

The Traill County Commissioners came to order on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. with all members present. On motion of Young, seconded by Amb and carried to approve the agenda as printed with no corrections. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the minutes of 11-16-21 .

AVHSZ: Received November Board minutes and October financials. No action needed.

SALE OF FORECLOSED PROPERTIES: On motion of Young, seconded by Eblen and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor to sign tax deeds for the following parcels that were sold at the 11-16-21 tax auction: (1) Parcel #29-0002-08963-000 sold for \$5,669.89 to Tyler Hoyt & Lindsey Fenske (2) Parcel #29-0002-08971-000 sold for \$5,000.00 to Kevin, Maureen & Jack Boyer (3) Parcel #29-0002-08493-000 sold for \$3,050.00 to Franklin Howse.

COUNTY DEED: On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to sign a County Deed with Stewart C. Carson for parcel #32-0003-05070-000 as Mr. Carson was the original owner.

F-M AMBULANCE CONTRACT: On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Young and carried to allow the Chairman to sign the 2022 agreement with the F-M Ambulance Service, dba Hillsboro Ambulance Service.

TRANSFERS: On motion of Amb, seconded by Eblen and carried to allow the Auditor to transfer \$253,000.00 from the Highway Distribution Fund to the Road & Bridge Fund. On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow the Auditor to transfer \$35,000.00 from the E911 Wireless Fund to the E911 Regular Fund.

LAND PURCHASE REQUEST: Chris Adams, from Belmont Township inquired about purchasing a 7.51 Ac tract of land the County owns. Traill County acquired the property from a FEMA Flood Buyout. The Auditor was instructed to consult with the States Attorney on this request and bring back to the next meeting.

2022 ELECTION VOTING PRECINCTS & POLLING PLACE: Auditor Haugen requested to set the 2022 election precincts and voting place, leaving them the same as the 2020 elections. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Amb and carried to approve the 2022 Election Precincts and approve the Mayville Armory as the one voting place open on election day. A complete list of Election Precincts is available upon request from the Auditor's Office.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Corwyn Martin, Road Superintendent and Jason Siegert, TCWRD met in person. Matt Lange, KLJ Engineer met via Webex. Martin and Siegert presented to the board a list of eight (8) bridges located along county roads that need to be replaced. Bridge #s discussed were #55, #59, #69, #87, #290, #292, #328 AND #332. A meeting will be called in early 2022 with Commission Chairman, Road Portfolio, Water Resource Reps, TC Road Superintendent and KLJ to discuss the bridges and bring back more information to a future meeting. Eblen questioned the billing process for the Elm River Watershed. Siegert will review the process and bring back to the next meeting. Lange reviewed bids received for Bridge #92. The lowest bidder was Jensen Brothers Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$687,089.25. All bids will be reviewed by Martin and Lange and will bring back more information at the next meeting.

Martin informed the board in will be ordering a new pickup, which is in his equipment budget for 2022.

COVID-19 & MASKS: Christopher Larson, Resident Council President at Luther Memorial Home, via Webex and Brenda Stallman, TC District Health Director met with the board. Larson is concerned with the new variant Omicron, and the vaccine coverage rates are not where we need to be. Science has proven that wearing masks work. The issue should not be political. The ND Legislative Assembly passed a law stating State Entities can not implement a mask mandate, however the county, cities and schools have the power to implement one. Larson asked the Board to strongly consider implementing a Traill County mask mandate for 1 month, which would get everyone thru Christmas and hopefully bring our COVID cases down into the single digits. A letter from John M. Pederson, Mayville was reviewed. Mr. Pederson also asked the Board for a mask mandate which would provide the best protection for the public. Stallman, also confirmed that wearing a masks makes a big difference. The entire state of North Dakota is considered to be in a "high transmission" rate with Traill County only at 54.2% vaccinated. Traill County has had 21 people die from COVID. Stallman also informed the Board, that the County has the right to implement a mask

mandate. Commissioner Nesvig motioned to implement a Traill County mask mandate for all individuals, while indoors at public events, effective December 7, 2021 thru January 4, 2022. This motion died for lack of a "second".

TC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Jim Murphy, EDC Director informed the Commission of board member openings on his board. On motion of Amb, seconded by Eblen and carried to appoint the following individuals to the Traill County Economic Development Board: (1) Dustin Olson, Portland replacing Scott Hovde (2) Craig Moen, Hillsboro replacing Sarah Lovas and (3) Marshall Erickson, Clifford will be filling a new position at-large.

TAX DIRECTOR: Kayla Knudson, Tax Director presented a License Agreement with Vanguard Appraisals, Inc. The agreement is for a 5-year term at a total cost of \$85,277.50. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to allow the Chairman to sign the License Agreement.

AUDITOR'S WARRANTS:

On motion duly made and carried, the following bills paid by the County Auditor to December 1, 2021 were allowed paid to-wit:

83006-83086	November Payroll	266,234.13	103183	TC Treasurer-FOASI	63,024.00
103177	NDPERS-Retirement	39,652.29			

REGULAR BILLS:

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

103242	ADVANCED DRAIN SYSTEMS	831.54	103286	NEW CENTURY PRESS	328.30
103243	ADA ELECTRIC INC	210.19	103287	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUN	44.00
103244	AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES	750.00	103288	NDPIO	200.00
103245	LES AMB	1,030.91	103289	NDSU 7070	40.25
103246	FOSTER	70.00	103290	ND 24 7 ATTORNEY GENE	660.00
103247	ARAMARK	885.78	103291	GRANDIN NEPSTAD OIL	1,615.85
103248	BUXTON FARMERS UNION	1,684.93	103292	NORTHERN ENGIN SUPPLY	162.99
103249	BUSINESS ESSENTIALS	482.22	103293	KEN NESVIG	600.00
103250	CASS COUNTY FINANCE	340.00	103294	NORTHLAND TOWING	100.00
103251	CERTIFIED LABORATORIES	612.00	103295	NORTHSTAR SAFETY INC	15,028.10
103252	CLIFFORD FARMERS ELEV	343.92	103296	OLSEN HARDWARE	53.75
103253	CROWN TROPHY	13.50	103297	OTTERTAIL POWER COM	184.89
103254	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTA	2,049.07	103298	PORTLAND FARMERS UNI	3,513.90
103255	THOMAS EBLEN	150.00	103299	JASON POHLKAMP	80.50
103256	EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL	234.49	103300	POST BOARD	90.00
103257	KURT ELLIOTT	600.00	103301	CHICAGO POWER PLAN	235.30
103258	FINLEY FARMERS GRAND	245.23	103302	RESERVE ACCOUNT	2,925.00
103259	FINLEY MOTORS INC	25,051.00	103303	REMARK TECH CONSULTING	1,746.56
103260	GREAT AMERICA LEASING	117.00	103304	SCHAEFFERS	429.00
103261	GENERAL ROOFING CONST	3,457.00	103305	BONNIE SCHOLL	300.00
103262	TOD SCOTT HARRINGTON	1,035.00	103306	SEATOL	4,000.00
103263	GLENDA HAUGEN	600.00	103307	SORUM OIL COMPANY	464.95
103264	HILLSBORO BANNER	39.00	103308	WENDY SOLEMSAAS	517.50
103265	HILLSBORO BODY SHOP	895.21	103309	SIGN SOLUTIONS	39.20
103266	HATTON COOP OIL CO	63.77	103310	STEELE COUNTY	2,583.00
103267	HILLSBORO MUNICIPAL	2,581.68	103311	STEELE COUNTY	1,332.50
103268	INTERSTATE BATTERY CEN	23.45	103312	CHARLES STOCK	510.00
103269	INFORMATION TECH DEPT	919.50	103313	STURDEVANTS	312.72

103270	INLAND TRUCK PARTS	313.61	103314	TRAILL COUNTY AUDITOR	46,156.75
103271	JAMESTOWN COMM.	180.00	103315	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERV	306.80
103272	JOHN DEERE CREDIT	56.87	103316	FOSTER	100.00
103273	KELLYS CHRYSLER CENTER	81.65	103317	TRAILL COUNTY TRIBUNE	212.91
103274	KLJ ENGINEERING LLC	22,135.42	103318	TRS INDUSTRIES	240.47
103275	KUSTOM SIGNALS INC	662.00	103319	WELLS FARGO BANK RENT	985.00
103276	JILL LAGEIN	451.92	103320	FOSTER	130.00
103277	KIMBERLY LEE LAUTT	517.50	103321	WRIGHT IMPLEMENT	169.95
103278	LAWSON PRODUCTS	296.79	103322	WILKINS COUNTY SHERIFF	90.00
103279	LEP MANAGEMENT	65.00	103323	WEST SIDE STEEL	368.76
103280	LEXIPOL LLC	4,986.10	103324	WALLWORK TRUCK CENTER	172.76
103281	LOFFLER COMPANIES INC	22.73	103325	LARRY YOUNG	50.00
103282	MAYPORT HARDWARE	2.49	103326	ND BLUE CROSS SHIELD B	5,716.77
103283	MAGNUSONS TIRES	692.84	103327	NDPHIT	52,547.73
103284	NAPA MAYVILLE	280.99	103328	NDPERS INSURANCE	2,226.55
103285	FARNAMS GENUINE PARTS	332.32	103329	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK	13,462.05

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. to meet again on December 21, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

Attest:

Glenda Haugen, Auditor

Kurt Elliott, Chairman