

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
May 26, 2020

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on May 26, 2020 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Schulz. The meeting was held virtually with Commissioners Zachmeier, Strinden and Buckley, Auditor Rhone and States Attorney Koppy present via teleconference. Absent was Commissioner Leingang.

Buckley moved and Strinden seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2020 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to approve bills and payroll. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to accept the resignation of Superintendent of Schools, Dale Ekstrom, and to thank him for his 7 years of service. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to appoint Auditor Rhone as the interim Superintendent of Schools. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to appoint Emergency Manager, Cody Mattson, as the Morton County 911 Coordinator. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatement #5345. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Strinden seconded to approve abatements #5348-5351. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to approve abatements #5352-5353. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to approve setting the base assessment fees for townships and cities at \$4 per parcel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to approve Policy 100-007:Marriage License Policy, with the Recorder mentioned by name and employees referenced by position title. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to approve the preliminary plat of the long-form subdivision known as Maverick Estates First Subdivision and a zoning map amendment from (A) Agricultural to (R) Residential on approximately 53.77 acres in the SE1/4 of Section 21, Township 138N, Range 81W as the subdivision conforms to the regulations established in Article 7 of the Morton County Land Use Code and as the subdivision conforms to Policy 1.1.2 subsection G established in the 2045 Comprehensive Plan which allows areas to be developed for residential uses within the Agricultural future land use designation that also lie within ½ mile of either side of the center line of a hard-surfaced road maintained by the County or State. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved to schedule the final plat of the Maverick Estates First Subdivision on the June 25, 2020, Planning & Zoning meeting. Motion died for lack of a second.

Buckley moved and Strinden seconded to approve the County Township Road Mileage Certification form for submission to the Office of the ND Treasurer. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to approve the MOU for mass fatality incident with Custer Health and the Morton County Soil Conservation District. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Zachmeier seconded to require all county staff to report back to work in county facilities on June 1, 2020 and that we restrict public access other than by appointment until June 15, 2020 and effective June 1, 2020, the courts can allow public to attend proceedings. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from May 15, 2020 through May 26, 2020 equals \$704,116.99.

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.

Strinden moved and Buckley seconded to adjourn at 7:54PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Cody Schulz, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____