

Meeting Minutes
Grant County Commissioner
Regular meeting

Alton Zenker

Commissioners:
Al Roy Hochhalter

Marty Meyer

Commissioner Zenker called the September 7, 2022 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order 9:01 a.m.

Moved by Commissioner Meyer and seconded by Commissioner Hochhalter to approve agenda. All present voting aye; agenda approved.

Moved by Commissioner Hochhalter and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to approve minutes. All present voting aye; minutes approved.

Old business: Commissioner Hochhalter spoke with company about the cement project at Elgin shop. Commissioner Meyer spoke with company about the water line installation to the Elgin shop. Both companies indicated work will begin in next couple weeks.

New business:

Meyer made a motion to approve bills totaling \$24,880.19. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Hochhalter-aye, Meyer-aye, Zenker – aye. Bills approved.

Advanced Business Methods 32.31
Aimee Seelye 244.67
Als Exhaust and Body Shop 239.50
Auto Value Mandan 401.09
BEK 119.78
Black Hills Ammunition 578.00
Butler Machinery Inc 1,074.84
Dell Marketing LP 583.60
Elgin True Value 826.80
Farm & Home Supply 134.35
Fireside Office Solutions 31.25
GS Publisig LLC 109.38
Hertz Brothers Inc 451.64
State Truck Center 126.70
John Deere Financial 2,968.39
Johnsen Trailer Sales Inc 473.96
Julie Fischer 38.79
Linstar 12.80
Matthew Bender & Co Inc 218.24
MDU 75.48
Milts Building Supply 28.20
Mor Gran Sou 56.36
NDSU Extension Towner County 8.00
ND DOT 324.19
North West Tire Inc Mandan 167.86
Tessa Osterbauer 32.86
PB Electronics 1,555.00
POST Board 195.00
Ramada By Wyndham Bismarck 345.60

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Statewide Services Inc 3,949.00
Stelter Repair Inc 417.56
Terracon Consultants Inc 1,548.00
Unicom 655.00
Uniform Center 302.93
VISA 5,404.66
WRT 1,148.40

John Sauber, Sauber Engineering met with the Board. Gravel crushing and stockpiling at the Diehl Pit has been complete. The company will be moving to the Kuntz pit next. Moved by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to pay \$167,240.47 to Knopick Pit Management, LLC for portion of project completed. A retainer of 10% was held until reclamation is completed and approved. Roll call vote- Hochhalter– aye, Meyer-aye, Zenker – aye.

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve a change order for Project BRO-0019(024) Shields Bridge to remove the substantial completion date requirement. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

North Dakota Department of Transportation has approved the Johnson Bridge review will be done once per year instead of monthly, and the inspection company will also complete an annual inspection. There has been no change in the fissure that was of concern to the inspectors, and NDDOT concurred.

Moved by Meyer to pay Dean Diehl for gravel royalties of \$2.00 per cubic yard on 21,081 cubic yards for a total of \$42,162.00. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Hochhalter– aye, Meyer-aye, Zenker – aye. Moved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to pay Dean Diehl for 44 yards of rocks at a rate of \$10.00 for a total of \$440.00. Roll call vote- Hochhalter– aye, Meyer-aye, Zenker – aye.

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to extend the deadline for adjacent property owners to have ditches mowed from October 1 to October 15, 2022 due to the dry conditions, and fire danger risk. Advertisement of the deadline will be published. All in favor, voting aye.

Chairman Zenker recessed meeting at 10:03 a.m. to allow Planning and Zoning hearing on zoning change. Chairman Zenker reconvened meeting at 10:18 a.m.

Meyer moved to approve \$10.00 per hour for Emily Meier and Elizabeth Meier for assisting with estimated tax statement mailing. Emily worked 13.25 hours, and Elizabeth worked 4.25 hours. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Sheriff John Foss submitted letter of resignation for remainder of term. Meyer moved accepted resignation, and seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Meyer moved to appoint Garrett Harding to complete the term as Grant County Sheriff until a successor is elected. Term will expire December 31, 2022. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Hochhalter moved to approve annual salary for Sheriff Harding at \$68,556 prorated for the remainder of the unexpired term. Seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

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Debbie Paulson, resident of Grant County, visited with the Board about fire that happened close to her residential property in Township 131 North, Range 85 West. Mrs. Paulson stated that the Cedar Valley Fire District did not respond to the fire. McIntosh was sent as mutual aid. Mrs. Paulson asked about annexation of her property into another district. Auditor Meier cited the petition process. Mrs. Paulson is an elector of Grant County and would qualify to sign a petition.

Raymond Alt, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Board, and Kayla Ulmer, Deputy Tax Director delivered the recommendation to the Board of County Commissioner on the rezoning of agricultural land to commercial for the W1/2SW1/4SW1/4 of Section 21 in Township 134 North, Range 87 West. Meyer approved recommendation, and seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Ulmer presented utility permit #UTL32-33-13490-76A. Permit approved by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Ulmer presented utility permit #UTL36-79-60SHIELDSTOWER. Permit approved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote- Meyer-aye, Hochhalter– aye, Zenker – aye.

Damian Ulrich asked about the fencing being done by the Becker bridge project west of Carson. The fence may not be attached to the bridge because it is then within the easement of the County road. Ulrich stated other fences in the area go up to the structure. Chairman Zenker said that has happened, but that has to change, and we have to start with the fences being built now.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 12:30 p.m.

FYI: next scheduled meetings will be September 21st and October 5th, 2022. Budget hearing is scheduled for September 14th, 2022 beginning at 9:00 am MT.

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Alton Zenker, Chairman

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Sara Meier, County Auditor