

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
July 13, 2023

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on July 13, 2023 at 5:02 PM by Chairman Boehm at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Buckley and Morrell and Auditor Rhone. Also present were States Attorney Koppy and Sheriff Kirchmeier. Absent was Commissioner Leingang.

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

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the minutes of the Board of Equalization Meeting held on June 8, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2023 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

Sheriff Kirchmeier presented 2024 budgets for Detention Center, Communications, Sheriff & Coroner.

Melanie Hanson, CENTRE Inc presented 2024 budget.

Chairman Boehm opened the public hearing for the 2024 Western Plains Health Budget at 6:00 PM.

Erin Ourada, Western Plains Health presented the 2024 budget.

Public hearing was closed at 6:08PM.

Mark Heinert, Youthworks presented the 2024 budget.

Ryan Jockers, Lower Heart Water presented the 2024 budget.

Wade Bachmeier, Morton County Water District presented the 2024 budget.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve the \$25,000 request of Morton County Development Funds for Revive Equine LLC., Almont ND. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve gravel crushing bid from Fisher Sand & Gravel Co. for Vogel & Stegmiller pits. All voting aye, motion carried.

Courtney Hoikkala, NDSU Extension presented 2024 budget.

Rena Gress, NDSU Extension introduced Morgan Vachal, NDSU Extension Intern.

Buckley moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve \$400 for the National 4-H Livestock Quizbowl Team held in Louisville KY & \$400 for the Meats Judging Team held in Manhattan KS to assist with registration and other expenses. All voting aye, motion carried.

Donald LaFleur, Morton County Fair Board presented 2024 budget.

Donald LaFleur, Morton County Tax Director introduced Jonathan Achtenberg, Morton County Assessor.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatements # 6221-6222. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatement # 6223. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatement # 6224. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatement # 6225. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatement # 6226. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatement # 6227. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatement # 6228. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatements # 6229-6231. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chase Lingle, Assistant Morton County States Attorney presented 2024 budget.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve the liquor license for Sixteen 03 Events LLC – DBA The Post Events. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Zachmeier seconded to appoint Carly Retterath to the Morton County Housing Board to an unexpired term expiring 12/31/2024. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from June 24 through July 13, 2023 equals \$2,681,221.04.

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.

Commissioner Boehm adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Nathan Boehm, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____