

Morton County Road Commission Meeting
Morton County Highway Department, 2916 37th St NW, Mandan, ND 58554
September 16, 2020

Commission members Present: Ron Leingang, Jackie Buckley, Roger Hille (telephone), Kyle Kirchmeier, Steve Tomac

Commission members Absent: None

Others present: John Saiki, Chad Schneider, Levi Backhouse, Mark Isaac – Toman Engineering

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

Steve made a motion to approve the amended agenda, Kyle 2nd, motion carried

Kyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, Ron 2nd, motion carried

1. Monthly updates

Design Projects –Little Heart Bridge – Interstate Engineering; Wenk Engineering Environmental Permit still at the Army Corps of Engineers. Youngtown – AE2S continuing design work on Concrete Box Culvert. No other projects are under design due to the continuing bridge inspections and the priority of the work may change.

Construction / Culvert Replacements – Almont Bridge – Final is complete and submitted. The final estimate will be generated, so that project is closed out. Sims Bridge – Midwest Contracting, LLC of Marshall, MN work is complete and the project has been accepted. Work on the final papers is on going and currently at 70 percent. The Bridge Crew is working on their fifth bridge replacement this year. Gravel Crushing continues all tests have been good, both the quality control tests as well as the quality assurance tests. Gravel Crew has completed 130 miles. Mowing is ongoing. Next week we will be seeding completed projects.

Budget / Cash Flow information reviewed for July & August 2020.

2. Levi Backhaus discussed what they want to do. They would like to improve a section line road to County Standards for 500 feet and have the Highway Department maintain that section. The remainder of the work will be on their property and they will maintain. The 911 address will be assigned along Highway ND31.
3. Discussed Fisher Section line. Highway Department will send a letter to the Kahl Family trust to advise that a gate will have to be constructed across the section line, where now it is fenced. The gate can be closed but not locked. A copy of the relevant section of the Century Code will be included. The Highway Department will improve the approach off 44th Street. This will require conversations with the three involved property owners. The Bauman fence will have to be removed as well. Ron made the motion and Steve second. Motion approved to move forward.

4. Policy Manual was discussed as to what should be included and it was agreed that there should be at least a statement that Policies not available on the County website can be reviewed during business hours at the Highway Department office.
5. Local Roads Conference – Rapid City. Permission was requested to seek approval for five employees to attend the Local Roads Conference in Rapid City. Roger made a motion and Steve second, motion carried. John will present to full Commission.

There has been heightened enforcement along CR 138 near the intersection of ND 6. Kyle asked if there is a specific time of day that the Sheriff's Department should concentrate.

Steve made a motion to adjourn at 10:49 am, Kyle second and the meeting was adjourned.