

The Traill County Commissioners came to order in regular session on April 18, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. with all members present. Glenda Haugen, Auditor requested to add Steve Hunt, Sheriff to the agenda. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the amended agenda. On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the minutes of April 11, 2023.

HIGHWAY FINANCES: Matt Lange, KLJ Engineer presented preliminary figures for Traill County's 2023-2024 road projects along with potential future projects. Lange explained Traill County's planning estimates for 2023-2024 total \$29,550,000.00 with Federal aid contributing \$16,557,760.00, Polk County MN and Hillsboro city contributing \$7,800,000.00 leaving \$5,195,240.00 as Traill County's share. ARPA and Prairie Dog Funds will help cover some of the costs along with the current FM Road Fund. The report included additional projects with an estimated cost of \$18,570,000.00.

COUNTY ROAD #25: Corwyn Martin, Road Superintendent and Matt Lange, KLJ Engineer, Nick West, Grand Forks County Engineer and several area landowners met with the board. Discussion was held on the highway finances. West reiterated that paving of County Road 25 is still a priority and would like to see this project done with Grand Forks County paying for ½ of the cost. Total estimated cost for the project is \$4,200,000.00. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Amb to borrow \$1,500,000.00 from the Bank of ND, at 2% interest rate, to pave County Road 25, and place a question on the 2024 June Primary election asking the citizens of Traill County for approval of the loan, those present and voting aye: Commissioners Nesvig, Amb and Young, voting nay: Commissioners Elliott and Eblen, motion passed.

COUNTY ROAD #10: Chris Hong and Curtis Hong met with the board requesting the Commissioners to preserve County Road #10 as a paved road and to not turn it back into a gravel road. Martin and Lange explained what would need to be done to resurface the road, which includes widening the roadway. The Hong's offered to do the dirt work and hauling of materials to help with costs of preserving the road. Martin and Lange will review the project and bring back to a future meeting.

HIGHWAY UPDATES: Martin requested to hire KLJ to do a hydraulic study on County Road 16, North of Portland Junction. A study must be completed before a culvert can be added. On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to hire KLJ for the study. Martin informed the Board of Roger Lee's retirement as of April 30, 2023. Martin interviewed two individuals and requested to hire both individuals at \$21.00 per hour and increase E. Werre \$1.13 per hour, K. Showers \$0.50 per hour and R. Hoggard \$0.50 per hour. On motion of Amb, seconded by Elliott and carried to allow the pay adjustments as requested. RESOLUTION: Commissioner Eblen introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption which motion was seconded by Commissioner Amb: WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$2,503,525.10 from Robert R. Schroeder Construction Inc. received in the bid opening of April 14, 2023 for Project BRP-0049(030) was the low bid received. WHEREAS, this bid is considered reasonable. NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of TRAILL COUNTY will award to Robert R Schroeder Construction Inc. the contract for Project BRP-0049(030) and hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board and Auditor to sign said contract. It is further understood that the County shall reimburse the North Dakota Department of Transportation for any payments made under this contract, which are not collectible from the Federal Highway Administration. All Commissioners present and voting aye for the resolution, resolution passed.

SHERIFF: Steve Hunt, Sheriff updated the board on the flooding issues. Hunt invited all to attend a ICS 100/200 training on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 7:30 pm in the Sheriff's office.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received Agassiz Valley Human Service Zone Board March minutes and financials, no action needed.

SUMMER HOURS: On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow a change in the courthouse offices summer hours on a one-year trial basis. For 2023 the courthouse offices will be Monday-Thursday, 7:00am-5:30pm, closed ½ hour for lunch from 12:00pm to 12:30pm. Courthouse summer hours run from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

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

106363	ASHLEY ASUZU	28.82	106381	LITTLE FALLS MACHINE INC	109.45
106364	BUXTON FARMERS UNION	9,147.83	106382	LOFFLER COMPANIES INC	86.77
106365	BUTLER MACHINERY	13,053.98	106383	KELSEY MDUDA	222.15
106366	CASS COUNTY FINANCE	1,400.00	106384	BETHANY MORROW	715.26
106367	CARLSON CUSTOMS	9,100.00	106385	MAYPORT FARMERS COOP	147.49
106368	CDW GOVERNMENT	172.00	106386	MAYPORT HARDWARE HANK	189.42
106369	BROOKE L DUVAL	349.15	106387	MARSHALL AND SWIFT	385.95
106370	ERIKA FREEBERG	186.02	106388	KATIE MUELLER	103.49
106371	SHANDA HAKK	116.59	106389	NAPA MAYVILLE	687.34
106372	HILLSBORO BANNER	586.71	106390	NAPA CENTRAL	305.74
106373	HERITAGE INSURANCE	75,003.00	106391	OLSEN CHAIN AND CABLE INC	47.90
106374	HILLSBORO LUMBER	37.86	106392	PORTLAND FARMERS UNION	17,527.84
106375	KIM JACOBSON	85.58	106393	ALLISON QUINCER	59.61
106376	TANIA KAMINSKI	29.99	106394	RIVER ROCK PROPERTY	267.00
106377	KLJ ENGINEERING	99,313.85	106395	JENNIFER RUBASH	150.00
106378	KRB GRAVEL LTD	73,700.00	106396	TAMMY SAND	1,543.14
106379	LAKESIDE CONSTRUCTION	1,080.00	106397	SORUM OIL COMPANY	23,907.32
106380	LAWSON PRODUCTS	26.52	106398	SOCIAL SERVICES	500.00

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m. to meet again on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

Attest:

Glenda Haugen, Auditor

Larry Young, Chairman