

Morton County Road Commission Meeting
Morton County Highway Department, 2916 37th St NW, Mandan, ND 58554
April 20, 2022

Commission members Present: Jackie Buckley, Ron Leingang, Roger Hille, Steve Tomac

Commission members Absent: Kyle Kirchmeier

Others present: John Saiki

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Jackie Buckley

Roger made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Discussion of Storm Gates was added. Ron 2nd.
Motion carried

Steve made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, Roger 2nd, motion carried

1. All County roads are open after blizzard. Work this week has been to move the snow out to at least the shoulder of the road.
 - a. Monthly Updates - Design Projects – Solen Bridge: HDR has been working with the FEMA Hydraulic Model. They have been able to model a “no rise” condition with a new bridge to the east of the existing bridge. Survey is complete, Geotechnical Report is complete. Little Heart (Interstate Engineering), will be advertised for bidding next week. Youngtown (AE2S Engineering), Youngtown work is progressing on getting this project ready for bidding through the NDDOT system. Bridge north of the Truck Stop (Sauber) design is complete. Waiting for the Level II Cultural Survey. The bridge on County Road 80, Hydraulic Design is complete. Bridge North of Mandan (KLJ), awaiting survey. Bridge W of Vern Leingang (Moore Engineering), under contract. The bridge near Danzig Dam (SRF), survey is complete.
 - b. Construction Projects – Bridge project near Hebron is in the contract signing phase. Gravel Crushing bids were opened and the Fisher Sand & Gravel were low bidder at \$ 7.20 per cubic yard. There was discussion about crushing an additional 10,000 cubic yards since the low bid was lower than estimated. Before presenting to the full Commission, we will determine how much Scoria had to be paid for before committing to crushing additional quantity.
 - c. Culvert Replacements – Advertised for Annual Bid prices. TruNorth Steel was the only bid received. They will not honor their quote for an entire year. The prices in their bid were higher than the prices we paid for our January order. By ordering our pipe for the entire year in January, we saved almost \$ 17,000. Forterra chose not to bid, due to the volatility of the market. They will provide quotes on a project by project basis. The reinforcing steel is the variable.
 - d. Budget Update – Reviewed expenditures. We had an order of diesel fuel delivered on Tuesday, \$ 4.10 per gallon

2. County Policy for Opening and Closing of Roads and Section Lines – The group agreed to discuss this item at the May meeting since both Natalie was not available and Chad was absent.
3. Storm Gates – Chad returned to the office and joined the meeting. He talked about the rescues the Highway Department performed. After the discussion it was decided to at least get prices for Gates for about 6 locations, CR 139, CR 139A and discuss at a later meeting.

Roger moved to adjourn, Ron 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.