

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
March 10, 2016

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on March 10, 2016 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Schulz at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Boehm, Leingang and Strinden, Auditor Rhone, States Attorney Koppy and Assistant States Attorney Grosinger.

Strinden moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agenda with an addition. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Boehm seconded to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting with a correction. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

Zachmeier moved and Strinden seconded to approve PRG-1, 2 & 3 for the States Attorney remodel in the amount of \$26,111. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve abatements #4852-4857. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Zachmeier seconded to deny the extension of leave for Jennifer Duletski. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Leingang seconded to approve Abatements 4841-4851. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Zachmeier seconded to amend and re-enact section 5-180 of the Morton County Land Use Code regarding Wind Energy Facilities Section (c) Minimum Ground Clearance to read as follows:

The blade tip of any wind turbine shall, at its lowest point, have ground clearance of no less than seventy (70) feet.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Leingang seconded to approve section 5-220 of the Morton County Land Use Code regarding Farm Worker Dwelling Unit with the following revisions:

Section 5-220 Farm Worker Dwelling Unit/Facility (FWDU/F)

b) Standards:

10. Workers who reside in a FWDU/F must be employed or contracted by the land owner and must be engaged in farming and/or ranching work.

11. The tract on which the FWDU/F is located and the tract on which the workers are carrying out farming and/or ranching activities must be owned, leased or managed by the land owner.

12. Permitted dwelling unit types:

iv. Conventional/stick-built housing units may be allowed upon approval of the Commission.

Voting aye: Strinden, Leingang, Strinden; voting nay: Boehm, Zachmeier. Motion Carried.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve the gravel pit lease with the Nuus Children Irrevocable Trust located in the SW ¼ NE ¼ of SE ¼ and NW ¼ SE1/4 all in SE ¼ of Section 32, Township 139, Range 82 for a 1 year term at a rate of \$2.00 per yard. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to award the bid for gravel crushing to Meyer Aggregate for a bid price of \$.45 per cubic yard. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to award the concrete & box culvert bid to Forterra . All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to award the metal culvert bid to True North Steel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Boehm seconded to approve the LEC fund request in the amount of \$30,406.68 to make repairs to fix the water issue and replace the exterior doors of the LEC. All voting aye, motion carried.

Strinden moved and Boehm seconded to approve the Burn Ban Declaration as presented by Emergency Manager Doering. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from February 24, 2016 through March 10, 2016, equals \$1,405,359.38. 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 Boehm seconded to adjourn at 7:09 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Cody Schulz, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____