

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
November 9, 2023

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on November 9, 2023 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Boehm at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Leingang, Buckley, Morrell (virtual) and Auditor Rhone. Also present were States Attorney Koppy and Sheriff Kirchmeier.

Buckley moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agenda as amended. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Leingang seconded to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2023 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Buckley seconded to approve bills and payroll with the exception of 2 bills that require more information. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to recommend approval of the final plat of the short-form subdivision known as Doll Second Subdivision as the subdivision conforms to the regulations established in Article 7 of the Morton County Land Use Code and conforms to the land use priorities established in the 2045 Comprehensive Plan. All voting aye, motion carried. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Buckley seconded to approve Homestead Credit abatements # 6278-6280 and Veterans Credit abatements # 6281 & 6282. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to establish May 31, or if May 31 falls on a weekend the next working day after May 31, of the year in which the farm residence exemption is being applied for as the deadline. No farm residence exemptions will be considered, through abatement or otherwise, after this deadline so that Morton County may meet its obligation under NDCC 57-02-08.9 to ensure the credit is not applied to residences exempt as farm residences.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to amend the motion to change the word approved to considered. All voting aye, amendment carried.

All voting aye, motion carried as amended.

Buckley moved and Leingang seconded to appoint Karen Rohr and Dawson Holle to the Three River Human Resource Zone Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Buckley seconded to approve the bid of the low bidder, Butler Machinery Company, for the purchase of two (2) Caterpillar 150 AWD Motorgraders and Wings at a total cost of \$629,845.00 (\$314,922.50 per unit) and authorize the ordering of the Motorgraders and Wings for delivery after January 1, 2024. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Morrell seconded to send a formal request to NDSU administration to provide Morton County with a different district director. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Leingang seconded to authorize the HR Director to develop a job description and then post an opening for the 4H Coordinator position which will be a Morton County employee. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from October 13 through October 24, 2023 equals

\$1,432,398.10.

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.

Chairman Boehm adjourned the meeting at 6:37 PM.

Nathan Boehm, Chairman, Morton County Commission \_\_\_\_\_

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor \_\_\_\_\_