

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
September 22, 2015

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on September 22, 2015 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Strinden at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Boehm, Leingang and Schulz, Auditor Rhone, States Attorney Koppy and Assistant States Attorney Grosinger.

Boehm moved and Schulz seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2015 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to approve bills. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve \$15,000 of Morton County Development funds to be awarded to the Morton County Fair Board to be used for installation of electrical pedestals for the campground at the County Fairgrounds. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve cancelling and sending the following uncashed checks to State Unclaimed Property.

Auditor's Warrant				
#38261 11/13/2013	To	Monte Volk		\$32.91
Treasurer's Checks				
#12814 3/5/13	To	Malcom Brown		\$10.00
#12835 5/20/13		Gate City Bank		9.00
#12842 6/12/13		Wells Fargo Funding		6.00
#12860 7/17/13		FM Title		21.00

All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the Pledges of Securities as presented by Treasurer Lippert. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve abatement #4765. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the reduction in 2015 values as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to implement the recommendation on the break policy as presented in the handbook. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Strinden opened the Public Hearing on Special Assessment District #1588 for Chip Seal of Roadways in Riverview Heights 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Lots 1 & 2 of Auditor's Lob "B" located in the S1/2, Section 4, T139N, R81W at 6:00PM.

Chairman Strinden closed the Public Hearing at 6:03PM.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve Special Assessment District #1588 and to authorize the County Engineer to advertise for bids for this project. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the gravel pit lease with James Helbling, Fred Helbling & Wayne Helbling located in the SE ¼ of Section 2, Township 137N, Range 83W, in the amount of \$2.00 per cubic yard for 2 years. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve the gravel pit lease with James Helbling located in the NW ¼ Section 11, Township 137N, Range 83W in the amount of \$2.00 per cubic yard and a \$500 per year royalty payment for 5 years. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Schulz seconded to approve the background check employment policy as

presented in the Morton County Handbook pages 35-38. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Strinden opened the Public Hearing on Special Assessment District #1587 for reconstruction of paved roadways in Monte's Rancho's 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Subdivision at 6:17PM.

Chairman Strinden closed the public hearing at 6:19PM.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve Special Assessment District #1587 and to authorize the County Engineer to advertise for bids for this project. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to deny the changes to the bereavement policy. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Strinden opened the Public Budget Hearing at 6:30PM.

Chairman Strinden closed the Public Budget Hearing at 6:38PM.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve the Morton County Employee Handbook as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the liquor license for the 1806 Bar LLC in Fort Rice. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to approve sending a letter to NDHS stating that the additional position in Social Services is needed and that the Commission would have funded this position regardless of SB 2206. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the final 2016 budget with total expenditures of \$30,771,312. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve maintaining up to 5 positions in the Communications Center. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to send a letter to State Radio requesting 911 dispatching services effective January 1, 2016. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve expending up to \$21,975 for tower upgrades to be compatible with State Radio. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to rescind the following motion made earlier in today's meeting:

"Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve the gravel pit lease with James Helbling located in the NW ¼ Section 11, Township 137N, Range 83W in the amount of \$2.00 per cubic yard and a \$500 per year royalty payment for 5 years. All voting aye, motion carried."

All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to deny the gravel pit lease with James Helbling located in NW ¼ of Section 11, Township 137N, Range 83W pending some clarification and additional information. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded to appoint Chairman Strinden as the Morton County delegate to the State Fair Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from September 11, 2015 through September 22, 2015, equals \$333,270.43. 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.

Boehm moved and Schulz seconded to adjourn at 8:12 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Bruce Strinden, Chairman, Morton County Commission \_\_\_\_\_

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