.70	3
Baranko Brothers, Inc.	Blade Roads	95186	\$	7,872.00	1
Baranko, Loren	Pesticide Training	95187	\$	75.00	Weed
Billings County Rural Fire District	Taxes	95188	\$	78.15	
Billings Count Pioneer	Publishing	95189	\$	523.38	2, G, W
Billings County School District	Weed – Shop Rent	95190	\$	300.00	Weed
Billings County School District	Taxes	95191	\$	47,457.11	
Billings County Sheriff	Travel Expenses	95192	\$	108.00	
Beall Corporation	Parts & Supplies	95193	\$	20.80	1
Beicegel Station	Cattleguard Repairs	95194	\$	5,376.00	1
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95195	\$	1,397.69	1, 2, 3, W, G
Belfield Plumbing & Heating	Courthouse Remodeling	95196	\$	5,126.38	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	Dental & Vision Premiums	95197	\$	1,771.50	1, 2, 3, G, W
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Paramedic Equipment	95198	\$	452.31	
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	Land Use Plan – Travel Mgmt.	95199	\$	470.70	
Brovold, Jay V.	States Attorney – Travel	95200	\$	358.87	
Bomstad Estate, Burnette O.	Auditor & Tax Director Binders	95201	\$	718.70	
Butler Machinery Company, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95202	\$	46.19	1
Cass County Treasurer	Document Preservation Fund	95203	\$	105.00	
Cerkoney, Cathy	Zoning Meeting Mileage	95204	\$	70.00	
Chesak Seed House	Ash Coulee Road	95205	\$	322.50	2
Clyde, Sam	Pesticide Training	95206	\$	80.00	Weed
CMI, Inc.	S.O. – Safety Supplies	95207	\$	77.30	
Coca-Cola Bottling Company	Soda Pop	95208	\$	115.46	
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	Tax Director & S.O. – Travel	95209	\$	330.00	
Corn Belt Manufacturing, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95210	\$	32.75	3
D & D Sprinkler Systems	Courthouse – Sprinkler Repairs	95211	\$	1,766.95	
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	J.D. Tractor Rental	95212	\$	2,925.00	1
Dakota Insurance	Property Insurance	95213	\$	567.00	2, 3
Dakota Water Treatment	Water System	95214	\$	25.00	1
Dallmann Services Company	Highway – Lines	95215	\$	9,733.56	3
Dan's Interstate Conoco	S. O. – Gas	95216	\$	306.51	
Dickinson Public Library	Library Services	95217	\$	2,274.50	
Doublewood Inn – Bismarck	Commissioner – Travel	95218	\$	110.00	
East End Auto & Truck Parts	S.O. – Impound Abandoned Vehicles	95219	\$	530.00	
Emergency Medical Products, Inc.	Paramedic & Ambulance Supplies	95220	\$	1,923.46	
Evoniuk, Ashlynn	Pesticide Training	95221	\$	80.00	Weed
Farmers Union Oil Company	Diesel, Gas, & Shop Supplies	95222	\$	6,555.43	1, 3

Fastenal Company	Construction Materials	95223	\$	138.33	1
Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.	Water Tanks Set-Up	95224	\$	2,839.52	1, 2
Fisher Industries	Blacktail Road – Sand	95225	\$	20,783.84	2
Fisher Industries	Gravel Crushing	95226	\$	189,532.10	1
Frontier Precision, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95227	\$	226.10	3
George's Tire, LTD.	Tire Repair	95228	\$	676.00	3
Golden Valley County	Social Service	95229	\$	5,379.03	
Heartland Engineering	Blacktail Road	95230	\$	7,906.78	2
Heiser Electric, Don	Courthouse – Electrical Repairs	95231	\$	187.18	
Hoffman Auction Company	94' Int'l Spreader Truck	95232	\$	14,500.00	3
Institute of Local Government	Auditor – ILG Class Fees	95233	\$	240.00	
J's Muffler Shop	Parts & Supplies	95234	\$	12.00	3
JP Frame Shop	Supt. of Schools – Photo	95235	\$	101.16	
JP Steel & Supply	Construction Supplies	95236	\$	588.75	1, 3
Jurgens, Dave	S.O. – Travel	95237	\$	152.50	
Jurgens, Joan	Auditor – Travel	95238	\$	179.68	
Jurgens, Ken	Courthouse – Custodial Help	95239	\$	157.50	
Kadrmas, Lee, & Jackson, Inc.	Engineering Services	95240	\$	5,942.31	1
Kadrmas, Connie M.	Dakota Programs Seminar	95241	\$	152.00	
Kasian, Connie J.	Zoning Meeting Mileage	95242	\$	65.00	
Kasian, Kim	Pesticide Training	95243	\$	80.00	Weed
Kasian, Mike	Commissioner – Mileage	95244	\$	348.00	2
Kessel, Anita F.	Zoning Meeting Mileage	95245	\$	75.00	
Krush, Paul	Zoning Meeting Mileage	95246	\$	77.00	
LaDuke, Joe	Zoning Meeting Mileage	95247	\$	35.00	
Lake Country Stitches	S.O. – Uniforms	95248	\$	36.00	
Lindbo Welding Service	Cattleguard Repairs	95249	\$	616.00	2
Med Alliance Group, Inc.	Ambulance Supplies	95250	\$	1,057.34	
Medora, City of...	Paramedic Housing Loan	95251	\$	150,000.00	
Medora, City of...	Taxes	95252	\$	44.29	
Midstate Telephone Company	Courthouse – Telephone Service	95253	\$	964.14	
Midstate Communications	Supt. of Schools – Telephone	95254	\$	38.84	
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	Gas, Oil, & Diesel Fuel	95255	\$	16,978.75	2, 3, G
N.D. Association of Counties	Workers Comp. Premium	95256	\$	157.36	
N.D. Association of Counties	911 Taxes	95257	\$	193.53	
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	Meeting Room Maintenance	95258	\$	200.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Health Insurance Premium	95259	\$	22,328.93	1, 2, 3, G, W
N.D. State Treasurer	Clerk of Court Fees	95260	\$	1,903.62	
Never Enough Thyme	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	95261	\$	567.24	
Newby's Ace Hardware	Parts & Supplies	95262	\$	378.03	1, G, W
Northern Improvement Co., Inc.	Omega Mix	95263	\$	1,188.75	3
Northwest Tire, Inc.	Tires	95264	\$	5,582.98	2, 3
Off Road Software, Inc.	GIS Software	95265	\$	1,400.00	
OK Tire Stores	Tires	95266	\$	257.48	3
Parkway Ford Lincoln Mercury	Parts & Repairs	95267	\$	736.34	1
Praxair	Parts & Supplies	95268	\$	300.96	3
Precision Machine & Welding	Parts & Repairs	95269	\$	140.00	3
Pro Tint	S.O. – Parts & Repairs	95270	\$	180.00	
Public Safety Center, Inc.	Paramedic Equipment	95271	\$	246.59	
Pump Systems, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95272	\$	116.10	3, W
Pure Country Custom Embroidery	S.O. – Uniforms	95273	\$	54.00	
Ramkota Hotel – Bismarck	Auditor – Travel	95274	\$	55.00	
Reds Fixit Shop, LLC	Weed – Equipment	95275	\$	49.00	Weed
Respond Systems	Courthouse – Supplies	95276	\$	76.59	
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Electricity	95277	\$	1,752.00	1, 2, 3, G
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Water Tank Service	95278	\$	1,000.00	1
Rummel, Patrick	S.O. – Travel	95279	\$	32.50	
Runnings Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95280	\$	638.01	1, 2, 3, W
Southwest Business Machines	Office Supplies	95281	\$	536.26	
Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95282	\$	264.17	1, 3
South Heart Auto Service	Parts & Repairs	95283	\$	867.60	1, 2, 3
Sherwin – Williams	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	95284	\$	175.44	
Superpumper, Inc.	S.O. – Gas	95285	\$	43.00	
Susag Sand & Gravel, Inc.	Blacktail Road – Chips	95286	\$	53,374.35	2
Southwestern District Health Unit	Taxes	95287	\$	26.75	
Southwest Water Authority	Taxes	95288	\$	8.62	
Southwest Water Authority	Water Usage	95289	\$	247.59	2, 3
Team Laboratory Chemical Corp.	Base Totes	95290	\$	101,010.00	2
Thompson, Allan T.	Commissioner – Mileage	95291	\$	260.50	1
Tom's Service Center	S.O. – Gas, Oil-X, & Service	95292	\$	200.45	
Tractor & Equipment Company	Parts & Repairs	95293	\$	1,195.07	1
Vogel Law Firm	Legal Services	95294	\$	955.00	
Wal-Mart	Supplies	95295	\$	295.28	
Wanner, Dana	Tax Director – Travel	95296	\$	225.00	
Wanner Western Wear	S.O. – Uniforms	95297	\$	4.50	
West Plains, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	95298	\$	275.60	3
Western Fire & Safety, Inc.	Safety Supplies	95299	\$	298.00	Weed
Westlie Truck Center	Parts & Supplies	95300	\$	66.31	3
Wilson Supply	Parts & Supplies	95301	\$	20.72	3
Wosepka Auto Service	Parts & Repairs	95302	\$	147.00	1
Zoll Medical Corporation	Paramedic Equipment	95303	\$	26,258.30	
N.D. Department of Transportation	Title Fees	95304	\$	5.00	2
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	95305	\$	169.98	2, G

Alltel	Cellular Service	95358	\$	508.26	1, 3, G
American Family Life Assurance	Premium	95359	\$	674.82	
Consolidated	Internet Service	95360	\$	238.45	2, 3, W
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Administrative Fees	95361	\$	85.00	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Premium	95362	\$	1,918.35	
Information Technology Dept.	S.O. – T-1 Line	95363	\$	416.60	
Medora, City of...	Courthouse – Utilities	95364	\$	202.75	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Deferred Comp. Premium	95365	\$	4,039.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S	Retirement	95366	\$	10,411.20	1, 2, 3, G, W
N.D. Teachers Fund	Retirement	95367	\$	208.70	
Prudential	Deferred Comp. Premium	95368	\$	50.00	
Qwest	Telephone Service	95369	\$	308.77	1, 2, 3, G, W
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Telephone Service	95370	\$	53.11	1, 2, 3, G
Visa	Computer/Paramedic Equipment	95371	\$	3,908.58	

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for May: General Fund \$63,005.32; Road and Bridge Fund \$64,482.77; Weed Fund \$2,907.13; Flood Emergency \$7,566.65

With there being no further business, Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting 3:20 P.M. Arthaud seconded.

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Michael E. Kasian, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer