

RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 20, 2017

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met on June 20, 2017 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Sid Berg, Nathan Berseth, Tim Campbell, Rollie Ehlert and Dan Thompson. Others in attendance were Administration Personnel Bailey and DelVal; State's Attorney McBeth; and a Daily News Reporter.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

FY2017 State Homeland Security Grant - Submitted the following grant requests:

- Richland County Emergency Management - \$15,000 for full scale training on terrorism
- Richland County Sheriff Department - \$19,000 for Key Fob System for LEC and Courthouse
- Siren Projects - for Mantador, Lidgerwood, Hankinson, Wahpeton and Christine
- Generators for City Buildings - in Walcott, Mooreton, Great Bend, Dwight, Colfax, Christine and Barney

FEMA Projects - Waiting on appeals for two Elma Township Projects.

2017 Emergency Performance Grant (EMPG) - Was submitted last week.

Flood Remapping - A meeting to discuss flood remapping will be held June 21 at 7:00 PM at the Wilkin County Recycling Center.

SE Emergency Managers Meeting - Scheduled for July 11 at 10:00 AM in Tower City.

DEB FLACK - PHARMACEUTICAL FRIDGE

Flack reported the pharmaceutical fridge purchased in 2010 for vaccines needs to be replaced. It was overheating and the vaccines stored in it were transferred to St. Francis Hospital. The estimated cost to replace the fridge is \$4,000; there is also a Sense-A-Phone that monitors it that should be replaced - that estimated cost is \$694 or \$886 depending on the data logger. Flack requested authorization to purchase a new vaccine fridge for the Health Department and a Sense-a-Phone. A motion was made by Berg to authorize the Health Department to purchase a Vaccine Fridge and Sense-a-Phone and to adjust the Budget; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

DWIGHT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Wade Griffin and Dick Dickerson from the Dwight Fire Department were present.

Bailey explained that a wrong number was used in calculating the mill levy for the Dwight Fire Department which shorted them approximately \$49,500; because they were not at the maximum levy there is room to make up the difference over the next three to four years. Bailey proposed lending the Fire District the money they were shorted and the Fire District can pay it back over a three year period.

Following discussion a motion was made by Ehlert to approve a 10-year amortization schedule for \$49,500 with a three year balloon payment; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

Dickerson will take the information back to the Fire Department Board to see if acceptable and they will submit an amended Budget.

JANET GAGELIN - POOR FARM and RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

Gagelin presented a letter from the Fairview Cemetery Board stating they have set aside two areas in Section A, Old Fairview for low income/county interments.

Gagelin reported that ownership of the Riverside Cemetery, located next to the old Richland County Poor Farm Cemetery, cannot be accurately determined. It is a registered Cemetery but the last record of ownership is dated 1931. The ND State Board of Health is the department in charge of registered cemeteries and they have recommended that the status of the Riverside Cemetery be declared inactive due to the lack of ownership records.

A motion was made by Thompson to approve a Resolution that the Riverside Cemetery becomes inactive for interments and sales; motion seconded by Berg.

Discussion followed - the Board questioned if they had the authority to make the cemetery inactive and how that may effect future burials for family members that had planned to be buried there with family.

Vote on the motion was tabled to give Gagelin time to follow-up with the funeral home on any families of those interned at Riverside Cemetery that this may affect.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Personnel in attendance were Lowell Bladow and visitor Jesse Sedler of Interstate Engineering.

Paving Projects CH#1, 81 & 21 - Mark Sand & Gravel has started moving the asphalt to the pit.

CH#1E Change Order - Mark Sand & Gravel will honor bid prices for doing the Change Order. The Casino has been contacted regarding cost participation, it sounds doubtful that they will participate. A motion was made by Thompson to proceed with the Change Order; motion seconded by Campbell. Voting NO was Berseth, the remainder voted Yes and the motion carried.

Bridge 123-24.3 - Robert Schroeder Construction has removed the old bridge and they are starting sheet pile work on the south pier.

Drain #14 Reconstruction - JAV will be closing the road to replace centerline culverts as they cross them; we have set up a detour for when they are replacing culverts.

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Ehlert to approve a Resolution for imposition of victim fees in all law violations that have imprisonment as a penalty; motion seconded by Thompson. Voting NO was Berg, the remainder voted Yes and the motion carried.

Bailey presented a proposal from Dyrness Construction, Wahpeton for \$31,419.79 for Social Services. They will be adding a glass wall for security, new counters, a hallway wall shelf for paperwork and pass through windows. A motion was made by Campbell to proceed with the remodel; motion seconded by Berg. Vote was unanimous.

Bailey reported the IRS is enforcing use of vehicles and we should update the County Policy for private use. A motion was made by Berg to add the IRS requirements to the County Policy effective July 1; motion seconded by Thompson. Voting NO was Campbell, the remainder Voted Yes and the motion carried.

The Board discussed pursuing Vote by Mail for future Elections. Bailey reported 31 of the 53 counties in North Dakota use this process. Bailey was instructed to get some additional information for the Board.

A motion was made by Berg to approve a Raffle Permit Application for the Wahpeton FFA Alumni Association; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Campbell to approve a Raffle Permit Application for the Hankinson Sandhills Saddle Club; motion seconded by Thompson. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berg to approve a Game Site Authorization for the Great Bend Volunteer Firefighters; motion seconded by Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Berg to approve reimbursement to the Water Resource District in the amount of \$3,126.86 for Bliss Law Firm Expenses relating to the Diversion; motion seconded by Ehlert. Voting NO was Thompson; the remainder Voted YES and the motion carried.

- Correspondence from Don Heitkamp re- stockpiling of manure
- Correspondence from ND Dept of Health re- stockpiling of earthen material

Ehlert reported a meeting was held last week regarding the Requirements for On-Site Sewage Treatment Systems, several points are being worked on and will be presented to Fargo-Cass. Will have an update at the July 5th meeting.

Campbell asked the Board members if they had given any more consideration to the starting Salary for Dispatchers as discussed at a previous meeting. Bailey stated Departments have the option of not starting at Step 1 rather than moving a total Grade. Berseth suggested the Board discuss further in July.

Campbell reported Jason Weber from SEMCA will be attending a meeting in July to present funding information to the Commission.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June

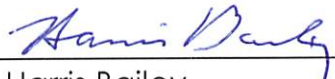
- 21 FEMA Meeting
- 21 JDA Meeting
- 21 LARDC
- 22 ND Dept of Commerce Meeting
- 30 County Equalization Meeting

July

- 5 Commission Meeting
- 18 Commission Meeting

Being there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

ATTEST:



Harris Bailey
Auditor/Administrator



Nathan A. Berseth
Board of Richland County Commissioners

CHAIRPERSON

RICHLAND COUNTY
COMMISSION RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: FEE ASSESSMENT FOR VICTIM SERVICES

ADOPTED DATE: JUNE 20, 2017

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A RESOLUTION FOR IMPOSITION OF VICTIM FEES IN ALL LAW VIOLATIONS
THAT HAVE IMPRISONMENT AS A PENALTY:

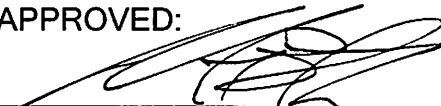
WHEREAS, The 2017 North Dakota Legislature recently passed and the Governor signed HB 1003; and

WHEREAS, HB 1003 contained a requirement that cities and counties help fund improvements to the Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification Program (SAVIN); and

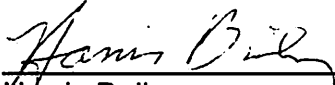
WHEREAS, HB 1003 amended N.D.C.C. §27-01-10 to require the governing body of a county to pass a resolution authorizing district court judges to impose a fee of not more than \$25 on ALL crimes which have imprisonment as a possible consequence; and

WHEREAS, HB 1003 is set to become effective July 1, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Richland, is hereby passed this 20th day of June, 2017, a resolution requesting the district court judges to impose such a victim fee on all crimes where imprisonment is a possibility and regardless of whether imprisonment is imposed or not, to be collected and distributed to the county to be used for victim service's improvements.

APPROVED: 

Nathan Berseth, Chair
Board of Commissioners
County of Richland

ATTEST:


Harris Bailey
Richland County Auditor

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