

Minutes of the Board of Ward County Commissioners

May 18, 2021

The regular meeting of the Ward County Commission was called to order by Chairman Fjeldahl at 9:00 AM with Commissioners, Anderson, Pietsch, Rostad, and Weppler present. Also present were department heads Bradley Starnes, Dana Larsen, Emily Burkett, Jason Blowers, Jennifer Wiechmann, Kerriane Boetcher, Kristin Kowalczyk, Leona Lochthowe, Marisa Haman, Melissa Bliss, Noreen Barton, Robert Roed, Roza Larson and Tammy Terras.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Weppler to approve the agenda. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve Commission meeting minutes from May 4, 2021 and Special Commission meeting minutes from May 6, 2021. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad, to approve the regular bills totaling \$240,482.96 and Human Service Zone direct cost bills totaling \$7,536.03. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Bill List - 05/18/2021

	VENDOR: GENERAL BILLS	DESCRIPTION/DEPT: GENERAL BILLS	
DD	JP MORGAN	JP MORGAN REMAINING MAR. 2021--MISC ITEMS	\$42,137.94
DD	BERENTSON, CHRISTOPHER W	TRAINING - DEVILS LAKE--SHERIFF	\$192.50
18563 3	BURKETT, EMILY	GAS - HIPPOLOGY CONTEST--EXTENSION SERVICE	\$67.13
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 520i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$140.00
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 5003i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$54.38
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 5003i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$54.38
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 5500i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$123.60
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 3550i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$59.74
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 5501i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$127.31
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 3011i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$70.76
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	KYOCERA 3550i COPIER CONTRACT--HUMAN SERVICES	\$61.74
18563 4	CLUTE OFFICE EQUIPMENT INC	HANGING FILE FOLDERS (5)--AUDITOR/TREAS.	\$125.73
18563 5	CUMMINS DIESEL	OFFICE BUILDING GENERATOR--FACILITY MGMT	\$477.25
18563 6	DACOTAH PAPER CO	BUTTON TOPS FOR EASY SCRUB HANDLES--FACILITY MGMT	\$51.84
18563 7	DIGITAL OFFICE CENTRE	XEROX/7835 COPIER CONTRACT--IT	\$80.20
18563 8	ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION INC	PEST ELIMINATION--FACILITY MGMT	\$325.00
18563 9	ENERBASE FARMERS UNION/CENEX	GAS + 1 QUART OF OIL--FACILITY MGMT	\$38.99
18563 9	ENERBASE FARMERS UNION/CENEX	FUEL, GAS, OIL--SHERIFF	\$9,120.01
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	COURTHOUSE PLUMBING PARTS--FACILITY MGMT	\$58.86
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	MIXING VALVE AND PLUMBING PARTS--FACILITY MGMT	\$1,566.08
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	COURTHOUSE PLUMBING PARTS--FACILITY MGMT	\$325.74
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	WILLOUGHBY REPAIR KITS--FACILITY MGMT	\$162.54
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	PLUMBING PARTS--FACILITY MGMT	\$75.85
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	WATER FOUNTAIN FILTERS--FACILITY MGMT	\$169.50
18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	O RING & GASKET REPAIR KIT--FACILITY MGMT	\$66.03

18564 0	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC #1657	PISTON & LINER ASSEMBLY--FACILITY MGMT	\$533.61
18564 0	HARLEY'S SERVICE CENTER	OIL CHANGE COUNTY VAN--HUMAN SERVICES	\$45.38
DD	HAUGAN, KELLY J	NW REGION EMERGENCY MANAGER'S MEETING--EMERGENCY MGMT	\$140.00
18564 2	HOFFARTH SANITATION	TRASH SERVICE--FACILITY MGMT	\$600.00
18564 3	HR COLLABORATIVE	HR HOT TOPIC VIRTUAL TRAINING SERIES-- HUMAN RESOURCES	\$100.00
18564 4	INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS INC	CH GENERATOR ANNUAL SERVICE--FACILITY MGMT	\$1,535.00
18564 4	INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS INC	OFFICE BUILDING GENERATOR ANNUAL SERVICE--FACILITY MGMT	\$1,500.00
18564 5	KEVINS PLUMBING & HEATING INC	REPLACED HP E2.6 JAIL ADMIN LOBBY-- FACILITY MGMT	\$6,315.57
18564 5	KEVINS PLUMBING & HEATING INC	COURTHOUSE ERU ACTUATOR REPLACEMENT- FACILITY MGMT	\$484.10
DD	KING, MEGHAN C	TRAINING GRAND FORKS--JAIL OPERATIONS	\$84.00
DD	KOSSAN, CONRAD P	TRAINING - DEVILS LAKE--SHERIFF	\$192.50
DD	LUKS, PATRICK M	EXTRADITION - FON DULAC, WI--SHERIFF	\$57.50
18564 6	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	GAS COUNTY NORTH BLDG--FACILITY MGMT	\$193.90
18564 7	MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS	CABLE SERVICES --COMMISSARY	\$165.65
18564 7	MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS	CABLE SERVICES --JUVENILE DETENTION	\$30.00
DD	MILLER, KEITH D	EXTRADITION - FON DULAC, WI--SHERIFF	\$110.00
18550 4	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	WATER JAIL--FACILITY MGMT	\$3,709.55
18550 4	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	WATER COURTHOUSE--FACILITY MGMT	\$344.59
18550 4	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	WATER ADMIN BLDG--FACILITY MGMT	\$420.29
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE - PITNER 05/04/21-- GENERAL	\$25.84
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	REG COMM MEETING - 04/06/21 MINUTES-- GENERAL	\$350.36
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PUBLIC HEARING - SPECIAL USE PERMIT: HANSON--GENERAL	\$27.36
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PUBLIC HEARING - SPEC USE PERMIT: ROGERS- GENERAL	\$27.36
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PUBLIC HEARING - LUNDEEN RELIEF SETBACK-- GENERAL	\$25.84
18564 8	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PUBLIC HEARING - MOVING PERMIT: DUNCAN-- GENERAL	\$24.32
18564 9	MOUNTAIN PLAINS YOUTH SERVICES	MONTHLY SHELTER CONTRACT--GENERAL	\$5,754.65
18556 0	ND DEPT HUM SERV	INMATE MEDICAL FEB 2021--JAIL OPERATIONS	\$5,028.15
18565 1	ND RECORDERS ASSOCIATION	2021 RECORDER CONVENTION FEES-- RECORDER	\$400.00
18565 2	NDSU DEPT 3110	BUSINESS CARDS--EXTENSION SERVICE	\$70.00
18565 2	NDSU DEPT 3110	LOGO ENVELOPES--EXTENSION SERVICE	\$85.00
18565 3	NORTH PRAIRIE RURAL WATER	WATER COUNTY NORTH--FACILITY MGMT	\$55.00
DD	RAY, CHRISTOPHER B	TRAINING GRAND FORKS - MILAGE/FOOD--JAIL OPERATIONS	\$323.68
DD	RAY, CHRISTOPHER B	YOUTH CORRECTIONAL CENTER BISMARCK-- JUVENILE DETENTION	\$129.92
18565 4	RELX INC. DBA LEXISNEXIS	CONTRACT FEES--STATES ATTORNEY	\$580.00
18565 5	SIGNSTODAY	VINYL DECALS FOR COURT ROOM 101-- FACILITY MGMT	\$29.00
18555 1	SRT	TELEPHONES - DETENTION--FACILITY MGMT	\$267.70
18555 1	SRT	TELEPHONES--SHERIFF	\$517.86
18541 5	SRT	TELEPHONE --HUMAN SERVICES	\$953.25
18541 5	SRT	TELEPHONES --AUDITOR/TREAS.	\$1,880.98

185429	SRT	TELEPHONES - LONG DISTANCE CHARGES--HUMAN SERVICES	\$736.20
185656	STEINS INC	FLOOR SCRUBBER DECK LEVER LIFT PARTS--FACILITY MGMT	\$52.70
185656	STEINS INC	FLOOR SCRUBBER PART--FACILITY MGMT	\$42.40
185657	THOMAS FAMILY FUNERAL SVC INC	TRANSFER REMAINS TO STATE MEDICAL (WS)--GENERAL	\$500.00
185657	THOMAS FAMILY FUNERAL SVC INC	TRANSFER REMAINS TO STATE MEDICAL (AS)--GENERAL	\$500.00
185505	THOMAS LAW FIRM	INDIGENT DEFENSE MAY 2021--GENERAL	\$2,000.00
185658	THOMPSON LARSON FUNERAL HOME MNT	TRANSFER OF REMAINS TO STATE MEDICAL (JB)--GENERAL	\$500.00
185658	THOMPSON LARSON FUNERAL HOME MNT	TRANSFER REMAINS TO STATE MEDICAL (DG)--GENERAL	\$500.00
185659	TRINITY HOSPITAL	BODY TRANSPORT--GENERAL	\$1,836.68
185659	TRINITY HOSPITAL	BODY TRANSPORT--GENERAL	\$3,800.68
185660	UNITED MAILING SERVICES INC	MAIL SERVICE--EXTENSION SERVICE	\$750.00
185660	UNITED MAILING SERVICES INC	MAIL PROCESSING--HUMAN SERVICES	\$378.92
185660	UNITED MAILING SERVICES INC	POSTAGE--GENERAL	\$827.82
185660	UNITED MAILING SERVICES INC	SERVICES--GENERAL	\$170.87
185661	VERENDRYE ELECTRIC	ELECTRICITY COUNTY NORTH--FACILITY MGMT	\$120.00
185416	VERIZON WIRELESS - NJ PO	IT CELL PHONES--IT	\$142.80
185662	WARD CO AUDITOR	LUKS DAY TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT--SHERIFF	\$52.50
185663	WARD COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	RUSHVILLE TWP SIGN MAINTENANCE--AUDITOR/TREAS.	\$84.40
185664	WESTERN STEEL & PLUMBING INC	PLUMBING PARTS FOR MIXING VALVE--FACILITY MGMT	\$35.85
185664	WESTERN STEEL & PLUMBING INC	BRASS NIPPLE PLUMBING PART--FACILITY MGMT	\$6.55
185665	WEX HEALTH, INC.	FSA MONTHLY ADMIN FEES APRIL 2021--HUMAN RESOURCES	\$140.00
DD	WIECHMANN, JENNIFER A	INVESTIGATE & DOCUMENT CARPIO FIRE LOCATION--EMERGENCY MGMT	\$30.35
185506	WILHELM TIM	INDIGENT DEFENSE MAY 2021--GENERAL	\$2,000.00
DD	WINGERTSAHN, DONALD A JR	TRAINING GRAND FORKS--JAIL OPERATIONS	\$84.00
185666	XCEL ENERGY	ELECTRICITY COURTHOUSE--FACILITY MGMT	\$36.96
185666	XCEL ENERGY	ELECTRICITY 425 BLDG--FACILITY MGMT	\$165.57
185666	XCEL ENERGY	ELECTRICITY COURTHOUSE--FACILITY MGMT	\$4,293.84
185666	XCEL ENERGY	ELECTRICITY JAIL--FACILITY MGMT	\$6,440.78
185507	XCEL ENERGY	ELECTRICITY ADMIN BLDG--FACILITY MGMT	\$7,218.34
		Total General Bills	\$122,299.22

	PARK BILLS	PARK BILLS	
185623	3-D SPECIALTIES INC	SIGNS	\$253.60
185624	BACHMEIER, DAVID	PARK BD MEETING DUES 05/04/21	\$50.00
185625	BUTLER MACHINERY	BATTERY	\$243.26
185626	MENARDS - MINOT	FIRE RINGS, SUPPLIES	\$1,374.89
185626	MENARDS - MINOT	MOP, CLEANERS	\$20.37

18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 7	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$3.00
18562 8	MINOT RESTAURANT SUPPLY	GARBAGE LINERS	\$104.70
18562 8	MINOT RESTAURANT SUPPLY	AIR FRESHENERS	\$30.80
18562 9	PITNER, PAUL	MEETING DUES PARK BOARD	\$50.00
18563 0	RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERAT	FIBER CONSTRUCTION N/C LAKE	\$6,400.00
18543 1	SRT	INTERNET	\$5.68
18563 1	VERENDRYE ELECTRIC	SIREN AT RICE LAKE	\$39.00
18563 5	WARD COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	PARK MAINTENANCE APRIL 2021	\$11,315.93
		Total Park Board Bills	\$19,906.23

	ROAD BILLS	ROAD BILLS	
18558 1	ACME ELECTRIC INC	HEX NUTS	\$5.08
18558 2	AUTO VALUE MINOT	DRIVE SHAFT CENTER	\$37.99
18558 2	AUTO VALUE MINOT	U-JOINT	\$221.97
18558 3	BASIN SERVICE COMPANY	BRINE SOLUTION	\$571.50
18558 3	BASIN SERVICE COMPANY	BRINE SOLUTION	\$476.25
18558 4	BERTHOLD CITY	BERTHOLD SHOP	\$111.80
18558 5	BUTLER MACHINERY	PLATES, VALVES, HUBS, EDGES	\$19,174.17
18558 6	COMPUTER STORE INC	SCREEN SET CONFERENCE ROOM	\$9,817.86
18558 7	DACOTAH PAPER CO	PAPER TOWELS	\$552.30
18558 8	DICKINSON TRUCK EQUIPMENT	SPINNERS, HUBS	\$717.54
18558 9	ENERBASE FARMERS UNION/CENEX	FUEL, GAS, OIL	\$4,904.53
18558 9	ENERBASE FARMERS UNION/CENEX	PROPANE	\$57.50
18559 0	FARMERS UNION OIL CO	FUEL, GAS, OIL	\$4,183.54
18559 1	FARMERS UNION OIL CO - KENMARE	FUEL, GAS, OIL	\$2,263.09
18559 1	FARMERS UNION OIL CO - KENMARE	TRASH BAGS	\$40.98
18559 2	FARSTAD OIL	DRUM DEPOSIT	\$35.00
18559 2	FARSTAD OIL	FUEL, GAS, OIL	\$2,058.91
18559 3	GENERAL TRADING CO	HOOKS, CLEANERS, TOWEL	\$420.98
18559 4	HOFFARTH SANITATION	SANITATION SERVICE	\$195.00
18559 5	HOUSTON ENGINEERING INC	ENGINEERING SERVICE - BRIDGE	\$12,355.25
18559 6	JIMS WELDING INC	PLATE	\$95.20
18559 7	JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION, LP	ALARM REPAIRS	\$1,758.05

18559 8	KENMARE CITY OF	KENMARE SHOP	\$90.00
18559 9	LOWES PRINTING	NOTARY STAMP	\$30.00
18560 0	MAINTENANCE PLUS INC	GENERAL CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$1,486.55
18560 1	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, LLC NW7128	WEBROOT SERVICE	\$72.00
18560 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	201 72ND AVE NE MINOT	\$383.37
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	607 4TH AVE NE KENMARE	\$108.64
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	IRON STORAGE WAREHOUSE	\$621.12
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	200 72ND ST SE	\$740.01
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	ADMIN BUILDING 200 72ND ST SE	\$356.06
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	ADMIX WAREHOUSE	\$695.53
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	ROC BUILDING	\$124.73
18543 2	MDU - BISMARCK OFFICE	16 E CENTRAL AVE BERTHOLD	\$94.94
18560 3	MENARDS - MINOT	RATCHET, NIPPLES	\$49.86
18560 3	MENARDS - MINOT	SPRAYER, SPRAY	\$31.68
18560 3	MENARDS - MINOT	POWERLAG BITS	\$29.25
18560 3	MENARDS - MINOT	HANDLES, ADAPTER	\$52.76
18560 4	MINOT CHRYSLER CENTER INC	FLANGE	\$343.75
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$40.64
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	TREE DISPOSAL	\$37.44
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	DUMPING FEE	\$108.85
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	DUMPING FEE	\$229.60
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	DUMPING FEE	\$135.80
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	DUMPING FEE	\$133.00
18560 5	MINOT CITY OF, LANDFILL	DUMPING FEE	\$77.70
18560 6	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	12TH ST SE MINOT	\$29.76
18560 6	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	900 13TH ST SE MINOT	\$27.23
18560 6	MINOT CITY OF, WATER DEPT	200 72ND ST SE MINOT	\$284.03
18560 7	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PAPER SUBSCRIPTION	\$192.20
18560 7	MINOT DAILY NEWS INC	PROJECT AD CR 12 (CP-1252)	\$150.48
18560 8	MUUS LUMBER CO	LUMBER, SCREWS	\$95.30
18560 8	MUUS LUMBER CO	LUMBER	\$19.93
18560 9	NAPA AUTO PARTS	FUSES, SEAL, LAMP	\$46.60
18560 9	NAPA AUTO PARTS	HOSE REEL CONTROLS, WRENCHES, FILTER	\$4,579.17
18561 0	NORTH PRAIRIE RURAL WATER	DOUGLAS SHOP	\$155.99
18561 1	NORTHERN PLAINS EQUIPMENT CO I	BATTERIES	\$760.20
18561 2	NORTHWEST TIRE & RETREAD INC	TIRES, REPAIRS	\$4,275.10
18561 3	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	SAWYER SHOP	\$66.92
18561 4	RDO/POWERPLAN	BREATHER	\$57.70
18561 4	RDO/POWERPLAN	WINDSHIELD	\$414.72

185433	SRT	OFFICE TELEPHONE	\$620.12
185615	TRI N PROPANE	PROPANE HEAT	\$252.14
185616	VERENDRYE ELECTRIC	200 72ND ST SE MINOT	\$4,075.00
185616	VERENDRYE ELECTRIC	201 72ND AVE NE MINOT	\$63.00
185617	VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	MONTHLY CHARGE	\$391.56
185618	VERIZON WIRELESS - NJ PO	CELL PHONE SERVICE	\$318.90
185619	WESTERN STEEL & PLUMBING INC	WASH STALL PARTS	\$483.74
185620	WESTLIE MOTOR CO	FILTERS, HOSES, SEALS	\$302.12
185620	WESTLIE MOTOR CO	FILTERS, HOSES, SEALS	\$280.58
185621	WINTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	BLADES	\$14,125.73
185622	XCEL ENERGY	900 13TH ST SE MINOT	\$81.52
		Total Road Bills	\$98,277.51

GRAND TOTAL	\$240,482.96
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Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to open the public hearing at 9:04 AM regarding the YMCA – MIDA Bond Resolution. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Scott Wegner from Arntson Stewart Wenger Law Firm and Roger Mazurek, Executive Director of the Minot YMCA spoke regarding refinancing the existing MIDA Bonds.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Pietsch to close the public hearing at 9:10 AM. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Pietsch to approve adopting the bond resolution outlined by Mr. Wegner and Mr. Mazurek and authorizing Comm. Chairman and Ward County Auditor to sign documents. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Kristopher Wolla, Building Inspector, appeared regarding a moving permit application for Rick Duncan.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Seconded by Comm. Weppler to open the public hearing at 9:12 AM regarding the moving permit application for Rick Duncan. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Mr. Duncan is requesting to move a 2-stall detached garage from 216 16th St SE to his residence at 2500 63rd Street NW, Minot.

No one from the public came forward for or against the moving permit.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Pietsch to close the public hearing at 9:13 AM. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Anderson, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve the moving permit for Rick Duncan as presented. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Doug Diedrichsen, Planning and Zoning Administrator appeared regarding a Statutory Right of Way vacation request from Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch for the following described property: Section line between Outlot 8 of E2NE4-18-155-83 and SW4SW4 & NW4NW4 less road-17-155-83.

Moved by Comm. Wepler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to open the public hearing at 9:15 AM regarding the Statutory Right of Way vacation request from Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Brent Mattson from Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation discussed the request which diverts traffic around campus for the safety of the children and would allow for campus expansion and replatting the property into a contiguous lot. Also speaking on the matter was Joy Ryan, President of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch who reiterated regarding safety of the children.

Russell Rogne, adjoining property owner, appeared and spoke out against the vacation request citing he uses the road a few times a year but more importantly, if he were to sell the property, there would be no access to this land.

States Attorney Roza Larson spoke up stating statute law states you cannot land lock the only access to property by closing down a section line.

Patrick Samson of Ackerman-Estvold who represents the City of Burlington appeared and voiced no objections with the ROW vacation.

Moved by Comm. Pietsch, seconded by Comm. Wepler to close the public hearing at 9:39 AM. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Pietsch, seconded by Comm. Anderson to deny the Statutory Right of Way vacation request from Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation as presented. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Sheriff Robert Roed appeared with a list of updates needed to move sheriff storage into the Old Highway Department building along with cost of updates.

Moved by Comm. Wepler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve the proposed updates as presented but to look into an alternative option for covering the oil pit area. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Facilities Management Director Leona Lochthowe appeared with bids on ATS replacement on the Courthouse generator with Main Electric being the low bidder at \$126,225.00.

Moved by Comm. Anderson, seconded by Comm. Wepler to approve the budgeted request of \$100,000.00 and to have the Facilities Management department cover the additional amount of \$26,225.00 using their departmental budget. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Mrs. Lochthowe presented quotes for purchase of a Bobcat in order to handle heavier loads and to assist with snow removal.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Pietsch to approve the purchase of a new Bobcat as presented utilizing the Government discount. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Highway Engineer Dana Larsen appeared with a Cost Participation and Maintenance Agreement for Sawyer Bridge Replacement Project.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Weppler to approve the agreement for the Sawyer Bridge Replacement Project and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Mr. Larson presented bids to install the reinforced concrete box culvert on County Road 12, with Wagner Construction being the low bidder at \$229,162.70.

Director of Emergency Management Jennifer Wiechmann appeared addressing concerns of citizens in the area regarding temporary road closure and the distance of the detour and ability to provide service with emergency vehicles. Minot Rural Fire Chief Rex Weltikol appeared and reinforced to Commissioners that emergency vehicles would be able to reach the detoured areas regardless of the terrain.

Moved by Comm. Pietsch, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve the bid from Wagner Construction in the amount of \$229,162.70 to install the reinforced concrete box culvert on County Road 12 as presented. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Human Resource Director Tammy Terras appeared with payroll amendments for: G. Colon, Facilities Department; K. Willert, State's Attorney office; K. Streitz, Highway Department; and P. Malnaa, Highway Department.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve all the payroll amendments as presented. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Pietsch to remove St. Anthony's Plat from the tabled items and not include on agenda until final plat is presented. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Auditor/Treasurer Marisa Haman appeared.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Weppler to receive and file the 2021 Water Tours brochure. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to receive and file the monthly reports including financials. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Ms. Haman spoke regarding live streaming of all Special Meetings as they have been sporadic in the past.

Jason Blowers appeared to inform Commissioners of storage links for videoed Commission meetings and the time spent setting up for meetings. He reiterated the need for guidance on streaming Special Meetings.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to live stream all Special Meetings. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Ms. Haman gave an update regarding the 2020 Audit of which a draft should be completed sometime this week by Craig Hashbarger, CPA of Widmer Roel. Ms. Haman will contact Mr. Hashbarger to have him present his findings in person or on Zoom.

Ms. Haman continued with an update on the American Rescue Act. Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to have Ms. Haman put the steps in place to receive the funding that is available and to have a fund number established for the American Rescue Act funds. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Pietsch, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve duplicate warrants to be issued to the following: First District Health Unit, \$3,256.54; Gate City Bank – Fargo, \$20.00; T. Nesdahl, \$192.00; Olson Home Rental LLC, \$574.75. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve the four event permits for Minot VFW Club. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve gaming site authorization for North Dakota Association for the Disabled, Inc, (one for The Grainhopper and one for Bingorama), Minot Junior Golf Association Inc, and MSU Beaver Boosters Inc. Roll call; all vote yes; motion carried.

Comm. Weppler attended the May 17, 2021 Personnel meeting. No final action was taken.

Comm. Weppler attended the May 17, 2021 Highway Committee meeting. No final action was taken.

At 10:48 AM with no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED THIS 1ST DAY OF JUNE, 2021

Chairman, Ward County Commission

ATTEST:
