

**Morton County Road Commission Meeting**  
**Morton County Highway Department, 2916 37<sup>th</sup> St NW, Mandan, ND 58554**  
**June 19, 2024**

Commission members Present: Jackie Buckley, Kyle Kirchmeier, Roger Hille (telephone)

Commission members Absent: Ron Leingang, Steve Tomac

Others present: John Saiki, Chad Schneider, Kevin and Kristi Miller

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

Kyle made a motion to approve the agenda. Roger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Kyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Jackie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

1. Kevin or Kristina Miller – Appealing their temporary approach permit denial. They are asking to have it remain permanently. They are not asking for County Maintenance nor snow removal. Item was discussed including setting a precedence. After discussion Roger made a motion to uphold denial, but allow the approach to remain in place until October 15<sup>th</sup>, so they can complete land scaping work. The removed dirt will be allowed to be disposed in the bottom of the ditch to make mowing of the ditch easier. Drainage will have to be maintained. Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.
2. Discuss Policies – Kyle stated that the Overweight Policy will have to be removed from consideration by the County Commission. Additional work will have to be done. The new policies were reviewed. There were items that are to be removed and they were highlighted. Roger made a motion that the policies be submitted to the County Commission for approval. Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.
3. Discuss the sale of used equipment – Advising the Road Commission that we will be advertising used equipment on an online auction from July 1 – July 17.
4. Discuss advertising for Culvert Bids – Advising the Road Commission that we will be advertising for Culvert Bids. After bids are received, we will review at the July Road Commission meeting then present to the full Commission at the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
5. Monthly Updates – a & b. Design Projects and Construction projects – Bridges near Flasher and St Anthony are under contract with APEX, bidding in January 2025. Structure type has been selected. Bridge South of Almont (Sauber Engineering) selected Alignment, Bidding January 2026. Little Heart Bridge – Work complete. Bridge North of Mandan (Mork) with (KLJ), Road Commission agreed to straighten out road. Swingen Construction poured the concrete for the bridge deck on the Starck bridge last week. Received quote from Swingen Construction for repair of bridge near Hebron.

There is money in the Bridge Replacement line item to pay for the work. Roger made motion to proceed with repair, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.

- c. Culvert Replacements – Chad reviewed the plans for the summer. Replacing small culverts. Graveled 36 miles of road this summer to date.
  - d. Budget Update – No large overages like last year. There is money in the Contractor line item and County Bridge line item, enough to cover the Remainder of the Starck Bridge, the match for the overlay on CR 139 and replacement of the Graf Bridge, north of the truck stop. We will proceed with bidding these two projects. We will be requesting an additional Full Time Employee since so many subdivisions have been added since 2017.
  - e. Update on Bid Bond Graf Bridge – have received a response from the bonding company. They have requested information, which I forwarded to the States Attorneys office to be sent.
6. Discussed change to the Land Use Code requiring Hard Surface Roads for new subdivisions. The Road Commission would like to see Sub Division Developers involved early in the development of this change.

Kyle moved to adjourn, Jackie 2<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting was adjourned 10:10 am.