

The Traill County Commissioners came to order in regular session on April 11, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present in person: Commissioners Eblen, Elliott, Nesvig and Young. Commissioner Amb attended via Webex. Elliott requested to add two items to the agenda, Highway interviews and Load limits. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the amended agenda. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Elliott and carried to approve the minutes of March 21, 2023.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received notice from NDHHS approved of AVHSZ's updated plan, *no action needed*. Received notice of NDIRF Annual meeting on May 10, 2023, *no action needed*.

HILLSBORO STARS & STRIPES: On motion of Eblen, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow the Auditor to sign an agreement with Hillsboro Stars & Stripes to place flags on the courthouse property for the 2023 calendar year totaling \$280.00.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH: ND State celebrates County Government Month in April. Traill County will celebrate at a later date.

LIQUOR/BEER LICENSES: On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the liquor and beer licenses for Goose River Golf Club for on sale only.

HIGHWAY: On motion of Elliott, seconded by Amb and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor to sign purchase agreements with JC & J Trucking, Ferguson Waterworks and KRB Gravel. Matt Lange, KLJ Engineer updated the board on various ongoing projects. On motion of Eblen, seconded by Elliott and carried to approve the Engineering Agreement with KLJ for paving of County Road 1 and 16, upon Charlie Stock, States Attorney approval. On motion of Amb, seconded by Eblen and carried to allow Corwyn Martin, Road Superintendent authority to hire an individual following the interviews. On motion of Amb, seconded by Nesvig and carried to allow Martin to allow the load limits to go on.

COUNTY ROAD #25: Nick West, GF County Engineer and area farmers met with the board. West informed the board that the Grand Forks County Commissioners did approve financing half of the cost to pave County Road #25 up to six miles. West is again requesting Traill County to move forward with paving the road, or perhaps reducing the number of miles paved to three, if cost is an issue. West also stated that Grand Forks County could look at paying more than the 50% cost share since a large amount of the trucks coming into the Reynolds piling site are from the Grand Forks County side. Chuck Nelson, area farmer stated that the road is very dangerous, and something needs to be done. Kevin Sondreal, area farmer requested to reconsider paving the 6 miles and is opposed to reducing to 3 miles. Eblen informed the group that the Commissioners will need to review all county projects and funding available before making any decisions on County Road #25 and will invite West back to a future meeting.

SHERIFF: Steve Hunt, Sheriff gave updates to the potential flood forecast. On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Elliott and carried to allow the Chairman and Auditor sign a Flood Emergency Disaster Declaration for Traill County.

CUSTODIAN: Jenni Rubash, Head Custodian presented a quote for the generator replacement from Interstate Energy Systems in the amount of \$43,750.00 with an option of adding a transfer switch costing \$16,640.00. Rubash will gather additional information and quotes for the May 2, 2023, meeting.

AGENT: Jill Murphy, County Extension Agent informed the board, ND State has renewed their 2-year contract for spraying. Also reminded everyone of the upcoming Township Officers meeting on 04-20-23 in Reynolds.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Heather Hovey, Chief Deputy Auditor requested to allow a change to the courthouse summer hours for 2023. The request would be to work 4-ten hours days, Monday-Thursday, with the courthouse being open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and closed from 12:00 p.m.(noon) to 12:30 p.m. for lunch, and closed all day on Fridays. The summers hours would run from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Changing summer hours was tabled until the next

meeting. Hovey presented the salary survey information received from Gallagher. Commissioners tabled this until the 05-02-23 meeting.

AUDITOR'S WARRANTS: On motion duly made and carried, the following bills paid by the County Auditor to March 1, 2023, were allowed paid to-wit:

106243 Traill County Treasurer (FOASI)	91,599.48	106244 NDPERS-Retirement	55,851.47
84493-84590 March Payroll	385,934.76		

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

106310	AMB & SONS EXCAVATION LLC	14,800.00	106337	NAASTAD BROTHERS INC.	2,650.00
106311	BLAINE BORGES FARMS LLC	18,955.00	106338	NDACO	105.90
106312	ND BLUE CROSS SHIELD BILLING	7,067.30	106339	NDDOT	6.50
106313	WEX BENEFITS FEES	59.50	106340	NDPOA	40.00
106314	MEL CARSEN	15,954.50	106341	ND 24 7 ATTORNEY GENERAL	434.00
106315	CDW GOVERNMENT	4,648.09	106342	NORTHERN STATES SUPPLY	249.49
106316	CIVIL SPECIALTIES	3,900.00	106343	OK TIRE STORE	848.90
106317	CNH INDUSTRIAL RETAIL ACCOUNTS	1,901.60	106344	OLSEN HARDWARE	173.19
106318	CITY OF BUXTON	229.00	106345	OTTERTAIL POWER	157.16
106319	DAKOTA HERITAGE BANK	1,860.00	106346	PAULS HOMETOWN REPAIR	65.00
106320	MARLENE EBLEN	175.56	106347	CHICAGO POWER PLAN	4,512.72
106321	EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL WATER	339.37	106348	REMARK TECH CONSULTING	22,733.00
106322	FARGO FORKS FREIGHTLINER	680.77	106349	ND STATES ATTORNEY ASSOC	300.00
106323	FINLEY FARMERS GRAND ELAVATOR	219.73	106350	CHUCK SCHWARTAU	20.50
106324	GREAT AMERICA LEASING	260.00	106351	SEATOL	2,000.00
106325	GENERAL EQUIP AND SUPPLIES	2,415.16	106352	THE SIDWELL COMPANY	6,076.58
106326	HATTON COOP OIL CO	33.40	106353	TAYLOR TOOLS	434.75
106327	HOPE FARMERS UNION OIL	435.29	106354	SANITATION PRODUCTS INC	288.44
106328	HILLSBORO MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	2,851.83	106355	ND STATE RADIO COMM	2,251.52
106329	HILLSBORO STARS AND STRIPES	280.00	106356	STEELE COUNTY	1,586.27
106330	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	1,276.35	106357	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERV	376.58
106331	JOHN DEERE CREDIT	386.68	106358	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	5,199.46
106332	TANIA KAMINSKI	28.17	106359	VALLEY PETROLEUM EQUIP	495.00
106333	KRIS ENGINEERING, INC.	6,269.80	106360	WRIGHT IMPLEMENT	902.53
106334	LARSON WELDING AND MACHINE	1,688.75	106361	JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NA	34,477.92
106335	METROPOLITAN MECHANICAL	332.50	106362	NDPERS INSURANCE	2,781.33
106336	MIDSTATES WIRELESS	1,308.06			

There being no further business to be brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m. to meet again on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

Attest:

Glenda Haugen, Auditor

Larry Young, Chairman