

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF WALSH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JULY 20, 2021**

July 20, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Chairman Skorheim, Commissioners Anderson, Barta and Burianek. Commissioner Brintnell appeared via telephone.

The meeting was called to order and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Barta moved to approve the July 6, 2021 regular meeting minutes and monthly bills. Second by Anderson. Motion carried.

Commissioner Barta presented a Second Amendment Advocate County Resolution. The term advocate county was used instead of Sanctuary County as it is stronger wording. Sheriff Jurgens was provided a copy of the resolution. It was recommended that the State's Attorney's Office review it before the next meeting.

Jill Denault, Zone Director, appeared for the following:

- Jeff Schneider has been reviewing insurance coverage in regard to county equipment coverage while employees have county property at their homes when working from home. One zone has written their own policy on it already. The feeling is that if something happened to the property the state would probably replace it so the employee could continue to work from home.
- Discussed indirect costs. They will be the same for 2022 which was \$139,170.55. Cavalier keeps a fee for being the host county however Walsh County received \$111,537.00 in 2021 therefore we should expect the same amount in 2022. Zone Director anticipates staying within that amount this year.

Ron Jurgens, Sheriff, appeared to inform the board that two correction officers put in their resignations. One is going to Pembina County and one is going to Valley Ambulance Service. **Motion by Burianek to advertise and hire 2 correction officers.** Second by Barta. Upon roll call vote all vote yes. Motion carried.

Sharon Lipsh, Highway Superintendent, appeared for the following:

- Discussed loan for paving project. No local banks are interested in bidding for the loan. **Motion by Barta to sign the loan application for \$515,000 with the Bank of North Dakota for a 5 year term.** Second by Burianek. Upon roll call vote all voted yes. Motion carried.
- Received one bid for approximately \$20,000 from Pastorek's to replacing 3 concrete slabs in front of the courthouse. Is waiting for a second bid. Could use the election/building fund which has \$35,000 in it.
- Received bids from Wayne Coulthart and Dakota Mudjacking from Grand Forks to fix the concrete that is sloping towards the building in the back of the courthouse by the boiler room. **Motion by Burianek to accept the bid from Dakota Mudjacking for \$640 to \$750 to fix the concrete.** Second by Anderson. Upon roll call vote all voted yes. Motion carried.

- Discussed replacing the roof on the garage at Homme Dam. **Motion by Barta to tin the Homme Dam garage roof for approximately \$3018 through Leon's Building.** Second by Anderson. Upon roll call vote all voted yes. Motion carried.
- Has been chosen as a member of the Water Board Study Committee and is leaving for Bismarck to attend her first meeting.
- Has an employee out on medical leave.
- Still chip sealing so no one is blading after the recent rain.
- Present to discuss the Vernon Township Bridge (Hylden Bridge) were Larry Gaarder, Jim Dub, Daryn Wambem, Dwight Johnson, Orville Kjelland, Aaron Kjelland, Scott Udby, Brian Udby, Arlyn Askim, Terril Borgeson, Darryl Borgeson, Scott Bylin and Christine Ohma. The bridge has been looked at and deemed unsafe so it was closed. Sharon gave some history on townships and the bridge maps/policy that were developed several years ago. This bridge is one that the township has as a necessary bridge that they would want maintained. Discussed options to fix bridge, flow capacity, following bridge policy, importance of bridge for emergency services and farmers. Sharon will move forward and check on options to replace and will keep the township informed.
- Will work on right of way after chip sealing is done.

Julie Campbell, JDA Director, and Julie Gemmill, JDA Chair appeared to discuss board member appointments. They explained that their bylaws state that "members shall serve a term of three years or until their successors are duly qualified." Commissioner Brintnell requested that in the future these requests for board appointments be made earlier.

Auditor will register Commissioners Barta, Brintnell and Skorheim for the 2021 NDACo Annual Conference and book rooms.

Dennis Skorheim, Chairman

Attest:

Kris Molde, Auditor

**THE FOLLOWING BILLS HAVE BEEN AUDITED
WERE ON MOTION ORDERED PAID BY WARRANT APPROVED 07-20-2021**

55044	BONNIES CLEANING SERVICE	1,016.00
55045	MORGAN PRINTING	724.88
55046	MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	5,935.92
55047	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	5,760.83
55048	POLAR COMMUNICATIONS	900.61
55049	STATE TREASURER	26,886.89
55050	STATE TREASURER	632.91
55051	WALSH COUNTY TREASURER	131.79
55052	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	314.14
55053	LIGHT AND WATER DEPT	399.60
55054	POLAR COMMUNICATIONS	288.09
55055	KATIE THOMPSON	439.82
55056	ADAMS GENERAL STORE	163.37
55057	CARDMEMBER SERVICES	828.88
55058	GRAFTON TRUE VALUE	78.83
55059	HEARTLAND GAS COMPANY	51.47
55060	LEONS BUILDING CENTER	92.00

55061	LIGHT AND WATER DEPT	825.80
55062	MDU	64.75
55063	MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	395.55
55064	NORTHEAST REGIONAL WATER	63.00
55065	NORTHDAL OIL INC	192.00
55066	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	166.88
55067	POLAR COMMUNICATIONS	757.67
55068	REFUSE DISPOSAL SERVICE	8.00
55069	VERIZON WIRELESS	755.22
55070	WALSH RURAL WATER DISTRICT	393.80
55071	KEITHS SECURITY WORLD	300.00
55072	MDU	179.24
55073	NDAAO	60.00
55074	QUILL LLC	121.13
55075	JILL TREND A	157.66
55076	LONS HARDWARE	806.24
55077	QUADIENT LEASING USA	209.16
55078	WALSH COUNTY PRESS	36.00
55079	ARDOCH TOWNSHIP	1,340.64
55080	CONSOLIDATED WASTE	444.00
55081	FARMERS UNION OIL LANGDON	868.71
55082	GREENWAY DISPOSAL	244.00
55083	HEARTLAND GAS COMPANY	431.42
55084	MDU	46.63
55085	CHAR MYRDAL	120.08
55086	NODAK ELECTRIC COOP	994.42
55087	NORTH STAR COOP	97.53
55088	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	56.46
55089	PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	679.76
55090	TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN	26.84
55091	VERIZON CONNECT NWF	663.79
55092	BONNIES CLEANING SERVICE	1,620.00
55093	CHI FRIENDSHIP INC	116.00
55094	DISCOVER CARD	1,827.33
55095	FRONTIER	382.41
55096	MDU	195.61
55097	MIDCO	44.18
55098	ND CHAPTER OF APCO	125.00
55099	NDEMA	180.00
55100	ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	1,080.00
55101	POLAR COMMUNICATIONS	319.44
55102	STONES MOBILE RADIO	1,640.55
55103	VERIZON WIRELESS	132.77
55104	BRENTS PIT STOP LLC	152.54
55105	CENEX FLEET FUELING	66.07
55106	CHI FRIENDSHIP INC	857.90
55107	DACOTAH PAPER CO	173.54
55108	FISCAL ADMIN COUNTY JAIL CLAIM	3,555.66
55109	GALLS LLC	61.04
55110	GRAFTON TRUE VALUE	1.39
55111	TERRY HAYWARD	3,366.76
55112	HUGOS 10	436.40
55113	LAKE REGION LEC	4,772.55
55114	MORGAN PRINTING	110.50
55115	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	5,229.00
55116	NDCHCA	100.00
55117	PREMIUM WATERS INC	47.98
55118	SCHUMACHER AND SONS	120.15
55119	STONES MOBILE RADIO	67.23
55120	SUBWAY	1,790.00
55121	THRIFTY WHITE PHARMACY	3.90
55122	TIGER COMMISSARY SERVICES	858.00
55123	VERIZON WIRELESS	813.84
55124	ROBERT WALLS	10.50
55125	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	47.95
55126	DEBBIE PRESTENG	48.47

DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENTS

2297	NDPERS LIFE INSURANCE	816.12
2298	NDPERS RETIREMENT	287.09
27360	GRAFTON CITY	5,531.99
27361	PARK RIVER CITY	2,172.17
27362	MINTO CITY	499.00
27363	HOOPLE CITY	805.54
27364	PISEK CITY	896.01
27365	EDINBURG CITY	223.02
27366	FORDVILLE CITY	833.10
27367	ADAMS CITY	596.55
27368	ADAMS FIRE DISTRICT	52.40
27369	DAHLEN FIRE DISTRICT	13.00
27370	FORDVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	26.93
27371	GRAFTON FIRE DISTRICT	159.55
27372	HOOPLE FIRE DISTRICT	52.00
27373	LANKIN FIRE DISTRICT	64.34
27374	PARK RIVER FIRE DISTRICT	140.08
27375	PISEK FIRE DISTRICT	13.63
27376	MICHIGAN FIRE DISTRICT	15.04
27377	MINTO FIRE DISTRICT	527.13
27378	GRAFTON CITY PARK	1,742.06
27379	PARK RIVER CITY PARK	366.20
27380	HOOPLE CITY PARK	21.22
27381	FORDVILLE CITY PARK	34.04
27382	ADAMS CITY PARK	11.22
27383	GRAFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 3	13,232.70
27384	FORDVILLE LANKIN SCHOOL DIST	1,046.74
27385	VALLEY-EDINBURG SCHOOL	362.99
27386	MINTO SCHOOL DISTRICT 20	6,117.96
27387	MIDWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT 128	1,044.94
27388	PARK RIVER AREA SCHOOL 8	14,661.69
27389	DRAYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 19	588.42
27390	MANVEL SCHOOL DISTRICT 12	2,483.45
27391	WALSHVILLE TOWNSHIP	536.39
27392	PULASKI TOWNSHIP	355.85
27393	ST ANDREWS TOWNSHIP	87.71
27394	ARDOCH TOWNSHIP	451.06
27395	HARRISTON TOWNSHIP	343.38
27396	OAKWOOD TOWNSHIP	85.33
27397	FOREST RIVER TOWNSHIP	194.90
27398	WALSH CENTRE TOWNSHIP	51.58
27399	GRAFTON TOWNSHIP	98.51
27400	FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP	51.98
27401	OPS TOWNSHIP	84.14
27402	KENSINGTON TOWNSHIP	1,723.43
27403	NORTON TOWNSHIP	118.92
27404	LATONA TOWNSHIP	20.52
27405	SHEPHERD TOWNSHIP	32.78
27406	WALSH CO WATER RES BOARD DRAIN	10,064.87
27407	WALSH COUNTY EMS	21,416.75
27408	WALSH CO WATER RESOURCE BOARD	1,271.63
27409	WALSH COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT	815.46
27410	WALSH CO HISTORICAL SOCIETY	79.47
27411	WALSH CO JOB DEVELOP AUTHORITY	715.29
27412	RED RIVER JT WATER RES DIST	474.78
27413	CARNEGIE REGIONAL LIBRARY	655.91
27414	WALSH CO SENIOR CITIZENS	317.91
27415	THREE RIVERS SOIL CONSERV DIST	794.81