

Meeting Minutes
Grant County Commissioner
Regular meeting

Alton Zenker, Chairman

Commissioners:
Al Roy Hochhalter

Marty Meyer

Chairman Zenker called the September 6, 2023 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order at 9:02 a.m. All present honored our nation by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Public present were Riley J Dahl, Grant County News, Aric Roth, Mary Roth, and Merlin Leithold.

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

Moved by Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Hochhalter to approve August 16, 2023 Regular Board of Commissioner meeting minutes as amended. All present voting aye. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report was accepted.

Old business:

New business:

Hochhalter moved to approve bills totaling \$202,663.02. Seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter- aye, Zenker – aye. Bills approved.

Acme Tools 227.36
Al's Exhaust System and Body Shop 280.50
Auto Value Mandan 600.95
BG Fire Inc 4,270.00
Butler Machinery Inc 22,770.49
Cenex Fleetcard 292.52
Central West Services LLP 4,245.00
City of Carson 296.27
Dakota Business Solutions 223.00
Dakota Grain & Livestock Supply 915.00
Elgin True Value 1,077.58
Farm & Home Supply 532.97
Farstad Oil Inc 21,952.36
Fireside Office Solutions 32.17
Fitterer Gas & Oil 115.64
Galls Inc 109.04
HA Thompson & Sons 87,500.00
Hauges Repair 587.48
Hertz Brothers Inc 2,059.64
I-State Truck Center 46.20
John Deere Financial 810.15
Johnsen Trailer Sales Inc 766.71
Julie Fischer 136.26
Liberty Dirtwork LLC 2,780.00
Liquid Distributions System Inc 5,934.65
Mandan Veterinary Clinic 416.15

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Matthew Bender & Co Inc 197.53
Napa Auto Parts New Salem 4,589.10
NDSU Dept 3110 145.00
North Dakota Dept of Transportation 982.10
Otis Elevator Co 100.00
PJs Farm Supply 179.29
POSitive Concepts Inc 260.64
PowerPlan 6,870.91
Riehl Repair 393.55
Schirado Enterprises LLC 600.00
Sirchie Finger Print Lab 32.00
SW Grain Admin Office 3,200.40
Statewide Services Inc 4,419.00
Steins Inc 523.69
Thomson Reuters-West Publishing 154.89
TW Tire 211.00
Vanguard Appraisals Inc 1,825.00
Wallwork Truck Center 12.69
Wells Fargo Vendor Financial 572.96
AT&T Mobility 736.59
MDU 1,588.95
WRT 1,904.98
NDACo Resource Group 1,946.94
NDSU Extension Ag Budget Office 12,237.72

Sheriff Garrett Harding presented donation made by New Salem Civic Club for \$2,000.00. Motion made by Meyer to purchase three rifles from Personal Defense Center with donated funds. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Jon Alt, Road Superintendent, Sara Meier, County Auditor/Treasurer and Chairman Zenker presented the engineering firms that were selected for the preliminary engineering work for upcoming bridge projects. Interstate Engineering was selected for the BRJ-0019(017) PCN 23712 otherwise known as the Schick Bridge; Brosz Engineering Inc was selected for the BRJ-0019(025) PCN 23710 otherwise known as the Cannonball River Bridge; and Sauber Engineering was selected for BRJ-0019(026) otherwise known as the Cedar Creek Bridge, and BRC-1927(065) otherwise known as the Hear River Bridge.

Alt said there have been inquiries on purchasing the asphalt millings the county received. The millings are not for sale and are intended for use by the county and the city of New Leipzig. They may be used on some county roads and property in the future.

John Sauber met with the Board to discuss current projects and future gravel prospecting plans.

Mary Roth and Aric Roth brought forth concerns about a possible section line closure the access property in Section 13 of Township 133 North, Range 89 West. Grant Walker recommended Ms. Roth contact an attorney for assistance. Walker asked that Ms. Roth be added to the September 20th Regular Meeting agenda at 11:00 am to follow up on the matter.

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Discussion about the upcoming preliminary budget hearing was had. Meyer requested a 4% increase in salary instead of the 8% was being recommended for other salaried employees. Chairman Zenker requested a 4% increase instead of an 8%. Further discussion will be held on September 13th at the budget hearing.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 2:02 p.m.

FYI: next scheduled meetings will be September 20th and October 4th. Preliminary budget hearing will be held September 13th at 9:00 am Mountain Time.

X *Alton Zenker*

Alton Zenker, Chairman

X *Sara Meier*

Sara Meier, County Auditor