

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
January 28, 2014

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on January 28, 2014 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Strinden at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Boehm, Leingang, Schulz and Auditor Rhone.

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

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2014 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to deny the invoice from the ND Water Users for a 2014 membership in the amount of \$100 since both the Morton County Water District and the Lower Heart Water District are members. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve submission of the NDDDES Homeland Security Grant for dive team equipment and training. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to deny abatements #4468-4470 as they do not qualify. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Schulz seconded to approve abatement #4471. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatements #4472-4492, 4494-4499, 4501-4513. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to schedule the County Board of Equalization Meeting on June 5, 2014 at 6:00 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Schulz seconded to increase ag land values by 12% as required by NDCC 57-02-27.2. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to authorize the addition of 1 Eligibility Worker position for Social Services. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve a zoning text amendment of Appendix I Wind Energy Facilities, Section 4(b) to read as follows:

“Each wind turbine shall be set back from the nearest public Interstate, state, county, or township road or above ground communication or electrical lines or railroad right of way a distance not less than two hundred fifty (250) feet from the center line of the existing right of way.”

All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to approve the Honeywell proposal for the Cooling Tower Retrofit project in the amount of \$178,500. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the proposal from Dakota Sound Systems, Inc in the amount of \$8,995 to upgrade the sound system in the Commission Room. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from January 14, 2014 through January 28, 2014, equals \$662,848.97. 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 Boehm seconded to adjourn at 6:54pm. All voting aye, motion carried.

Bruce Strinden, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____