

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF WALSH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
November 19, 2019**

November 19, 2019 - 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Chairman Barta, Commissioners Anderson, BuriANEK, Skorheim and Wild.

Chairman Barta called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Motion by Skorheim to approve the November 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes and additions of planning & zoning, blading, meeting date, reminders.** Second by Wild. Motion carried.

**Motion by Wild to rescind the November 5<sup>th</sup> motion to approve the Resolution to Amend Building Permit Fees as Century Code requires a hearing and publication of the resolution first.** Second by BuriANEK. Upon roll call vote all voted yes. Motion carried.

The second meeting in December will be moved to Monday December 16<sup>th</sup>.

There are several community meetings around the state in regard to the redesign of social services.

The ND Township Officers Association Annual Convention will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a presentation on planning and zoning.

**Motion by BuriANEK to approve the appraisal list.** Second by Anderson. Upon roll call vote all vote yes. Motion carried.

Brad Brummond, County Agent, appeared for the following:

- Had to have some ballasts and bulbs replaced in the beef barn and some outlets in the archery room replaced or fixed before the fair. **Motion by Wild to pay the \$768.44 out of the county fair budget.** Second by Skorheim. Upon roll call vote all voted yes.
- There was an overpayment to HB Sound for the speakers at the fair building. Brad will reach out to them for a refund. The new speakers have wonderful sound quality.
- The current 4H/FCS position will remain open at this time.
- Fair went really well.
- Will hold future meetings where fertilizer, weeds, groundwork and flooding will be topics of discussion.

Wanda Kratochvil, Health Department Administrator, appeared to discuss Responsible Beverage Server Training. She provided some handouts and a brochure and inquired about who the county all provides licenses for. Training is usually 1 ½ to 2 hours and can be done at the establishment or at another location. She will reach out to the bars in the county to see if they are willing to go through the training.

Ron Jurgens, Sheriff, gave an update on the safety in regard to the pipeline leak. TC Energy is very community conscience. They have ordered 2 portable radar speed display

signs to help prevent trucks from speeding. They will be donated to the county when the event is over. The crew is down to approximately 50 people and is going from repair mode to dirt cleanup. They are very organized. The security people are working well with the landowners.

Pursuant to public advertisement, the sale of real estate forfeited to Walsh County for delinquent taxes was held at 10:00 a.m. with Chairman Barta welcoming bidders and reviewing guidelines for the sale.

The following parcels were sold:

07- 1589	339x436' in Lot 4 3.39A 6-157-52	Ray Sweeney	\$3,050.00
38-12071	Lot 12 Bk 1 Dillons Subdiv Park River	Lisa Gellner for Rebecca Chyle	\$16,200.00

Chairman Barta thanked everyone for attending and bidding.

Sharon Lipsh, Highway Superintendent, appeared via telephone for the following:

- Has been asked to serve on the NDSAPTA Committee and was required to be present in Bismarck today.
- The Shop 1 pressure washer was replaced.
- Polar Communications is selling a 2003 International 4300 with 38,000 miles on it for \$55,000. It has a new batteries, everything works, little wear on the tires and DOT inspected. There would be very few modifications needed and it could be used for cutting branches and installing bridge rails. It would replace the old sign truck. **Motion by Skorheim to purchase the truck from Polar Communications for \$55,000.** Second by Anderson. Upon roll call Wild and Burianek voted no, Skorheim, Anderson and Barta voted yes. Motion carried.
- Discussed mud on roads. **Motion by Anderson. For this year only, due to the Agriculture disaster declaration and extremely wet harvest season, those that made a reasonable attempt at keeping county roads clean will not receive a bill. For those that made little to no attempt a bill will be sent.** Second by Wild. Upon roll call vote all voted yes. Motion carried.
- County Road 6 & 8 are being bladed.
- The County bladed County Road 7 for TC Energy. They will reimburse the county for our expenses.
- The County Road Conference is at the end of January. If anyone would like to attend they should let Sharon know.
- The highway department opened up the Rasmussen Bridge and Schuster Bridge yesterday after scraping the ice off the roadway.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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Ernie Barta, Chairman

Attest:

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Kris Molde, Auditor