

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

April 11, 2019

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on April 11, 2019 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Strinden at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Schulz, Leingang, Zachmeier and Buckley, Deputy Auditor Eckroth and States Attorney Koppy.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Leingang seconded to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to approve bills and payroll. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Buckley seconded to approve the letters of support of the 2019 Community Connect Grant from BEK Communication Cooperative and sign the associated letters. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve the request of BMDA Morton County Development Funds for Morton County Fair Board in the amount of \$25,000 designating \$5,800 for Rodeo Stock. Voting aye: Leingang, Zachmeier, Schulz and Strinden. Voting nay: Buckley. Motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to approve Homestead Credit Abatements # 5252 - #5256. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Leingang seconded to approve the ratification of the Morton County Emergency Flood Declaration for Overland and Riverine Flooding. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Schulz seconded approval of a special use permit to locate an accessory dwelling unit in the SE ¼ of Section 6, Township 137N, Range 83W, Morton County, as the application conforms to the requirements of Section 5-010 of the Morton County Land Use Code, with the following condition:

1. The new residential structure must be located north of County Road 137 and outside the special flood hazard area.
2. Substantial construction on the new residence must begin by December 31, 2021.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang second to approve the request by Knife River, Arthur Carlson and David Hendrickson for a special use permit (SUP) to allow a gravel extraction, crushing and stockpiling operations on approx. 20 acres in the NW ¼ of Section of 4 and NE ¼ of Section 5, Township 138N, Range 82W, Morton County with the following conditions:

1. Hours of operation for all noise-producing activities and hauling of material shall be limited to 7:00am to 6:00pm, Monday through Friday.
2. The term of the SUP is two years from the approval date.
3. Knife River or its agent shall apply calcium chloride, magnesium chloride or similar chemical to some or all portions of the haul route, as directed by the County Engineer, to minimize dust.
4. The special use permit is contingent upon the development of a road maintenance agreement between Morton County and Knife River.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang second to approve the request for an amendment to the Morton County Land Use Code Section 10-020(b) Long Form Subdivision/Consultation and Application, regarding long-form subdivision application requirements and availability of potable water. Voting aye: Zachmeier, Leingang. Voting nay: Buckley, Schulz, Strinden. Motion denied.

Leingang moved and Buckley seconded to authorize the Highway Department to request bids for culverts including steel, concrete and plastic. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to authorize the Highway Department to request bids for gravel crushing. All voting aye, motion carried

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the offer negotiated for right of way and temporary easements needed for construction of the Sims Bridge. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Buckley seconded to accept the resignation letter from Doug Griffin from the Morton County Park Board with regrets. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to authorize the County Auditor to proceed with securing financing for the LEC remodel structured as bonds of 2.5 million and a loan of \$500,000 from the Bank of ND as well as to hire Bond Counsel. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from March 27, 2019 through April 11, 2019, equals \$2,369,782.41.

A detailed list of funds expended by check is available for public inspection anytime during regular business hours at the Morton County Auditor's Office.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to adjourn at 6:47 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Bruce Strinden, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____