Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, McKenzie County, North Dakota

April 2, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of McKenzie County, North Dakota met at the Commissioners Room at the McKenzie County Courthouse in Watford City, North Dakota on April 2, 2024. Present: Commissioners Clint Wold, Howdy Lawlar, Kathy Skarda, Joel Brown, and Craig Hystad. Also present Auditor/Treasurer Johnsrud and State's Attorney Skarda. Chairman Lawlar called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Brown, to approve the agenda as amended to include Ag Expo discussion. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the March 2024 minutes as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the bills presented for payment. Moved by Brown, seconded by Wold, to approve the bills as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to approve the Commission Consent Agenda Items 1-3 as presented. All voting aye, motion carried. Items approved: 1. Approve Gaming Site Au-thorization - WC Aerie #3543 Fraternal Order of Eagles; 2. Approve & Authorize Signature -Fairview Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding; 3. Approve & Authorize Signature - Fire Protection Service Agreement Renewal Public Works.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the release of the 2024 Chip Seal Project as presented, with bids to be opened outside a Board meeting. All voting aye, motion carried. Moved by Skarda, seconded by Hystad, to approve the Wetland Mitigation Monitoring Task Order with KLJ Engineering as presented in the amount of \$23,640 and authorize the chairman

to sign. All voting aye, motion carried. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Wold, to concur with awarding project BRJ-0027(052) to Central Specialties, Inc. in the amount of \$2,348,068.12 and authorize the chairman to sign the NDDOT Resolution as presented. Engineer Demars stated the project will be 100% funded by

BRJ federal funds, if awarded by NDDOT. All voting aye, motion carried. Demars and State's Attorney Skarda stated they recently met with the USFS regarding the Little Missouri National Grassland (LMNG) Travel Management Plan. Demars and Skarda are seeking input from various stakeholders for questions asked and will bring those comments back to the Board for approval.

Landfill Director Schreiber discussed with the Board the 2024 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Event. Schreiber stated he also looked into potential costs to add an agricultural pesticide collection and if that was possible to add to the HHW Event. Discussion was held on the volume per person that might be acceptable and the desire to not turn citizens away. Board consensus was to move forward with the event on July 13 to include a pesticide collection event alongside the HHW collection and obtain information on second truck for pesticide collections.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Wold, to approve the Braun Intertec Agreement for 2024 Groundwater and Leachate Monitoring Services in 2024 at the Landfill and authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Skarda, to award the PJ trailer sale to Warren Jarland, high bidder, in the amount of \$1,750. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Hystad, to award the Ford F350 sale to Brad Blegen, high bidder, in the amount of \$8,000. All voting aye, motion carried. Fleet Manager Shannon requested to purchase an alignment machine for the PW shop. Shan-

non stated the shop was built to accommodate this machine and that the quote included setup and onsite training. Moved by Skarda, seconded by Brown, to approve the purchase of the alignment machine as presented from Napa in the amount of \$19,489.00, which included setup and onsite training. Lawlar requested an update in six months to see how many alignments were being completed at the PW shop. All voting aye, motion carried.

Emergency Manager Jappe requested permission to accept grant funds from Grayson Mill Energy in the amount of \$23,090 to purchase air monitoring equipment. Jappe stated this would purchase four monitors that would be available for use in the field, with the ability to read the monitors from a phone or computer. Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to accept the grant funds from Grayson Mills in the amount of \$23,090 and approve the expenditure of the funds on air monitoring equipment as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

MCWRD Director Perkins provided an update on Water Resource District projects, including the lead and copper pipe survey. Perkins also discussed the new reservoir near Sather Dam which is complete and operational, the completion of the Ag Expo water and sewer projects, and provided an update on the second line across the Missouri River which is still awaiting a permit from the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

Moved by Lawlar, seconded by Hystad, to approve the proxy vote for the NDIRF Annual Meeting, to cast a vote for Travis Frey as the County selection, and authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Ag Expo Director Kubal requested to move the strategic planning and performance review to a later date. Board consensus was to conduct the special meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 15, 2024 at the Ag Expo facility.

The meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m. until April 3, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

(May 15, 2024)

Special Meeting April 3, 2024 The Board of Commissioners of McKenzie County, North Dakota met for a special meeting at the Commissioners Room at the McKenzie County Courthouse in Watford City, North Dakota on April 3, 2024. Present: Commissioners Joel Brown, Clint Wold, Craig Hystad, Howdy Lawlar, and Kathy Skarda. Also present Auditor/Treasurer Johnsrud and State's Attorney Skarda. Chairman Lawlar called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

The topic of the meeting was to discuss the possible appointment of a Library Director. -The Board discussed the three interviewed applicants and pros/cons associated with each. Discussion was held on organizational skills, management skills, and experience of the applicants.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to offer the McKenzie County Library Director position to Candidate C with a tentative start date of June 3, 2024, pay commiserate with experience, and should Candidate C decline the offer to then offer the position to Candidate A. All voting aye, motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 1:40 p.m. until April 15, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

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The topic of the meeting was to discuss strategic planning, performance review, and future direction of the Ag Expo. Discussion was held on the performance of Ag Expo Director Kubal. Board consensus was Kubal and his team at the Ag Expo had exceeded expectations for operations and events during their first year and their gratitude for ensuring guests and vendors have great experiences. The Board identified short term goals for Kubal and areas of improvement including conflict management, avoiding employee burnout, and implementing policies and pro-cedures for the various types of events.

CIER OILFIELD SERVICES, INC., \$3,860.00; GRACIE GLOBAL LLC, \$3,000.00; GRAY MEDIA GROUP, INC., \$450.00; HANSEN DIESEL & AUTOMOTIVE, \$130.00; HECK BUILT LLC, \$4,200.00; HEGGEN EQUIPMENT CO., \$5,555.62; HILL ENTERPRISES, \$2,488.93; HONSTEIN/MARK, \$18.72; ICON ARCHITECTURAL GROUP, \$29,862.55; INFORMATIONAL DATA TECHNOLOGIES LLC, \$755.29; INGRAM/MAX, \$189.48; J.J. KELLER & ASSOCIATES INC., \$98.76; JJ ELECTRIC LLC, \$4,061.16; JOHNSON & SUNDEEN, \$5,000.00; JOHNSRUD/NICOLE, \$1,035.28; KAY/MIAH-JOY, \$495.00; KEYZ-FM, KYYZ-FM, KTHC-FM, WILLISTON ND, \$1,173.00; KLJ ENGINEERING, LLC, \$71,315.41; KOHLER COMMUNICATIONS, INC., \$613.50; LARSEN SERVICE DRUG, INC., \$1,566.15; LUND OIL, INC., \$1,258.70; MAGNUSON/JOSHUA J, \$202.00; MC-CODY CONCRETE PRODUCTS, INC., \$2,188.01; MCKENZIE ELECTRIC CO-OP INC., \$2,157.62; MEADOWLARK ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC, \$187.50; MIDWEST TAPE LLC, \$599.20; MINDFUL SOLUTIONS, \$250.00; ND DEPT.OF CORRECTIONS & REHABILI-TION, \$150.00; ND WATER EDUCATION FOUNDATION, \$738.75; NELSON INTERNA TIONAL, \$4,275.71; NORTH DAKOTA ONE CALL, \$279.15; NORTHERN HEAVY DUTY TRUCK PARTS, \$3,545.50; NORTHERN PUMP & COMPRESSION, INC., \$7,019.04; NOVAK/LARRY, \$41.54; PEDERSEN/ANITA, \$2,500.00; PHARMCHEM. INC., \$1,258.95; PHOENIX SUPPLY, LLC, \$129.31; PRO-WEST & ASSOCIATES, INC., \$3,113.37; QUAL-ITY QUICK PRINT, \$829.00; RDO EQUIPMENT CO. - FARGO, \$12,356.65; RECORD KEEPERS LLC, \$92.50; ROLFSRUD/JOHN, \$48.24; SCOFIELD/JESSIE, \$1,200.00; SIN-CLAIR CYBERNETICS, LLC, \$4,543.54; SRF CONSULTING GROUP, INC, \$18,293.63; STEIN'S INC., \$1,595.03; SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC, \$16,616.66; SUNDRE SAND & GRAVEL, INC., \$26,904.78; TITAN MACHINERY, INC., \$2,214.00; TREVENA/JOSHUA T, \$180.00; TRIPLESEAT SOFTWARE, LLC, \$262.50; ULTEIG, \$38,635.50; UNITED QUAL-ITY COOPERATIVE, \$960.40; VOGEL LAW FIRM, \$1,471.50; WAWSA, \$216,020.06; WOLD/CLINT E, \$573.52; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, \$1,791.35; ANDERSEN/ ALAN, \$375.34; ANDERSEN/HARRIS, \$375.34; BAKER & TAYLOR, \$43.17; BIDDLE CONSULTING GROUP, INC., \$2,093.00; BOLTZ/JARED, \$15,000.00; BUTLER MACHIN-ERY COMPANY, \$270.00; CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE, INC., \$762.87; DEMCO, 158.30; FIRST INTERNATIONAL BANK & TRUST, \$3,325.98; FIRST INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE, \$17,602.00; GARMANS FLOORING, \$341.96; GENE'S TREE SERVICE, \$14,628.20; GRACIE GLOBAL LLC, \$4,500.00; HUMANITY INC., \$1,176.00; INTAB LLC, \$116.80; LEVEL UP PHOTOGRAPHY, \$725.00; LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC., \$106.92; MCKENZIE CO. FARMER, \$4,249.07; MCKENZIE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE, \$4,050.42; MCKENZIE COUNTY RURAL WATER, \$7,103.80; MEDLINE INDUSTRIES, INC., \$15.16; MYSTERY INK, \$50.00; ND SECRETARY OF STATE \$36.00; NEV PSYCHOLOGICAL CONSULTING PLLC, \$2,000.00; NORTHWESTERN LAND, LLC, \$13,632.50; O K IMPLEMENT CO., \$1,404.99; PARTS TOWN, LLC, \$113.21; PEACE OFFICERS STANDARDS & TRAINING, \$150.00; PRIEFERT MFG CO INC., \$21,976.92; RAMSEY/AMANDA LYNN, \$375.34; RESERVATION TELEPHONE CO-OP, \$1,316.67; SYNDICATE SAFETY & OILFIELD SUPPLIES, \$1,960.00; TACOMA SCREW PROD-UCTS, INC., \$423.37; TWIN CITY HARDWARE, \$69.22; VALLI INFORMATION SYS-TEMS, INC., \$1,093.96; WALK-N-ROLL, \$183.74; WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER OF WIL-LISTON, \$139.42; ALEXANDER/CITY OF, \$2,300.22; L. YELLOWSTONE IRRIG. DIST. #2 \$10,020.18; PAYROLL, APRIL 12, 2024, \$1,056,236.09; ARMSTRONG SANITATION, \$358.42; MCKENZIE CO. TREASURER-VERIZON, \$10,679.97; MCKENZIE COUNTY RURAL WATER, \$1,265.15; MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., \$32,954.61; RESER-VATION TELEPHONE CO-OP, \$7,575.52; SOUTHWEST WATER AUTHORITY, \$55.97; ACCUSOURCE INC., \$374.54; ADVANCED ENG. & ENVIRON. SERV., LLC, \$3,603.80; AERO PRECISION LLC, \$339.96; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, \$2,505.97; ANDREW S. MARQUART, ATTORNEY AT LAW, \$198.00; ATLAS TARGET WORKS, \$100.00; BAKER & TAYLOR, \$1,797.84; BEK CONSULTING, LLC, \$22,256.00; BERGANKDV EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS, \$1,736.74; BURNS & MCDONNELL, \$38,708.30; BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY, \$795.00; BUTTONS BY FISH, \$300.00; CDW-G GOVERNMENT, \$1,252.09; CE GAGE LEARNING INC., \$1,569.31; COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY,\$3,441.00; COUNTY OF GRAND FORKS, \$675.00; CRE-ATIVEPRODUCT SOURCE, INC., \$1,416.67; DACOTAH PAPER CO., \$1,097.18; DALLAS SAILER ENTERPRISES, INC., \$478.61; DEMCO, \$467.67; ECOLAB PEST ELIMINA-TION DIV., \$584.14; ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, \$1,150.00; FARMERS UNION OIL COMPANY, \$55,405.83; FLAG FAMILY MEDIA, \$1,600.00; GOODIN COMPANY, \$309.59; GUARDIAN ALLIANCE TECHNOLOGIES, INC., \$102.00; HOLIDAY STATION-STORES, LLC, \$33.00; INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE, \$5,433.51; IN-TERACTIVE DATA, INC., \$52.50; JACK & JILL, \$29.55; KUMMER'S PUMPING, \$400.00; KW MANAGEMENT INC., \$750.00; LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC., \$2,620.73; LINK COMPUTER CORPORATION, \$1,010.94; MCKENZIE CO. FARMER, \$2,202.43; MCK-ENZIE CO. MOTOR VEHICLE BRANCH, \$6.50; MCKENZIE CO. TREASURER, \$966.58; MCKENZIE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE, \$23,509.75; MEDLINE INDUSTRIES, INC. \$20.77; MENARD, INC., \$365.75; MISSOURI RIVER JOINT WATER BOARD, \$1,400.00; MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., \$63.79; ND OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, \$3,499.00; ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, \$22,906.84; NEXSTAR MEDIA INC., \$1,972.00; NORTHWESTERN LAND, LLC, \$12,133.10; O K IMPLEMENT CO., \$5,938.02; QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC., \$2,054.50; RED ROCK FORD, \$682.26; RED ROCK OF DICKINSON, INC., \$7,629.08; RESERVATION TELEPHONE CO-OP, \$27,828.85; STREICHER'S, \$1,693.85STRYKER SALES CORPORATION, \$271.44; STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR, \$50.00; THE PRINTERS INC., \$850.00; THOMSON REUTERS-WEST, \$1,135.30; TITANIUM PLUMBING, \$576.82; TRACTOR & EQUIP-MENT CO., \$27,954.57; TRANE U.S. INC., \$4,100.00; TWIN CITY HARDWARE, \$72.20; ULINE, \$886.34; UPKEEP TECHNOLOGIES, INC., \$3,900.00; VALLI INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC., \$1,998.94; VISION WEST ND, \$1,600.00; WARD COUNTY CORREC-TIONAL CENTER, \$150.00; WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER, \$2,598.98; WESTLIE TRUCK CENTER OF WILLISTON, \$20,840.24; PAYROLL, APRIL 26, 2024, \$1,054,494.86. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending March 31, 2024, as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Skarda, to approve Items 1-5 and 7-11 on the Commission Consent Agenda as presented. All voting aye, motion carried. Items approved: 1. Set Public Hearing Date - Abatement Application 4555 - 10:00am May 7, 2024; 2. Appoint 2024 Election Inspectors - A. Noel, J. Spotted Horse, and T. Berry; 3. Approve & Authorize Signature - 2024 Road Maintenance Agreements - V. Tarnavsky: A. Smith: A. & J. Smith: J. & C. Stomley: P. Nelson Trust; 4. Approve Out of State Travel request - SRO Swigart- National School Safety Conference - Phoenix, AZ; July 13-20, 2024; 5. Approve Out of State Training - FBI-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Media and Public Relations Training - E. Martinez, B. Kindred - Broomfield, CO; May 12-28, 2024; 7. Reappoint John Rolfsrud to MCWRD

ing, Inc. in the amount of \$103,012.00 for project BRP-2700(053) and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Wold, to approve the Amendment to Task Order 2303-00293-1 with KLJ Engineering in the amount of \$2,581,942.00 for the CR30 Phase II Project and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Brown, to approve Task Order 2024-03A with Brosz Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$35,000.00 for the Group 1 and Group 2 Structure Replacements projects and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on comments received from partners for the LMNG Travel Management Plan questions. Comments were received from the Grazing Association, industry partners, as well as various county departments. Demars and SA Skarda requested the Board review the comments provided, with a plan to approve those comments from the Board at their May 7 meeting, prior to the May 15 meeting with the USFS on the topic.

Williston Fire Chief Clark presented information to the Board regarding partnership opportunities and funding requests for Williston ambulance and fire responses into McKenzie County. Response areas within McKenzie County for those units include the city limits of Alexander Clark stated the calls for service are typically low in volume, but the calls are high risk calls that require considerable amounts of capital support and assets. Clark requested \$150,000 annually for EMS services within McKenzie County and \$50,000 annually for Special Operations (hazmat, technical rescue, etc.) within McKenzie County. Discussion was held on how service districts are determined, which is by closest response unit regardless of jurisdictional boundaries. The Board thanked Clark for appearing and answering questions and also requested addi-tional financial information, as is requested for other agencies, which would be utilized during budget discussions for 2025. Clark stated he would provide that information and looked forward to opening lines of communication and creating relationships with McKenzie County.

Facilities Administrator Schroeder requested Board approval to switch the LEC camera system from the current vendor to RTC, which is a local vendor and also the vendor for nearly all other County facilities. Moved by Wold, seconded by Brown, to approve moving to RTC for the LEC camera system and to approve the quote presented in the amount of \$55,555.47. All voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the LEC Fire alarms which are in need of some repairs and parts cannot be obtained for the current system. Schroeder presented an estimated cost of \$54,550. The Board asked questions regarding the date on the quote and if it was still valid, work that needed to be done, and if other vendors were available to provide a similar service. Schroeder stated she would look into finding answers for those questions and return to the Board for approval.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the purchase of one tilt trailer in the amount of \$11,000, less trade in value of \$3500, and one dump trailer in the amount of \$13,500 from Heggen Equipment as requested from Buildings & Grounds. All voting aye, motion carried.

The PetroHunt temporary section line closure request in Elm Tree Township, continued from March 19, was discussed. Mike Lindsay, PetroHunt, stated he met with Engineering Director Demars, the USFS, and representatives from Elm Tree Township on a road plan that all agreed to for 885A

RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUING SECTION LINE ROADWAYS WHEREAS, a petition to temporarily close a portion of a section line roadway in Sections 4 and 9, Township 153 North, Range 95 West has been filed in the office the McKenzie County Auditor, being further described as:

A strip of land located in the North Half (N1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Nine (9) and the South Half (S1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Four (4), Township One Hundred Fifty-Three North (T153N), Range Ninety-Five West (95W) of the Fifth Principal Meridian (5TH.P.M.), McKenzie County, North Dakota. A strip of land Sixty-Six feet (66') wide having Thirty-Three feet (33') lying on each side of the following described centerline. Commencing at the Northwest corner (NW1/4) of said Section Nine (9); thence S 89°56'23' E, a distance of 953.97 feet along the North Section Line of Section Nine (9) to the point of beginning; thence S 89°56'23" E, a distance of 473.24 feet to the point of terminus located N 89°56'23" W, a distance of 1198.08 feet from the North Quarter Corner (N1/4) of said Section Nine (9). Said easement has a total length of 473.24 feet and contains 0.72 acres more or less.

WHEREAS, Notice of Hearing was given and duly held by the McKenzie County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 10:00 AM CT in the Board Room of the McKenzie County Courthouse at 201 5th St NW, Watford City, North Dakota, with Commissioners Lawlar, Skarda, Brown, Hystad, and Wold present, and

WHEREAS, testimony has been received and evidence examined in favor of the discontinuance of said roadways, on motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Hystad, and a vote of 5 aye and 0 nay,

IT IS RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners for McKenzie County, North Dakota, that is in the interest of the public and the parties involved granting the petition and hereby declaring the described section line roadways to be temporarily discontinued.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the hiring of a relative of a current employee at the Ag Expo as presented, with neither employee having supervisory duties over the other. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Wold, seconded by Skarda, to approve the purchase of a batwing mower from Heg-gen Equipment in the amount of \$26,750 (Landpride 14' single wing) as presented for the Ag Expo. Kubal stated his team would be taking care of mowing the large acreages at the facility and is working through details on who would be taking care of the short grass around the facility All voting aye, motion carried.

Schroeder returned with an updated quote, no change in price, for the LEC fire alarms from Systems Technology. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the Systems Technol-ogy quote for LEC fire alarms in the amount of \$54,550 as presented. All voting aye, motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 11:48 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. when the Board attended the Ribbon Cutting and Open House of the Bakken Area Skills Center. Special Meeting April 18, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of McKenzie County, North Dakota met for a special meeting at the Commissioners Room at the McKenzie County Courthouse in Watford City, North Dakota on April 18, 2024. Present: Commissioners Clint Wold, Craig Hystad, Howdy Lawlar, and Kathy Skarda. Absent: Commissioner Joel Brown. Also present Auditor/Treasurer Johnsrud. Chairman Lawlar called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The topic of the meeting was to discuss the waiving of Landfill fees for the 2024 Pick Up the Patch Event. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Wold, to approve waiving the Landfill fees for the 2024 Pick Up the Patch Event - May 6-10, 2024. All voting aye, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m. until April 26, 2024, at 8:30 a.m

(May 15, 2024)

Special Meeting April 26, 2024 The Board of Commissioners of McKenzie County, North Dakota met for a special meeting at the Commissioners Room at the McKenzie County Courthouse in Watford City, North Dakota on April 26, 2024. Present: Commissioners Clint Wold, Craig Hystad, Howdy Lawlar, Kathy Skarda, and Joel Brown. Also present Auditor/Treasurer Johnsrud and State's Attorney Skarda. Chairman Lawlar called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The topic of the meeting was to discuss County Route 30 rights-of-way. State's Attorney Skarda and outside counsel Brian Schmidt discussed with the Board the background of the issues with parcel numbers 19-3 and 19-2 on the County Route 30 project. These parcels are owned jointly by three landowners, two in support of the project and one who remains unlocatable out of state despite numerous attempts to make contact. The original discussion on these parcels was held during the September 19, 2023, Board meeting and was discussed again. SA Skarda stated the case is not that the person is against the project, but is transient and hard to reach, even by her own family. Demars stated the other two owners of these parcels had no proposed changes to the project. Brown reiterated that the Board is a champion of landowner rights and that landowner concerns are very important, however in this instance need to look at the merits and decide if this needed project should be held up by one unlocatable landowner, especially with the other two landowners on these parcels in favor of the project.

The meeting recessed at 11:18 a.m. until April 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

(May 15, 2024) April 16, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of McKenzie County, North Dakota met at the Commissioners Room at the McKenzie County Courthouse in Watford City, North Dakota on April 16, 2024. Present: Commissioners Howdy Lawlar, Joel Brown, Clint Wold, Kathy Skarda, and Craig Hystad. Also present Auditor/Treasurer Johnsrud and State's Attorney Skarda. Chairman Lawlar called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Brown, to approve the agenda as amended to include the addition of the ABM contract as #11 to the Board Consent Agenda. All voting aye, motion carried. Discussion was held on the informational reports provided.

Discussion was held on the bills presented for payment. Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to approve the bills as presented. All voting aye, motion carried. AB STAFFING SOLUTIONS, LLC, \$8,000.00; ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD, \$28,628.87;

ALLEGIANCE COBRA SERVICES, INC., \$58.00; ARMOR INTERACTIVE, \$48,334.62; BADLANDS HARDWARE, \$396.90; BADLANDS OCCPATIONAL TESTING SERVICES, \$38.00; BAKER METAL AND RECYCLING INC., \$45,516.40; BALCO UNIFORM COMPA-NY, INC., \$99.91; BOLKEN/DOUGLAS, \$6,975.76; BOSS OFFICE & COMPUTER PROD-UCTS, \$403.83; BROSZ ENGINEERING, INC., \$23,395.00; CERTIFIED POWER INC. \$420.93; CIM SANITARY TECH LLC, \$24,746.67; CORBIN/ZACHERY, \$59.59; DIETRICH/ ARIAL B, \$209.00; DTE, INC., \$932.70; E & M SERVICES, \$1,204.01; ELITE CABINETS AND BUILDING SUPPLY LLC, \$128.54; FARSTAD OIL IN, \$875.03; FASTENAL COM-PANY, \$688.73; FCI CONSTRUCTORS, INC., \$722,821.96; FINSAAS/DARRELL, \$65.66; GRAINGER, \$830.73; GRAY MEDIA GROUP, INC., \$960.00; HANCE/JACOB D, \$209.00; HAWKEYE OILFIELD SUPPLY, \$68.72; HECK BUILT LLC, \$125,700.00; HEGGEN EQUIP-MENT CO., \$1,697.02; HOLIDAY INN/FARGO, \$192.60; J.J. KELLER & ASSOCIATES INC., \$265.39; JCJ WATER SOURCE LLP, \$406.00; JOHNSRUD/ERICA, \$334.50; KADIR/ PEYMAN O, \$112.96; KAY/MIAH-JOY, \$21.14; KO SAFETY SERVICES LLD, \$1,838.70; LISOK/STEPHEN, \$94.00; LUND OIL, INC., \$1,534.70; MCCODY CONCRETE PROD-UCTS, INC., \$249.34; MCNANEY/CHARLES, \$50.92; NAGEL/BRYAN, \$209.00; NELSON AUTO CENTER, \$929.08; NELSON INTERNATIONAL, \$576.60; NORTHERN HEAVY DUTY TRUCK PARTS, \$2,567.15; NOVA FIREPROTECTION, INC., \$600.00; O.K. TIRE STORE, INC., \$139.99; PHOENIX SUPPLY, LLC, \$1,065.65; RDO EQUIPMENT CO. -FARGO, \$4,075.93; ROGER NEU, \$312.50; SAX MOTOR CO., \$344.09; STARLIGHT IT & SECURITY, \$13,400.00; STEIN'S INC., \$810.11; STENBERG/DANIEL, \$529.64; SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC, \$10,904.42; TREVENA/JOSHUA T, \$209.00; UNITED QUAITY COOPERATIVE, \$1,571.08; WATFORD CITY/CITY OF, \$18,179.90; WERLINGER/ROB-ERT, \$667.33; WILLIAMS COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DIST., \$50,000.00; WOLF/PHIL-IP, \$123.10; ALEX TWP., \$9,481.96; ALEXANDER PARK DISTRICT, \$375.44; ALEXAN-DER RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, \$2,072.96; ALEXANDER SCHOOL DIST. #2, \$32,628.23; ANTELOPE CR. TWP., \$6,361.28; ARNEGARD PARK DISTRICT, \$1,031.39; ARNE-GARD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DIST., \$1,480.36; ARNEGARD TWP., \$17,616.51; ARNEGARD/CITY OF, \$2,055.38; BLUE BUTTES TWP., \$10,939.57; CHARBON TWP., \$12,010.14; EARL SCHOOL DIST. #18, \$1,339.70; ELM TREE TWP., \$18,000.92;

GARRISON DIVERSION CONSERVANCY DIST., \$5,472.08; GRAIL TWP., \$5,167.14; GRASSY BUTTE FIRE DISTRICT, \$309.27; HAWKEYE TWP., \$11,413.53; HORSE CREEK RURAL FIRE DIST., \$146.83; HORSE CREEK SCHOOL DIST. #32, \$2,872.42; KEENE TWP., \$10,704.08; MANDAREE SCHOOL DIST. #36, \$1,058.35; MCKENZIE CO. AMBULANCE SERVICE, \$5,308.96; MCKENZIE CO. FIRE PROT. DIST., \$7,525.47; MCKENZIE CO. HISTORICAL SOCIETY, \$1,305.51; MCKENZIE CO. SD#1, \$278,584.62; MCKENZIE SOIL CONS. DIST., \$8,603.33; ND STATE TREASURER, \$3,231.73; NEW TOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL DIST., \$33,501.08; NEW TOWN RURAL AMBULANCE DIST., \$187.12; NEW TOWN RURAL FIRE DEPT., \$134.50; RANDOLPH TWP., \$4,531.86; RIVERVIEW TWP., \$25,162.13; SIOUX TWP., \$11,177.56; SIOUX-YELLOWSTONE RURAL FIRE DIST., \$662.40; TRI TWP, \$24,123.00; TWIN VALLEY TWP., \$35,494.25; UPPER MISSOURI DIST. HEALTH UNIT, \$5,582.86; WATFORD CITY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, \$2,884.32; WATFORD CITY PARK DISTRICT, \$56,502.83; WATFORD CITY/ CITY OF, \$90,572.66; WILLIAMS COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DIST., \$9.93; WIL-LISTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, \$107.76; YELLOWSTONE SCHOOL DISTRICT #14, \$9,247.39; YELLOWSTONE SCHOOL DISTRICT #14, \$802.07; YELLOWSTONE TWP., \$20,646.04; CONSOLIDATED TELCOM, \$112.83; INFORMATION TECHNOL-OGY DEPT., \$6,193.55; LYREC, \$55.64; MCKENZIE ELECTRIC CO-OP INC., \$13,830.48; NEMONT, \$28.50; WATFORD CITY WATER DEPT./CITY OF, \$4,828.10; AB STAFFING SOLUTIONS, LLC, \$4,000.00; ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS, \$2,752.85; AGENCY MABU, \$250.00; AGRI INDUSTRIES, INC., \$293.85; ALLEGIANCE COBRA SERVICES, INC., \$134.00; ARMOR INTERACTIVE, \$51,437.65; ASTRO-CHEM LAB, INC., \$100.00; BADLANDS HARDWARE, \$88.11; BADLANDS OCCUPATIONAL TESTING SERVICES, \$76.00; BALCO UNIFORM COMPANY, INC., \$1,084.83; BECKER/BARBARA J., \$500.00; BEICEGEL STATION, \$49.30; BOSS OFFICE & COMPUTER PRODUCTS, \$466.78; CALAMP WIRELESS NETWORKS CORPORATION, \$6,084.93; CAPITAL CITY RES-TAURANT SUPPLY, \$3,967.50; CASCADE AUTO GLASS, \$552.90; CERTIFIED POWER. INC., \$4,139.64; CHARM-TEX, INC., \$674.63; CIVIL SCIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE, INC., \$28,039.25; CONNECT INTERIORS LLC, \$556.41; CORPORATE TRANSLATION SERVICES, INC., \$96.97; CPS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, \$6,490.00; DIRTY BIRDS, LLC, \$2,700.00; DMC WEAR PARTS LLC, \$7,876.00; DTE, INC., \$14,908.67; DUCKS UN-LIMITED, INC., \$33,150.00; ELITE CABINETS AND BUILDING SUPPLY LLC, \$127.87; FARSTAD OIL IN, \$355.39; FASTENAL COMPANY, \$2,230.78; FCI CONSTRUCTORS, INC., \$802,948.02; FIRST INTERNATIONAL BANK & TRUST, \$1,925.00; FULKERSON FUNERAL HOME, \$2,780.00; GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC., \$2,083.32; GLA-

Board - term expiring 6/30/2029; 8. Approve Out of State Travel - MCCF OC Aerosol Training - W. Thorgramson and TBD - Roundup, MT; May 14, 2024; 9. Approve & Authorize Signature JPA with City of Williston - Airport Services; 10. Approve & Authorize Signature - NDDOT County Federal Aid Contracts - Bridge Replacement: 11. Approve & Authorize Signature - ABM contract for HR, Engineering, and WRD copiers.

Discussion was held on Consent Agenda Item 6. - Approve Out of State Travel - MCCF Nat'l Institute of Corrections Training - J. Christensen, K. Bogue; Z. Miller - Aurora, CO; August 5, 2024. Hystad asked the cost for the training. MCCF Administrator Werlinger stated there would be no cost to the County other minor incidental as all costs for hotel, airfare, and meals would be covered by the DOJ. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Brown, to approve Item 6. All voting ave, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the Planning & Zoning Consent Agenda Items 1-2 as presented. All voting aye, motion carried. Items approved: 1. # 02-23AmendCUP: Applicant is requesting a permit to extend an existing Scoria Pit onto Parcel # 690002800, S-5, T-150N, R-96W, with an address of 2902 113th Ave NW. Planning and Zoning Board recom-mends approval of the Conditional Use Permit #02-23AmendCup to the County Commission to allow the Scoria Pit expansion; 2. # 05-24CUP: Applicant would like to bring 7 existing workforce housing units located at Parcel # 651101100, S-12, T-149N, R-99W with an address of 12636 23rd Into compliance with the Ordinance. Planning and Zoning Board recommends approval of Conditional Use Permit #03-24CUP to the County Commission to allow the work rce housing

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Brown, to approve the SRF Professional Services Agreement Amendment for zoning ordinance updates as presented, to authorize the chairman to sign, and approve an associated budget amendment in the amount of \$15,840. All voting aye, motion urried.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Hystad, to approve the SRF Consulting Agreement for on-call services in the amount not to exceed \$20,000 as presented and authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Landfill Director Schreiber provided an update on the HHW/Ag pesticide collection event and costs for an additional pesticide truck. Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to approve the two agreements with Veolia for this event on July 13 and authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried. Discussion was held on how best to advertise for the event, including an article in the McKenzie County Farmer.

Schreiber discussed with the Board repairs needed for a Bobcat unit which has 1200 hours of hard landfill use. Moved by Skarda, seconded by Hystad, to approve the release of a bid package for a new compact wheel loader, with bids to be opened outside a Board meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Economic Development Director Stenberg introduced a request approved for by the JDA Board from the Rough Rider Center for the addition of bathrooms in the hockey area of the facility. Representatives from the RRC, City of Watford City, and Hockey Club were present to discuss the request. City of Watford City Administrator Moen stated the project is on the City's CIP list for completion in 2026, but no funds available to move the project up in priority at this time. Discussion was held on the timeline for completion of the project. RRC Director Fitzpatrick stated the construction wouldn't begin until the completion of the 2025 hockey season. Discussion was also held regarding the possibility of the City of Watford City reimbursing or partially reimbursing the County for the project in 2026 when it was slated to be completed. Moved by Brown, seconded by Skarda, to proceed forward with bidding the bathroom project up to \$30,000 for design and bidding costs, with an associated budget amendment to the JDA budget. Fitzpatrick stated they will return this fall with the final bid results. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Wold, to approve the appointment of MJ Kay as the Interim Library Director, effective April 7, 2024 through two weeks following the start of the new Library Director. All voting aye, motion carried.

At 10:02 a.m. bids were opened for 2024 Dust Control. One bid was received. Dustbusters Enterprises submitted a bid of \$1.26/gallon, total bid price of \$7,560,000.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Brown, to approve the budget amendment to the Corrections budget in the amount of \$14,490 for the purchase of two pieces of recreational equipment as requested by MCCF Administrator Werlinger and approved by the LEC Joint Powers Governing Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

VSO Honstein provided a first quarter 2024 report to the Board. Honstein discussed the duties and tasks his temporary assistant had completed, upcoming trainings, benefits received by veterans living in McKenzie County, and other office operations.

Matt Johnson, NDLTAP, presented information on the upcoming Western ND Energy Roundtable on May 22. The event is open to the public and will discuss transportations issues around western ND.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Wold, to award to Sundre Sand and Gravel the 2024 Aggregate Stockpiles contract in the amount of \$4,251,750, low bid, and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Skarda, to award Dustbusters Enterprises the 2024 Dust Control in the amount of \$7,560,000, low bid, and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to approve the closure of 122nd Avenue NW from County Road 37 to approximately 1.4 miles north during construction as presented by Engineer Demars. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Skarda, to approve Task Order 2024-05 with Brosz Engineer-ing, Inc. in the amount of \$213,220.00 for the surveying and materials testing associated with Phase I of the 122nd Avenue NW Reconstruction project and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Skarda, seconded by Wold, to approve Task Order 2024-04 with Brosz Engineering, Inc. for the 2024 Aggregates Stockpile project in the amount of \$61,387.50 and authorize the chair to sign. All voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Wold, seconded by Hystad, to approve Task Order 2024-02 with Brosz Engineer-

Moved by Brown, seconded by Skarda, to approve the order for condemnation of temporary right of way as presented an authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried ORDER FOR CONDEMNATION OF TEMPORARY RIGHT OF WAY

Pursuant to the motion passed at the April 26, 2024, Special Meeting of the McKenzie County Board of County Commissioners ("Commission"), the Board issues the following order for condemnation of temporary right of way for property described as Parcel Number 19-3 which has the following property description and is shown by the attached Right of Way Plat:

A portion of the NW ¼ of Section 10, Township 149 N, Range 99 W, of the 5th Principal Meridian, County of McKenzie, State of North Dakota, described as follows:

A strip of land 65 feet wide, the southerly and northerly lines of which are parallel. The northerly line of said strip being 75 feet southerly of and parallel with the following described section line as surveyed.

Commencing at the NE corner of the NW ¼ of section 10, thence westerly along the north line of section 10, S 87 deg. 51 min. 19 sec. W a distance of 203.30 feet to the beginning of the 65 foot strip. Thence continue westerly along said section line N 87 deg. 51 min. 19 sec. W a distance of 90.00 feet to the end of the 20 foot strip.

("Subject Property")

WHEREAS the Subject Property is owned by Alan Andersen, Amanda Lynn Andersen, and Harris Andersen. The County has been able to reach an agreement with Alan Andersen and Harris Andersen with respect to the purchase of a temporary right of way for the Subject Property; owever, such agreement has not been reached with respect to Amanda Lynn Andersen

WHEREAS the Commission directs the Right of Way Plat prepared for the Subject Property be recorded with the County Recorder.

WHEREAS the Commission declared that the public necessity requires the taking of the Sub-

ject Property at its September 19, 2023, meeting. WHEREAS the Commission has been unable to purchase lands required for the purposes nentioned in N.D.C.C. § 24-05-09.

The Commission now orders the following:

The Commission orders the taking of a temporary right of way upon the Subject Property to be in the public interest to promote public safety and improvement of county connectivity. Therefore, the taking of a temporary right of way in the Subject Property for the CR 30 Reconstruction Project is hereby declared a necessity by this order.

The Commission orders such temporary right of way shall terminate upon completion of construction of the CR 30 Reconstruction Project or upon the expiration of $\hat{5}$ years from the date of conveyance, whichever comes first.

The Commission orders that in accordance with N.D.C.C. § 24-05-10, the following members be appointed to a Special Board to fix damages for the taking of the temporary right of way upon the Subject Property:

Name	Title with County
 Erica Johnsrud 	County Auditor
2. Grace Demars	County Engineer
Joel Brown	County Commissioner

The Commission orders the Special Board to fix a time and place for a hearing of all persons or parties interested or aggrieved by the Board's condemnation of the temporary right of way upon the Subject Property. The Special Board shall make its determination as to the time and

place for said hearing within 15 days of this Order. The Commission orders the Special Board to hold a hearing for all persons or parties interested or aggrieved by the Board's condemnation of the temporary right of way upon the Subject Property no later than 30 days from the date of this Order.

The Commission orders the Special Board to cause notice of said hearing be published in the County's official newspaper once each week for two successive weeks prior to the date of hearing. Said notice shall state the time and place where the hearing must be held, together with a description of the property appraised.

The Commission orders the Special Board to fix damages to be paid by the County for the condemnation of a temporary right of way upon the Subject Property after hearing from all interested persons who wish to be heard at the noticed hearing.

The Commission orders that upon the Special Board's fixing of damages for the condemnation of a temporary right of way upon the Subject Property, payment shall be made to the clerk of the district court for the benefit of the persons interested in the sum awarded by the Special Board at its noticed hearing.

The Commission orders that upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of deposit of the amount awarded, the receipts of the owners of said premises or of the clerk of court shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of McKenzie County.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Moved by Hystad, seconded by Wold, to approve the order for condemnation of permanent right of way as presented an authorize the chairman to sign. All voting aye, motion carried. ORDER FOR CONDEMNATION OF PERMANENT RIGHT OF WAY

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