

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – MAY 5, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. with Commissioners Kessel and Kasian in attendance by phone.

Others were present during portions of the meeting by phone (complete list unavailable as some phone numbers were unknown): Sheriff Pat Rummel, Major Dean Wyckoff, Fire Chief Kyle Shockley, Tax & Zoning Director Stacey Swanson, Ambulance Directors Mitch Gilseth & Kyle Michels, Daphne Senn KLJ, States Attorney Patrick Weir,

Kessel moved to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2020 regular meeting. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

States Attorney H. Patrick Weir was present by phone in the Auditor's office to open bids at the 10:30 scheduled time:

Crushing & Stockpiling Scoria on the W1/2 NE1/4 Section 34-141-98: Five bids were received and opened – Aggregate Construction, Inc. \$109,750.00, Sundre Sand & Gravel Inc. \$92,000.00, Fritel Construction \$139,750.00, Fisher Sand & Gravel Co \$82,350.00 and Meyer Aggregate \$75,650.00. Kasian moved to accept the low bid of Meyer Aggregate contingent upon KLJ reviewing the mathematics in the bid. Kessel seconded. All voted aye.

Crushing & Stockpiling Scoria on the S1/2 Section 7-141-100: 7 bids were received and opened – Aggregate Construction, Inc \$216,400.00, J&J Excavating \$514,599.28, Sundre Sand & Gravel Inc. \$195,000.00, Fisher Sand & Gravel Co \$198,300.00, Black Diamond \$574,466.94, Firstmark \$227,560.00 and Meyer Aggregate \$181,500.00. Kessel moved to accept the low bid of Meyer Aggregate contingent upon KLJ reviewing the mathematics in the bid. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Road Superintendent Jeff Iverson was present by phone and gave his monthly report. He stated that guard rails have been installed on East River Road. They are prospecting for gravel in the county. Crews are hauling gravel in all three districts. He is working with KLJ to bid the Simnioniw gravel pit in July. There is a concern from a county resident on the intersection curve at 48th St and 135. Jeff will be working with the landowner to work on safety improvements. The motorgraders have been built and one arrived yesterday.

Daphne Senn was present by phone for KLJ's monthly engineering report. She stated that wetland monitoring is continuing and that KLJ is still working on the survey and design on the Little Missouri River Crossing.

Tax & Zoning Director Stacey Swanson was present by phone and went over the application that was approved by the Billings County Zoning Board at the April 16, 2020 meeting:

Paul & JoAnn Douglas: Application to rezone a 14.45 acre tract in the SE1/4 6-139-102 (14937 Dutchmans Rd SW). Request to rezone from commercial to residential for the Eagle Ridge Lodge property. In the current ordinance, a bed and breakfast is conditionally permitted in residential districts, but not commercial districts. The property boundary will stay the same, there was a small tract that had been sold off previously and rezoned to residential. The board discussed that the property is under 40 acres, so no livestock is allowed. The zoning board approved the application. Kessel moved to uphold the zoning board decision. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Tax & Zoning Director Stacey Swanson presented 2 ARW Applications that were approved with conditions by the Road Superintendent.

- Seth Murphy – Sections 22 & 27-143-100 for an agricultural water pipeline along 16th St SW.
- Medora Grazing Association – Sections 29 & 30-143-100 for an agricultural water pipeline along Mike's Creek Road.

States Attorney Patrick Weir then discussed the progress of the joint powers agreement with the City of Medora. They are working with the City Attorney, Sandra Kuntz.

Sheriff Pat Rummel gave his monthly report. He stated that reports of domestic violence during this time of COVID have been increasing. He went over the plan for the courthouse to open back up.

A letter was reviewed from Dr. Wolf who is the appointed County Coroner. He stated he will be resigning in July and the board will need to appoint a new coroner for the County. There will be a county wide COVID-19 testing coming up and the board will be made aware of it when the timing is set.

Mitch Gilseth and Kyle Michels, Ambulance Directors gave their monthly report. They stated that due to COVID, the Ford plant that was building the ambulances has been closed but should be reopening mid-may with a delivery date of September planned.

The following claims were approved for payment. Kessel moved to approve, Kasian seconded. All voted aye:

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
N.D. P.E.R.S.	018072	\$ 72,121.97
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	018073	\$ 3,962.30
3D Specialties	018074	\$ 54,768.10
911 Custom	018075	\$ 240.99
ABC Fencing, LLC	018076	\$ 6,013.00
Active911, Inc.	018077	\$ 130.00
AmeriPride Linen Service	018078	\$ 384.05
Best Energy	018079	\$ 86.64
Billings County Historical Society	018080	\$ 276.39
Billings County Pioneer	018081	\$ 786.84
Billings County Rural Fire District	018082	\$ 4,831.62
Billings County School District	018083	\$ 3,859.11
Blue Hawk Audio & Video	018084	\$ 6,764.38
Boss Office Products	018085	\$ 1,295.12
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	018086	\$ 3,061.72
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	018087	\$ 374.00
Brooks & Associates, C. E.	018088	\$ 1,871.66
Brosz Engineering, Inc.	018089	\$ 2,142.50
Burly's Roughrider Bar & Steakhouse	018090	\$ 350.00
Cerkoney, Cathy	018091	\$ 50.00
Charbonneau Car Center	018092	\$ 71.50
Charbonneau Car Center	018093	\$ 32,633.00
Choice Financial	018094	\$ 38.00
Creative Energy	018095	\$ 128.25
Crowell & Moring, LLP	018096	\$ 30,245.51
Dakota Insurance	018097	\$ 115,779.00
Dakota Sports	018098	\$ 627.60
Deans Distributing	018099	\$ 940.80
Dell Marketing, LP	018100	\$ 795.72
DF Lighting Company	018101	\$ 348.00
Dryland Enterprises	018102	\$ 17,906.25
ERE Trucking, LLC	018103	\$ 10,187.50
Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.	018104	\$ 206.44
George's Tire, Ltd.	018105	\$ 7,930.00
Gooseneck Implement	018106	\$ 3,543.99
Heiser Electric, Don	018107	\$ 4,899.92
Hlebechuk Construction	018108	\$ 375.00
HP, Inc.	018109	\$ 4,966.00
J and J Operating, LLC	018110	\$ 374.75
James Oil Well Service, Inc.	018111	\$ 1,290.00
Jay R's Auto Body	018112	\$ 13,816.20
Johnson Controls Fire Protection, LP	018113	\$ 2,387.65
Just-In Glass	018114	\$ 276.82
Kasian, Connie	018115	\$ 50.00
Kessel, Anita F.	018116	\$ 50.00
Kessel, Joseph L.	018117	\$ 50.00
Klang, Kathryn	018118	\$ 40.00
KLJ Engineering, LLC	018119	\$ 89,380.73
Klym, Steve	018120	\$ 50.00
Kohler Communications, Inc.	018121	\$ 200.00
Larry's Alignment	018122	\$ 100.00
Mac's, Inc.	018123	\$ 574.11
Malkowski Trucking	018124	\$ 15,990.00
Medora, City of...	018125	\$ 493.45
Menards	018126	\$ 3,897.04
Metro-Billing Services	018127	\$ 22.00
MGM Rural Sanitation, LLC	018128	\$ 309.00
Mid-American Research Chemical	018129	\$ 271.10
Midstate Telephone Company	018130	\$ 1,283.79
Montana Fluid Solutions, LLC	018131	\$ 14,700.00
Murtha, Janilyn K.	018132	\$ 2,416.67
N.D. Association of Counties	018133	\$ 70.00
N.D. Association of Counties	018134	\$ 55.31
N.D. Attorney General's Office	018135	\$ 250.00
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	018136	\$ 200.00
N.D. Energy Services	018137	\$ 1,270.00
N.D. Planning Association	018138	\$ 110.00
N.D. State Treasurer	018139	\$ 376.76
Nelson International	018140	\$ 1,154.91
Newby's Ace Hardware	018141	\$ 115.25
North Dakota One Call	018142	\$ 6.00
Northern Plains Label	018143	\$ 64.50
Premier Woodcraft	018144	\$ 206.98
Proserve Electrical	018145	\$ 196.00
Pump Systems, Inc.	018146	\$ 574.76
Putnam, Karen	018147	\$ 50.00
Quality Quick Print	018148	\$ 1,193.89
Rauschenberger Consulting, LLC	018149	\$ 750.00
RDO Equipment Company	018150	\$ 5,046.59
Red Rock Ford	018151	\$ 170.28
RELX, Inc.	018152	\$ 233.40
Romanyshyn Trucking	018153	\$ 14,755.00

Runnings Supply, Inc.	018154	\$	780.43
Sanford Inpatient Pharmacy	018155	\$	178.50
Sax Motor Company	018156	\$	253.48
Scuba Steve's Mobile Wash	018157	\$	415.00
Southwest Business Machines	018158	\$	630.22
Southwest Multi-Co. Correction Ctr.	018159	\$	57.50
Southwest Water Authority	018160	\$	837.27
Southwest Water Authority	018161	\$	1,105.77
Southwestern District Health Unit	018162	\$	4,334.44
St. Alexius Medical Center	018163	\$	609.38
Stark County Auditor	018164	\$	5,976.00
Stein's, Inc.	018165	\$	1,478.61
Swanston Equipment Corp.	018166	\$	104.02
Tczap, John	018167	\$	50.00
Thomas Y Pickett	018168	\$	17,500.00
Thyssen Krupp Elevator	018169	\$	547.04
Total Safety US, Inc.	018170	\$	248.65
True North Steel, Inc.	018171	\$	18,081.46
U P S Store	018172	\$	43.72
Underground Vaults, Inc.	018173	\$	212.00
Verizon Network Fleet, Inc.	018174	\$	75.80
Verizon Wireless	018175	\$	2,272.40
Vogel Law Firm	018176	\$	5,981.00
Wal-Mart	018177	\$	275.10
Warne Chemical & Equipment Co.	018178	\$	121.75
West Dakota Oil, Inc.	018179	\$	4,689.04
Western Choice Cooperative	018180	\$	13,972.00
Westlie Crossroad Truck Center	018181	\$	12,652.53
N.D. P.E.R.S.	018182	\$	733.96
N.D. P.E.R.S.	018184	\$	42,371.84
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	018191	\$	1,748.50
Century Link	018192	\$	897.78
DirecTV	018193	\$	118.52
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	018194	\$	78.75
Information Technology Dept.	018195	\$	977.05
Medora, City of...	018196	\$	450.64
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	018197	\$	40.00
Roughrider Electric Cooperative, Inc.	018198	\$	4,514.33
Verizon Wireless	018199	\$	50.10
Visa	018200	\$	9,484.22
Visa	018201	\$	<u>1,287.51</u>

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of April: Recorder \$1,527.00; Zoning \$1,619.95; Court \$25.00; Sheriff \$65.00, EMS \$1,820.07.

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in April: Jesse Duckwitz \$218.13 scoria & hauling; River Run Ranch \$1,878.75 scoria & hauling; Terry Hilstad \$1,236.00 scoria & hauling; Steve Klym \$900.00 scoria & hauling; Loren Bock \$92.00 sand & hauling. WEED SPRAYING: Kurt Kordon \$53.68, Bill Palanuk \$133.75, Loren Fiskowski \$22.28.

Revenues for the month of April: Sheriff \$13,507.22 permits, Highway Distribution \$13,644.79; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$267,632.69; Royalties \$20,507.03; Unorganized Oil & Gas Production Tax \$17,842.18; 24/7 \$300.00; Interest \$12,752.44; State Aid Distribution \$74,587.54; Unorganized Township Distribution \$20,029.77, North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund \$35,544.20.

Payroll in the following amounts was approved for April: General Fund \$171,304.50; Road and Bridge Fund \$123,713.30; Weed Fund \$10,575.40.

With there being no further business, the meeting ended at 11:46 A.M.

Michael Kasian, Vice-Chairman

Attest: _____

Marcia Lamb, Auditor/Treasurer