

Meeting Minutes
Grant County Commissioner
Regular meeting

Alton Zenker, Chairman

Commissioners:
Al Roy Hochhalter

Marty Meyer

Chairman Zenker called the February 21, 2024 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order at 9:03 a.m. All present honored our nation by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Public present: Riley Dahl, GCN; Kayla Ulmer, Deputy Tax Director.

Commissioner Meyer moved to approve agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hochhalter. All present voting aye; agenda approved.

Moved by Commissioner Hochhalter and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to approve February 7, 2024 Regular Board of Commissioner meeting minutes. All present voting aye. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report was accepted.

Old business:

New business:

Meyer moved to approve bills totaling \$47,000.74. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter- aye, Zenker – aye. Bills approved.

Amanda Dahners 37.49
Bismarck Hotel & Conference Center 96.30
Bobcat of Mandan 15.24
Burleigh-Morton Detention Center 200.00
CHS Inc 4,351.15
City of Carson 300.77
City of Elgin 30.00
Dakota Fluid Power Inc 150.16
Fireside Office Solutions 58.41
Linde Gas & Equipment 364.49
Mid-State Organized Crime Info Center 75.00
Napa Auto Parts New Salem 297.10
North Dakota Association of Counties 6,353.00
Sauber Engineering 2,400.00
Spray Sync 5,650.00
Jacqueline Steinmetz 153.00
Steins Inc 332.69
Terracon Consultants Inc 774.00
Thomson Reuters-West Publishing 178.15
Underground Vaults & Storage 684.00
Wells Fargo Vendor Financial 585.35
White Cap 77.04
MDU 1,455.23
Mor Gran Sou 107.48
NDACo Resources Group 21,228.00
ITD 870.45
WRT-Tower 176.24

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Abatement application for parcels 15588400, 15589700, 15589100 for a 2023 Disabled Veteran Credit to a maximum of 8,100 taxable value, excluding previously applied credit. Motion made by Meyer to approve application, seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcels 61069700 for a 2023 Homestead Credit. Motion made by Hochhalter to approve application, seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcels 62091600, 62091900, 62091800 for a 2023 Homestead Credit. Motion made by Meyer to approve application, seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcels 61078200, 61078300 for a 2023 Homestead Credit. Motion made by Hochhalter to approve application, seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcels 62098800 for a 2023 Homestead Credit. Motion made by Meyer to approve application, seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcel 61041000 for a 2023 Disabled Veteran Credit by redetermination of disability. Motion made by Hochhalter to approve application, seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Abatement application for parcel 61041500 for a 2023 Disabled Veteran Credit. Motion made by Meyer to approve application, seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Public Hearing for FEMA Flood Plain Ordinance set for March 20, 2024 from 11:00 to 11:30 am.

Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve WRT – Utility Permit #UTL-S1-36-T139-131-R86-89-A for 77 miles of boring for fiber optic line installation.

Bid opening for Gravel Crushing and Stockpiling for 2024 was called to order at 10:00 Mountain Time. One bid was submitted by Gravel Products, Inc. of Minot, ND. Motion made by Meyer to award project to Gravel Products Inc of Minot, ND for a total bid of \$913,550.00. Motion seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer-aye, Hochhalter- aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hochhalter to pay gravel royalties of \$2.00 per cubic yard for the 2024 gravel crushing and stockpiling of materials. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Application approved.

Patrick Diehl met with the Board to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding for Federal Emergency Assistance a presented by Morton County. The process is necessary to follow the Homeland Security

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Department Guidelines with the reimbursement of procedures following a declared disaster. Meyer moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Morton County, seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye.

Motion made by Hochhalter to decrease the 2023 average agricultural value by 0.5% to be within the tolerance level set for the 2024 agricultural value as set by the North Dakota State Board of Equalization. Seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye.

Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve compensatory time for Jackie Steinmetz in the month of April at a rate of one-and one half to account for hours worked after regular work hours to attend city or township boards of equalization. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye.

Steinmentz requested the purchase of an agricultural building valuation module for the CAMAVision program. Cost is \$2,650 for the first year and \$1,650 for subsequent years for the use of the module, with the first payment made with the February 21, 2024 bills. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve the contract for the module purchase. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye.

The board approved the advertising for a deputy director of tax equalization as a part-time position of 20 to 30 hours per week at a rate of \$16.00 per hour and benefits.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 2:10 p.m.

FYI: next scheduled meetings will be March 6th and 20th, 2024. The Courthouse will be closed March 29th for Good Friday.

X *Alton Zenker*

Alton Zenker, Chairman

X *Sara Meier*

Sara Meier, County Auditor