

The Traill County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. with all members present. On motion of Elliott, seconded by Amb and carried to amend a motion made 08-04-20 to correct the Agassiz Valley Human Service Zone funds to read 2021 Budget \$1,447,650.72, expected revenue \$85,000.00 for a total of \$1,362,650.72. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Amb and carried to approve the minutes of 08-04-20 as amended.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: On motion of Young, seconded by Elliott and carried to approve the Traill County Historical Society Grant request of \$5,000.00 and a Joint Powers Agreement between Traill County and the Traill County Historical Society. 2020 grants approved are as follows: Goose River Heritage Center-Mayville, Hatton Eielson Museum-Hatton, Buxton in Bloom-Buxton and Ringsaker Lutheran Church-Buxton.

HOLIDAY & CLOSURE POLICY: Chief Deputy Auditor Heather Hovey and States Attorney Charlie Stock, presented an updated Holiday and Closure policies. Stock explained that the policy, covers all departments and will give the employees additional pay for having to work on holidays and closures. It is a balance between the old policy and the new updated policy. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Amb and carried to approve the policies as presented effective September 1, 2020.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Corwyn Martin, Road Superintendent and Matt Lange, KJL updated the board on several issues. Signed an agreement between Lindaas & Morgan Townships to aid in FEMA funds. On motion of Young, seconded by Amb and carried to approve a Ditch Cleaning Permit filed by Mark Thompson along County Roads 21, 19, 16 in Lindaas and Garfield Townships. On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve a Drain Tile Discharge and Right of Way Encroachment Permit filed by Mike Beltz along County Road 13, NE ¼ of Section 18 in Caledonia Township. On motion of Amb, seconded by Young and carried to approve a County Road Right-Of-Way Encroachment and Crossing Permit filed by Wayne Tastad along County Road 14, SE ¼ of Section 6 in Lindaas Township. Martin informed the Board that Bridge 55 is now closed due to a bridge inspection and he will be discussing this issue with the TC Water Resource Board., Bridge 10 has now been placed on the Code 3 list and will need to start plans to fix it. Lange and Martin will be attending a bridge tour for bridges #271 & 358. Bridge 92 will be inspected by FEMA on August 14th. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Amb and carried to set the fall stockpile bids for September 15 2020 at 8:05 a.m. All Commissioners will attend a Traill County bridge tour on September 1, 2020 following their regular meeting. Lange informed the board all agreements have been signed for the Kaldorville project. Lange informed the Board an issue on Hwy 11 needs to be fixed and funds will be withheld until it is addressed. Martin will look into issues with weight limit signs being covered up by trees.

ELECTIONS: Glenda Haugen, County Auditor updated the Board on several issues with the upcoming General Election. Commissioner Amb introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption which motion was seconded by Commissioner Nesvig:

Traill County Resolution Regarding November 3, 2020 General Election Process

The Traill County Commission operating under their authority provided by NDCC § 16.1-04-02 & 16.1-11.1-01 and in consideration in response to the COVID-19 pandemic hereby declares by resolution that the previous County polling locations shall be consolidated into one location for the November 3, 2020 general election located at the Mayville Armory, Mayville ND.

The County Commission hereby grants authority to the County Auditor in their discretion to additionally suspend the polling location if State or Federal law otherwise suspends the polling location requirement.

The County Commission further declares under their authority provided by NDCC § 16.1-11.1-01 to the greatest extent possible for the county to conduct the November 3, 2020 general election by vote-by-mail or in person ballot. The Commission encourages all qualified citizens to take every opportunity to vote by mail ballot prior to the November 3, 2020 Election.

Upon roll call vote: Eblen-AYE, Elliott-AYE, Nesvig-AYE, Young-AYE and Amb-AYE.

This is to certify that the above resolution was adopted and passed at a meeting of the Board of Traill County Commissioners on August 18, 2020.

Haugen asked the Board for guidance on the courthouse being open to the public or remain closed. On motion of Young, seconded by Nesvig and carried to continue with "restricted access" to county buildings thru November 10, 2020. The "restricted access" to county buildings will be reviewed after 11-10-20. On motion of Amb, seconded by Elliott and carried to return hours of operation for county offices back to Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting September 8, 2020. Commissioners asked Haugen to schedule the Unified Command Team to attend September 1, 2020 meeting to discuss bringing all employees back to work in the offices.

NOVEMBER COMMISSION MEETING: On motion of Young, seconded by Nesvig and carried to move the Tuesday, November 3, 2020 Commission meeting to Wednesday, November 4, 2020 due to elections.

HEALTH INSURANCE: Discussed the upcoming 11:00 conference call with NDIRF concerning health insurance policies. NDIRF is now offering health insurance to government entities at the same cost and coverage as NDPERS. All entities have been given such a short time to decide if they want to switch companies.

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

100177	Advanced Business Methods	74.65	100198	OK Tire Store	331.92
100178	Ameri Pride Linen	388.44	100199	Portland Farmers Union	2700.30
100179	Baker Funeral Home	1800.00	100200	Paulson Gravel Service	930.00
100180	Buxton Farmers Union	1506.53	100201	Omaha RDO Truck	1066.83
100181	Bob Barker Company	181.89	100202	Remark Tech Consulting	16200.00
100182	Business Essentials	1802.97	100203	Razor Tracking Inc	50.00
100183	Butler Machinery	278.92	100204	Swanston Equipment Co	936.36
100184	Century Link	84.00	100205	Sanford Health Hillsboro	40.00
100185	Cole Papers Inc	59.06	100206	Stones Mobile Radio	239.09
100186	Fargo Forks Freightliner	3365.80	100207	Sorum Oil Company	132.05
100187	GF Co Correctional Center	4800.00	100208	Grand Forks Strata Corp	5999.64
100188	Hillsboro Banner	344.92	100209	Toshiba Financial Service	303.86
100189	Hillsboro Lumber	252.36	100210	TC Historical Society	5000.00
100190	Information Tech Dept	1100.05	100211	Traill County Tribune	263.25
100191	Kiesler Police Supply	2079.89	100212	Valley United Coop	370.74
100192	Loffler Companies Inc	48.60	100213	Verizon Wireless	884.05
100193	Matthew Bender Co	68.88	100214	Visa	34.89
100194	MLGC	145.08	100215	Waste Management	566.30
100195	Farnams Genuine Parts	323.68	100216	Walkers Lawncare LLC	30160.00
100196	New Century Press	309.00	100217	Wallwork Truck Center	311.56
100197	Nodak Electric Coop	523.51	100218	XCEL Energy	101.61

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Attest:

Glenda Haugen, Auditor

Thomas Eblen, Chairman

The Traill County Commissioners joined a conference call on 08-18-20 at 11:00 a.m. with North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund. All members were present, with Commissioner Eblen leaving the call early. Jon Heath, Benefit Strategies Consultant and Randall Johnson, Strategic Consultant of the Hays Companies held an open conference call

for Commissioners and all employees to listen to the information available should Traill County wishes to leave NDPERS and sign up with NDIRF. The consultants assured Traill County that the premiums and policy benefits will remain the same for 2021 as they are in 2020. No decision or motions were made during this conference call.

Kurt Elliott, Vice-Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Attest:

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