

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Ward County Commissioners

November 30, 2021

The special meeting of the Ward County Commission was called to order by Chairman Fjeldahl at 9:03 AM with Commissioners Anderson and Rostad present with Commissioner Weppler present via telephone. Also present were department heads Brian Vangsness, Dana Larsen, Jason Blowers, Marisa Haman, and Tammy Terras.

Holly Arnold from NDSU Extension Department spoke regarding appliances and other items which need to be purchased for their upcoming move and she also requested clarification on which budget the funds are to be taken out of.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Weppler to approve spending \$5,500 for appliances moving forward with the NDSU Extension Service move to include a dishwasher, refrigerator, stove, and mini fridge and advise Emily Burkett to work with Facility Manager Brian Vangsness in the process. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Anderson to authorize spending \$5,000 as discussed for electrical, plumbing, and cabinets and to authorize working with Comm. Fjeldahl on the cabinets in conjunction with Mr. Vangsness. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

IT Director Jason Blowers appeared to discuss the Marco quote on the NDSU Extension move. An additional cost beyond this quote is an SRT network connection quote of \$809.40 per year for a 5-year contract.

Moved by Comm. Anderson, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve the \$11,969.17 quote provided by Mr. Blowers with the additional \$809.40 1 year SRT network connection for a combined total of \$12,778.57. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Holly Arnold of NDSU Extension service spoke on a couple other items needing to be addressed. The building they are moving to does not have any table and chairs for their conference room and their programming. It was decided to postpone a decision on tables and chairs until after the December 7 Minot School Election.

Signage was discussed. Preference is to go through NDSU and stay consistent with their guidelines on signage.

Discussion was held on carpet cleaning services for the new building and the need to keep Mr. Vangsness involved in all requests.

Ms. Arnold brought up mail delivery/mailbox. It was confirmed there is a mailbox on the property. A decision will need to be made by the NDSU Extension Service on mail delivery.

Moved by Comm. Rostad, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve the special event permit for Pink's Bar & Grill once it is confirmed no one under 21 is allowed at the event. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Anderson to approve the gaming site authorization for North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame with the corrections made as to the dates of the Badlands Circuit Finals Rodeo. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Weppler, seconded by Comm. Rostad to approve using monies out of the American Rescue Plan Act for the NDSU Extension Service move and remodel. Roll call; all voted yes; motion carried.

At 9:40 AM with no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2021

Chairman, Ward County Commission

ATTEST:
