

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
December 30, 2014

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on December 30, 2014 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Strinden at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Boehm, Schulz, Leingang and Zachmeier, Auditor Rhone, States Attorney Koppy and Assistant States Attorney Grosinger.

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

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the minutes of December 8, 2014. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve monthly bills and payroll with the exception of the bill for jail medical services from ND Dept of Human Services. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded approve the application from Elm Crest Manor for County Economic Funds which is allowable under NDCC 11-11.1. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the agreement for jail medical services with Michelle Maier for \$1,000 per month. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agreement for jail nursing services with Dakota Travel Nurse for \$4,300 per month. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to authorize participation in the NDACo Learning Management System to include 30 employees. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the request for an exception to the Nepotism Policy from Sheriff Elect Kirchmeier and also to approve the Procedure for Oversight and Supervision. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Zachmeier seconded to set the salary for Sheriff Elect Kirchmeier at \$78,000. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve Preble as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve a special use permit for a telecommunications tower in the Agricultural (A) District in the NW ¼ of Section 4 Township 139N Range 90 W with the following four conditions:

1. The tower is no greater than 260' in height.
2. The lease area of 100' by 100' is in the general proximity of the area shown on the site plan presented to the County Commission.
3. The tower and equipment shed are fully enclosed by security fence.
4. All rights and existing utility easements are honored during construction and operation of the facility.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve three special use permits for gravel pit and mineral processing use by the Morton County Highway Department in the following Agriculture (A) Districts:

1. The SE ¼ of the NE ¼ Section 28 Township 139N Range 86W
2. The SE ¼ of Section 18 Township 138N, Range 89W
3. The SW ¼ of Section 29 Township 135 N Range 83W.

With each of these permits lasting for the duration of the gravel lease agreement with Morton County and any extension or renewals of this agreement initiated by Morton County. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Schulz seconded to reconsider approval of Preble as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve Global Safety Network as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the 2015 Commission meeting schedule with meetings on the second Thursday and fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the sale of an unsold tax foreclosure lot (66-0552000) in New Salem to the City of New Salem for \$1. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to appoint the Wade Bachmeier, Jamie Wetsch and Jim Schmidt to 3 year terms (expiring on 12/31/17) on the Morton County Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to appoint Dr John Grunseth to a 5 year term (expiring 12/31/19) on the Custer Board of Health. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to appoint Gary Benz to a 3 year term (expiring 12/1/17) on the Lower Heart Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to appoint Dwight Cook and Steve Maershbecker to a 5 year term (expiring 12/31/19) on the Morton County Housing Authority. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the application for submission for a Courtroom Facilities Grant. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to approve abatements 4614-4635. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to correct the January 13, 2014 minutes to reflect a 3 year term for Tony Goetzfried on the Lower Heart Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from December 9, 2014 through December 30, 2014, equals \$590,403.22. 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 Leingang seconded to adjourn at 6:54 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

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