

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
March 9, 2023

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on March 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, Buckley and Morrell and Auditor Rhone. Commissioner Leingang was present via telephone. Also present was States Attorney Koppy and Sheriff Kirchmeier.

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

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2023 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to bring tabled item, request from Morton County Water District to extend the development moratorium, back to the table. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to extend the moratorium on construction of all habitable structures and structures with living quarters within zone 1 of the Harmon Lake Dam breach zone overlay district for an additional period of two years ending April 30, 2025 as the moratorium complies with NDCC 11-33-03 and that the moratorium protects and guides the development of non-urban areas, provides for emergency management, lessens government expenditures and conserves and develops natural resources and provides for the North Dakota Department of Water Resources to establish future updated dam hazard classifications. The moratorium also complies with the North Dakota State Engineer construction permit #1092. The moratorium does not prohibit or prevent the use of land or buildings for farming or any of the other incidences of farming as required by NDCC 11-33.2-03. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatement #6165. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatement #6166. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatements #6167-6168. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatements #6169-6170. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatements #6171-6172. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve abatements #6173-6174. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatements #6175-6176. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatement #6177. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to accept the low bid for gravel hauling from Knife River Corporation in the amount of \$139 per hour per truck and \$500 per working day for mobilization. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve the contract for county road work between counties with Grant County. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to appoint Duane Ell Jr to the unexpired term expiring 7/1/2026 on the Morton County Planning & Zoning Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to appoint Ellen Huber to the unexpired term expiring 12/31/2024 as the extraterritorial County representative on the Mandan Planning & Zoning Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve the 2022 Budget Amendments as presented by Auditor Rhone. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from February 10, 2023 through March 9, 2023 equals \$2,116,536.75.

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.

Morrell moved and Zachmeier seconded to adjourn at 6:34 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

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