

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 5, 2010**

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

Thompson moved to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2010 regular meeting. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Tim Solberg, Matthew Remyse, Rod Landblom, Terrald Bang, Thorris Sandvick, Tim Kelly, Pat Rummel, Dave Jurgens, Joe Kessel, Jay Brovold, Donna Adams

Rod Landblom with Roosevelt Custer Regional Council met with the board about sponsoring a Rural Business Opportunity grant to study energy resources in the area. The state will match the grant, but it has to be sponsored by a public entity as a pass through agency. Thompson moved to approve sponsoring the grant. Kasian seconded. All voted aye. Rod also talked about the Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation plan that was initiated in 2009. Rod requested that the county front the cost until the reimbursement comes from FEMA. After consultation with State's Attorney Brovold, Kasian moved to approve a promissory note. Arthaud seconded. All voted aye.

Joe Kessel requested a lower speed limit sign on the road that goes by his house. Commissioner Thompson suggested trying a caution sign first, and Joe agreed to that.

Terrald Bang and Thorris Sandvick with the Dunn County Fair Association presented their proposal for a multi-use facility for the west central region of North Dakota. They have received pledges from various entities, but still need approximately \$100,000 to break ground, and they hope to do that next year. After conferring with Attorney Brovold, the board determined that this was not a project they could participate in.

Matthew Remyse, manager of the Dickinson Theodore Roosevelt Regional Airport presented the board with a proposal for construction of a new hangar. There has been a significant increase in overnight aircraft needing a place to park during inclement weather or cold weather conditions. These overnight aircraft include crop sprayers and air medical. They are asking for funding from several entities, and are requesting \$35,000 from Billings County. After discussion, the board requested that once they have some more solid numbers to bring it back to the board.

The board reviewed a raffle permit submitted by the N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame. Kasian moved to approve the permit. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

The bid opening for the Fryburg firehall addition was held September 30<sup>th</sup>. MBA Construction was the only bidder at \$398,800. Fire Chief Tim Solberg recommended not accepting the bid, and the fire board decided to wait until next spring and revisit the idea if construction costs have come down.

Tim Kelly with Kadrmas, Lee, & Jackson met with the board for the monthly engineer's report.

12:00 to 1:00 P.M. The board recessed for lunch.

Henry Gerving, Golden Valley County Veteran Service Officer initiated a conference call with the board. He is wondering about the possibility of combining the Billings County Veteran Service Office with Golden Valley County. Billings County has already approached Stark County with a proposal to start phasing Billings County veterans over to using their services prior to the current Billings County VSO retiring in August of 2011. Kasian moved to continue working with Stark County towards combining with them. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

The 2010 budget hearing was held at 1:30 as advertised. Nobody appeared either for or against it. Kasian moved to approve the 2010 budget as presented. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

The board received and approved the following permits:  
Construction in County Right-of-Way Permits

- Anschutz Exploration Corporation – Section 34, Township 143, Range 98 along 18<sup>th</sup> St at about 1400 feet east of the SW section corner
- Terry Gregory – Section 14, Township 143, Range 99 along 127<sup>th</sup> Ave SW
- Roughrider Electric – Overhead line in Section 9, Township 139, Range 100

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of September: Clerk of Court \$335.95 county fees and \$5,400.00 state fees; Sheriff \$208.48 civil fees & grant reimbursement; County Recorder \$5,338.00 September collections; Zoning Inspector \$75.00 permits; EMS/Ambulance \$2,757.50 ambulance services

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in September: Workforce Safety \$1,167.85 ambulance services; Blue Cross/Blue Shield of ND \$913.73 ambulance services; Cody Tachenko \$288.90 gravel & trucking; Noridian \$616.39 ambulance services; Bear Paw \$16.13 map; Medora Convenience \$25.00 cash bar permit; One Way Service \$16.13 map; Department of Transportation \$8,657.03 weed spraying; Raymond Hecker \$1,500.00 used culvert; Cody Tachenko \$666.00 gravel & trucking; James Lowman \$426.60 scoria & trucking; Roger Malkowski \$661.50 scoria

Revenues for the month of September: Permits \$7,550.00; Royalties \$51,438.99; Highway Distribution \$10,670.80; Interest \$15,091.64; BLM Minerals \$234,280.03; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$333,222.77; ND Dept. of Health \$4,377.05 ambulance grant; NDACo \$535.00 911 fee redistribution

The following claims were approved for payment:

Adams, Donna	Recorder – Travel Expense	98325	\$	63.00	
Advanced Business Methods	Recorder – Copy Paper	98326	\$	156.00	
Alternative Sanitation	Garbage Removal	98327	\$	141.00	1, 2, 3
Ameripride Linen Service	Mat Rental	98328	\$	79.25	2, 3
Atco International	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98329	\$	1,349.00	
B & B Hot Oil Service, Inc.	Heat Road Oil	98330	\$	390.00	3
Baranko Bros., Inc.	Haul Dirt/Build Road	98331	\$	26,125.00	2
Billings County Rural Fire District	Taxes	98332	\$	330.60	
Billings County Pioneer	Publishing	98333	\$	491.40	3, G
Billings County Pioneer	Subscription	98334	\$	31.00	
Billings County School District	Weed – Shop Rent	98335	\$	300.00	
Billings County School District	Taxes	98336	\$	259,798.03	
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98337	\$	2,368.31	1, 2, 3, W
Best Energy	Propane	98338	\$	468.75	3
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	Dental & Vision Premiums	98339	\$	2,196.50	1, 2, 3, W, G
Boltz Construction	Blade Roads	98340	\$	10,315.50	3
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	98341	\$	747.41	
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	Land Use Plan – F.O.I.A.	98342	\$	3,190.23	
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	Land Use Plan – Roadless	98343	\$	3,337.96	
Butler Machinery Co.	Parts & Supplies	98344	\$	122.49	3
Cass County Treasurer	Document Preservation Fund	98345	\$	153.00	
Cedar Fencing, LLC	Fencing Construction	98346	\$	10,040.00	3
Chemsearch	Shop Supplies	98347	\$	393.71	1
Chesak Seed House	Seed Supplies	98348	\$	142.00	3
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	D.E.M. – Travel Expense	98349	\$	122.00	
Computer Software Assoc.	Recorder – Docupro Support	98350	\$	2,700.00	
Creative Energy	Diesel Fuel & Maintenance Supplies	98351	\$	3,769.24	1, G
D & D Sprinkler Systems	Courthouse – Winterize Sprinklers	98352	\$	195.00	
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98353	\$	7,980.50	1, 2, 3, G
Dakota Water Treatment	Water System	98354	\$	25.00	1
Dan's Interstate Conoco	S. O. – Gas	98355	\$	361.01	
D F Lighting	Courthouse – Lighting Supplies	98356	\$	604.75	
Dickinson Public Library	Library Service	98357	\$	2,430.54	
Dickinson Tire, Inc.	S. O. – Wheel Alignment	98358	\$	50.95	
Dosch, Kathy	Risk Mgmt. – Wellness Program	98359	\$	175.00	
Electronic Communications	Radio Equipment	98360	\$	3,818.00	2
Election Systems & Software	General Election – Absentee Ballots	98361	\$	2,426.03	
ESRI, Inc.	Tax Director – Arcview Support	98362	\$	2,500.00	
Fisher Industries	Pea Gravel & Concrete Rock	98363	\$	2,044.50	2
General Steel & Supply Co.	Generator Hook Up	98364	\$	82.24	3
George's Tire, Ltd.	Tires & Repair	98365	\$	10,861.00	1
Golden Valley County	Social Service	98366	\$	6,520.56	
Hedahls Parts Plus	Shop Supplies	98367	\$	61.18	1
Heiser Electric, Don	Electrical Service	98368	\$	11,556.01	2, 3, G
Hlebechuk Construction, Inc.	Blade Roads	98369	\$	39,840.00	1, 2, 3
Institute of Local Government	Recorder – ILG Class Fee	98370	\$	30.00	
Jiran Architects & Planners	Fryburg Firehall Addition	98371	\$	26,280.00	3
Jurgens, Joan	Auditor – Travel Expense	98372	\$	54.00	
Kadmas, Lee, & Jackson, Inc.	Engineering	98373	\$	61,428.53	1, 2, 3

Kasian, Michael E.	Commissioner – Mileage	98374	\$	193.00	2
Klang, Keri	Ambulance – Travel Expense	98375	\$	238.00	
Lindbo Welding Service	Build Cattleguard Wings & Repairs	98376	\$	1,225.00	3, W
Lyman Dust Control	Dust Control	98377	\$	77,478.84	3
Martin Construction	Gas Plant Road	98378	\$	15,547.05	1
Medora, City of...	Taxes	98379	\$	1,503.30	
Medora, City of...	Primary Election – Reimbursement	98380	\$	130.00	
Metro-Billing Services	Ambulance – Assist	98381	\$	120.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	911 Changes	98382	\$	8.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	Courthouse – Telephone Service	98383	\$	955.22	
Midstate Communications	Supt. of Schools – Telephone	98384	\$	38.99	
Mobile Binders	Recorder – Docket Binders	98385	\$	353.03	
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	Gas, Oil, & Diesel	98386	\$	18,424.39	2, 3
N.D. Association of Counties	Taxes	98387	\$	219.33	
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	Meeting Room Maintenance	98388	\$	200.00	
N.D. Post Board	S. O. – Membership Dues	98389	\$	90.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Health Insurance Premium	98390	\$	29,375.81	1, 2, 3, G, W
N.D. Sheriff & Deputies Association	S. O. – Membership Dues	98391	\$	20.00	
N.D. State Radio Communications	Radio Services	98392	\$	1,418.40	
N.D. State Treasurer	Clerk of Court Fees	98393	\$	5,467.84	
Newby's Ace Hardware	Weed & Maintenance Supplies	98394	\$	79.45	
Northern Improvement Co., Inc.	Omega Mix	98395	\$	822.36	1, 3
Northwest Tire, Inc.	Tires	98396	\$	6,731.60	2
Off Road Software, Inc.	G.I.S. Software	98397	\$	1,400.00	
O.K. Tire Stores	Tires	98398	\$	844.41	3
Onsite Improvements, Inc.	S. Ash Coulee Road Project	98399	\$	13,759.67	2
Outback Lumber Co.	Parts & Supplies	98400	\$	185.50	2
Parkway Ford Lincoln Mercury	Parts & Repairs	98401	\$	3,531.45	2
Pomarleau Construction, Jim	Shop Tools	98402	\$	1,100.00	3
Porter Motors, Dan	Ambulance – Service	98403	\$	193.25	
Probuild	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98404	\$	34.06	
Pump Systems, Inc.	Weed – Parts & Supplies	98405	\$	38.20	
Qwest	S. Ash Coulee Road Project	98406	\$	764.92	2
Ray's Auto Electric, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98407	\$	569.00	3
RDO Equipment Co.	Parts & Supplies	98408	\$	2,157.75	3
Roosevelt Custer Regional Council	Mitigation Plan Loan	98409	\$	60,000.00	
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Electricity	98410	\$	1,861.00	1, 2, 3, G
Roughrider RV's	Shop Supplies	98411	\$	28.69	1
Rudy's Lock & Key	Courthouse – Supplies & Service	98412	\$	775.00	
Rummel Auto Wrecking	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	98413	\$	25.70	
Rummel, Patrick	D.E.M. & S. O. – Travel Expense	98414	\$	447.50	
Runnings Farm & Fleet, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98415	\$	360.06	1, 2
Sax Motor Company	S. O. – Parts & Repairs	98416	\$	453.06	
Southwest Business Machines	Office Supplies	98417	\$	814.68	G, W
Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98418	\$	38.35	3
Shade, Kim	Scoria Lease Agreement	98419	\$	125.00	3
Smart Computers & Consulting	Computer Equipment & Support	98420	\$	1,600.00	2, G
St. Joseph's Hospital	S. O. – Prisoner Care	98421	\$	261.00	
Stein's, Inc.	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98422	\$	737.12	
Southwestern District Health Unit	Taxes	98423	\$	234.10	
Southwest Water Authority	Taxes	98424	\$	67.84	
Southwest Water Authority	Water Usage	98425	\$	1,183.51	1, 2, 3
Southwest Wireless	S. O. – Radio Equipment	98426	\$	15.99	
Swanston Equipment Corp.	Parts & Supplies	98427	\$	391.13	2
Thompson, Allan T.	Commissioner – Mileage	98428	\$	129.50	1
TMI Storage Systems Corp.	Supt. of Schools – Cabinets	98429	\$	1,450.00	
Tom's Service Center	Gas, Service, & Parts	98430	\$	306.90	G, W
Twin Oaks Resort	D.E.M. – Travel Expense	98431	\$	420.00	
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	98432	\$	170.23	2, G
Vogel Law Firm	Land Use Plan – U.S.D.A. Roads	98433	\$	400.00	
Wal-Mart	Courthouse – Supplies	98434	\$	367.20	
Wanner, Dana	Tax Director – Travel Expense	98435	\$	157.50	
West Dakota Oil, Inc.	Drum Oil	98436	\$	617.65	1
Westlie Truck Center	Parts & Supplies	98437	\$	2,480.15	3
Alltel	Cellular Service	98490	\$	513.05	1, 3, G
American Family Life Assurance	Premium	98491	\$	666.63	
Consolidated	Internet Services	98492	\$	240.45	2, 3, W
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Administrative Fees	98493	\$	94.50	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Premium	98494	\$	1,816.69	
Information Technology Dept.	S.O. – T-1 Line	98495	\$	437.80	
Job Service of North Dakota	Unemployment Taxes	98496	\$	2,149.60	1, 2, 3, W, G
Medora, City of...	Courthouse – Utilities	98497	\$	240.86	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Deferred Comp. Premium	98498	\$	5,599.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Retirement	98499	\$	11,728.10	1, 2, 3, W, G
N.D. State Tax Commission	State Withholding Taxes	98500	\$	6,765.44	
Prudential	Deferred Comp. Premium	98501	\$	50.00	
Qwest	Telephone Service	98502	\$	314.42	1, 2, 3, W, G
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Telephone Service	98503	\$	47.83	1, 2, 3, G
Visa	Ambulance Training, etc.	98504	\$	1,420.70	1, G

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for September: General \$65,811.15; Road and Bridge \$70,987.37; Weed \$5,691.00

With there being no further business, Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting 2:00 P.M. Kasian seconded.

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James Arthaud, Chairman

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

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer