

The Traill County Commissioners came to order on **October 15, 2019** at 8:00 a.m. Commissioners Elliott, Amb and Nesvig were present and Commissioners Eblen and Young were present by conference call. On motion of Elliott seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the minutes of October 1, 2019 as presented.

TAX DEED: On motion of Elliott, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor sign two county deeds with Ron Brown, Jr. for the following properties: (1) 32-0002-04942-000 (2) 32-0002-04943-000. Both properties are located in Galesburg City.

TAX FORECLOSURES: On motion of Elliott, seconded by Young and carried to set the following sale prices pursuant to Section 58-18-10 of the NDCC for real estate acquitted by the county on October 1, 2019: HILLSBORO CITY: Lot 1 Block 24 Original Townsite (26-0002-06047-000) \$ 4,415.95 HATTON CITY: All less the NW 225' of Block 46, Second Addition (28-0007-08195-000) \$ 2,569.09 BUXTON CITY: Lots 1,3,5,7,9 & 11 Block 1 Sorlies Addition (31-0003-10061-000) \$ 2,055.39 GALESBURG CITY: Lots 16, 17 & 18 Original Townsite (32-0002-04815-000) \$ 1,803.58 BLANCHARD TOWNSHIP: Lots 11 & 12 Block 4 Blanchard Townsite (03-4003-04414-000) \$96.15 Lot 5 SE1/4 25-145-52 A-.69 Blanchard Township (03-0000-00404-000) \$128.77.

WEST TRAILL AMBULANCE: On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow the Chairman to sign the 2020 contract with West Traill Ambulance. A complete financial audit will be completed in November 2019.

DAKOTA NATURAL GAS: Jim Murphy, EDC Director met with the Commission to discuss the Dakota Natural Gas issue. Murphy mentioned he has sent out several letters to businesses/individuals asking for their opinion on natural gas, but only a handful of responses were received. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow the Chairman to sign a Minimum Use Agreement between Traill County and Dakota Natural Gas for an estimated annual Therm use of 20,800 combined between the Courthouse and Highway Department.

NOTICES: Information on NDPERS High Deductible Health Care Plan, tabled until next meeting. Minutes from September 2019 meeting of Agassiz Valley Social Services District. Notice of 56th Annual Joint ND Water convention on December 5, 2019. Turkey Feast on 11-13-19 at noon in the Community Room with all donations going to the Traill County Angel Tree.

AUDITOR: Heather Hovey, Chief Deputy Auditor presented a policy for a Purchase Card (P-Card) with J.P. Morgan, Bismarck. The P-Card policy will allow the county to combine purchases into one credit card payment and gives the County rebates on purchases. Hovey was asked to bring this issue back to the next meeting. On motion of Elliott, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow Hovey to submit the current employee manual to the NDACo to start the updating for next year.

EMERGENCY DISASTER DECLARATION: Steve Hunt, Sheriff updated the commission on flood issues. On motion of Elliott, seconded by Young and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor to sign the following resolution:

Emergency Disaster Declaration for Traill County

WHEREAS, Traill County North Dakota has the potential for and has sustained damages to residences, roads, bridges, culverts, farmlands, and other public facilities from significantly saturated soils and overland flooding due to major rain/moisture events throughout the spring, summer and early fall of 2019.

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of these potential and sustained damages may threaten the health, well-being, and public safety of the citizens in Traill County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of cleanup, repair, and replacement of such damages is in excess of available resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Traill County Commissioners declares Traill County, its cities, its public and private areas, to be an emergency area and orders the activation and utilization of the Emergency Operations Plan, its procedures and appendices, to monitor the situation, develop a detailed damage assessment, alleviate hardship, and initiate appropriate relief actions and mitigation measures by departments and agencies of local government to limit the hardships and impacts of the emergency on the citizens of Traill County.

Dated this 15th day of October 2019, at Traill County, ND.

TREASURER: Carla Swanson, Treasurer requested to purchase two computers this year as she will have room in her budget, which requested was permitted. Swanson requested to have Presort Plus out of Bismarck to print, process and mail the upcoming tax statements saving money and employees time. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Elliott and carried to all Swanson to hire the company on a one-year trial basis.

HIGHWAY: Corwyn Martin, Road Superintendent and Matt Lange, K LJ met with the board. Martin requested to trim some trees that are overhanging the county road. Commissioners asked Martin to check with Charlie Stock, States Attorney to see if the land owner is liable for costs involved in trimming the trees. Bridge 416 is now open, but several other bridges are under water due to the floods. Lange presented a construction contract for Bridge 228. On motion of Elliott, seconded by Young and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor sign the Agreement for Engineering Services with K LJ, continent with Charlie Stock, States Attorney approval.

ELECTION CONTEST: Glenda Haugen, Auditor explained the "I VOTED" STICKER contest that the ND County Auditors Association is holding. All 4th graders in the state will have a chance to design and color an "I VOTED STICKER". All entries will be given to the Auditor's office for judging and one winner will be picked to represent Traill County. That winning sticker will be sent to Bismarck for a final drawing and one winner for the state will have his/her sticker printed for everyone to receive at the polling places in 2020.

ZAVORAL CONSTRUCTION: Charlie Stock, States Attorney requested an executive meeting to discuss the mediation issue with R. J. Zavoral. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Elliott and carried to adjourn their regular meeting and go into Executive Meeting at 9:00 a.m. On motion of Elliott and seconded by Nesvig and carried to adjourn the Executive Meeting at 9:44 a.m.

On motion of Elliott, seconded by Nesvig and carried to reconvene the regular Commission meeting.

REGULAR BILLS: On motion duly made and carried, the following bills presented to the Board were ordered paid, to-wit:

97939	Advanced Business Methods	113.87	97981	Farnams Genuine Parts	445.39
97940	Ameri Pride Linen	361.96	97982	New Century Press	217.60
97941	Dave Barker	325.00	97983	NDACO 877	2368.23
97942	void		97984	ND 24/7 Attorney General	1130.00
97943	Buxton Farmers Union	1384.32	97985	ND Weed Control Assn	130.00
97944	Border States Paving	5515.89	97986	Nodak Electric	144.85
97945	Blue Tarp Financial	361.51	97987	Northern Engine	120.06
97946	Business Essentials	247.72	97988	Northern Salt Inc	7696.08
97947	Mel Carsen	8450.50	97989	OK Tire Store	6897.00
97948	Century Link	84.00	97990	Olsen Hardware	371.83

97949	Clubhouse Hotel	86.40	97991	Polk County Highway	3093.01
97950	Clubhouse Hotel	404.00	97992	Portland Farmers Union	2714.09
97951	Crane Johnson Lumber	91.69	97993	Pauls Hometown Repair	53.55
97952	City of Buxton	224.00	97994	Precision Mech Services	495.29
97953	Dell Marketing	305.95	97995	Productivity Plus	338.00
97954	Kurt Elliott	216.00	97996	Praxair	341.03
97955	Envirotech Services	12500.48	97997	Premium Waters Inc	30.00
97956	Ewing Oil	45.00	97998	RDO Truck Center	308.23
97957	Great America Leasing	110.78	97999	Record Keepers	16.00
97958	GF Co Correctional Center	3525.00	98000	Ralphs Sharp Shop	79.90
97959	James Halvorson	204.65	98001	Remark Tech Consulting	8641.20
97960	Joel Halvorson	204.70	98002	Reliance Telephone	400.00
97961	Dewey Halvorson	204.65	98003	Razor Tracking	250.00
97962	Glenda Haugen	612.13	98004	Jody Schill	278.06
97963	Hillsboro Banner	472.57	98005	Sanford Hillsboro	4995.65
97964	Hatton Coop Oil	13.32	98006	Sorum Oil Co	408.30
97965	H E Everson co	54.47	98007	ND State Radio Comm	240.00
97966	Hillsboro Lumber	493.66	98008	Steins Inc	510.68
97967	Rebecca Hodgson	194.64	98009	Charles Stock	330.70
97968	Information Tech	1085.80	98010	Sturdevants	432.99
97969	Inland Truck Parts	71.01	98011	Toshiba Business Solution	38.60
97970	Lawson Products	128.03	98012	Toshiba Financial TX	117.92
97971	Loffler	48.67	98013	Toshiba Financial MO	433.91
97972	Larson Welding	587.50	98014	Truenorth Steel	6463.80
97973	Matthew Bender and Co	186.18	98015	Traill County Tribune	802.68
97974	Menards GF	97.00	98016	Verizon Wireless	52.13
97975	Millers Fresh Foods	79.70	98017	Visa	2886.21
97976	Minnkota Enviroservices	35.00	98018	Waste Management	209.31
97977	MLGC	176.86	98019	Walkers Lawncare LLC	42992.50
97978	Mayport Farmers Coop	155.23	98020	West Side Steel	134.07
97979	Mayport Hardware Hank	65.45	98021	Wallwork Truck Center	81.00
97980	Midstates Wireless	270.00	98022	Bismarck Comfort Suites	169.20
			98023	Country Suites Bismarck	253.80

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m. to meet again on November 5, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Attest:

Glenda Haugen, Auditor

Les Amb, Chairman