

Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission— May 21, 2024

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Klose called the regular meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Jerry Bergquist, Chad Wolsky (via telephone), Joan Morris, Levi Taylor (via telephone), and Mark Klose were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jessica Alonge, Auditor/COO, presented an update on the 2024 election. She reminded voters to ensure their ID is up to date with their current address. Absentee voting opened on May 2, and absentee ballot applications are available at the auditor's office or vote.nd.gov. Early voting will begin at the courthouse Monday, June 3 – Friday, June 7 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day.

Jason Bitz, Insure Forward presented the renewal of general liability, in-land marine, and auto insurance coverage. The total amount for 2024 is \$153,119 which is an increase from \$147,292 in 2023. There is no conferment this year. A motion to renew was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Roll call vote: Bergquist, Wolsky, Morris, and Klose voted aye. Due to technical difficulties Taylor did not vote. Motion carried.

Allen Kleven presented a request to vacate a section line of section 29 in Peterson Township, to build a living snow fence. Kleven has been in contact with adjacent landowners and the township. A motion to set the public hearing for the June 4, 2024 commission meeting was made by Morris, seconded by Bergquist. Unanimous aye vote. Motion carried.

Tyler Perleberg, Tax Director, presented a request for a zoning amendment to rezone an agricultural zoning district to a residential community district for East 40 LLP to create a subdivision of 15 – 20 lots on the west side of Jay Nelson Lake. The planning and zoning committee met and made a recommendation to approve the project. Tyler Schlecht stated that the surveyors are in dispute with NDDOT about the property line of the current approach. A motion to rezone the property from agricultural to residential was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Roll call vote: Wolsky, Morris, Taylor, Klose, and Bergquist voted aye. Motion carried.

Perleberg also informed the commission that the equalization meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on June 4, 2024.

Jim Wentland, Road Superintendent, requested approval to purchase a welder. The current welder is approximately 20 years old. He does have \$10,000 for the purchase in his capital budget. The old welder will either be used as a trade in or taken to auction. New welders are running between \$8,000 - \$10,000. A motion to approve the purchase of the welder was made by Morris, seconded by Wolsky. Roll call vote: Morris, Taylor, Klose, Bergquist, and Wolsky vote aye. Motion carried.

At 9:18 Taylor exited the meeting.

Andrew Kirking, Emergency Manager presented a communications site lease agreement request with MDU for their fleet net in the amount of \$500 per month. The request is to lease space for 2 antennas on the current tower.

At 9:19 Taylor rejoined the meeting.

Bergquist suggested removal of the old cinder block building so MDU could put their building closer to the tower. A motion to enter into agreement with MDU was made by Bergquist, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote: Taylor, Klose, Bergquist, Wolsky, and Morris voted aye. Motion carried.

At 9:25 a.m., the Commission recessed for the County Park Board meeting.

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At 9:25 a.m., Chairman Klose called the regular meeting of the Stutsman County Park Board to order. Jerry Bergquist, Chad Wolsky (via telephone), Levi Taylor (via telephone), Mark Klose, Joan Morris, and Merri Mooridian (via telephone) answered the roll call. Henry Steinberger was absent.

A preapproval letter was received from ND Parks & Recreation for the recreation trail grant project. Morris would like to table the item until outside funding is secured for the remaining portion to ensure that the park board is not liable for all remaining funds. Karl Bergh, Park Superintendent, informed the board that the letter that was received listed the total amount awarded for the project was \$182,000.

Bergh presented a continued discussion on weed control for park board land. The weed board would continue to pay \$7,000 per year for office rent and will continue to spray the parks and additional lands and would bill the park board not to exceed \$7,000 for the 2024 year and send a detailed billing to the park board. The weed board would also waive any previous billings issued to the park board. Bergh and his crew will still be able to spray when the immediate need arises. A motion to approval the proposal as presented from the weed board was made by Bergquist, seconded by Mooridian. Roll call vote: Klose, Mooridian, Bergquist, Wolsky, Morris, and Taylor voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the mid-month park bills was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Roll call vote: Mooridian, Bergquist, Wolsky, Morris, Taylor, and Klose voted aye. Motion carried.

	County Park Fund	
15728	ARNESON INC	\$91.50
15810	TRAUT WELLS	\$527.70

Taylor requested an update on the replacement of the broken slide at the reservoir. Bergh stated the price did not change and is still at \$14,000. Bergquist suggested the discussion first go through the park portfolio and a recommendation be brought back to the park board. Wolsky suggested getting a price on a new slide since the existing slide is so old.

At 9:45 a.m. a motion to adjourn the park board meeting was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Unanimous aye vote. Motion carried.

At 9:46 a.m. the Commission was called back to order.

Klose informed the board that he received a spam email from someone claiming to be Wolsky, and wanted to give the board a heads up that those types of emails are circulating.

A motion to approve the mid-month bills and taxable meals was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Roll call vote: Bergquist, Wolsky, Morris, Taylor, and Klose voted aye. Motion carried.

	General Revenue Fund		15757	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	\$4,878.49
15729	ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE-1250	\$2,830.00		County Roads Fund	
15735	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	\$384.16	15731	BORDER STATES PAVING INC	\$8,430.36
15736	CENTURYLINK	\$1,482.12	15733	BUFFALO CITY DIESEL	\$735.46
15737	CHS CREDIT CARD DEPT	\$182.89	15739	CLEVELAND CITY WATER & SEWER	\$115.00
15738	CITY OF FARGO	\$300.00	15743	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	\$175.02
15740	COLE PAPERS INC	\$281.97	15750	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX	\$23.56
15741	CREATIVE ENERGY	\$93.74	15822	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX	\$3,303.56
15742	DACOTAH PAPER CO	\$143.50	15751	FARMERS UNION OIL COMPANY - PETTIBONE	\$75.00
15744	DORR, TIFFANY	\$23.00	15755	HIGH PLAINS WATER	\$35.00
15746	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	\$1,737.87	15763	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$530.28
15752	GUTTORMSON, ROBERT	\$210.00	15766	KOTACO	\$2,255.40
15753	HARDY, ANDREW	\$24.00		KRAMLICH MICHAEL	\$229.14
15754	HEARTLAND HEATING & COOLING	\$1,164.62		KRAMLICH, MYRON	\$166.16
15756	HUFSTETLER, COLE	\$24.00	15768	LARRY'S AUTO GLASS	\$127.76
15757	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	\$1,068.30	15773	MDU	\$404.68
15759	JAMES VALLEY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER	\$286.58	15774	MEDINA CITY AUDITOR	\$77.75
15760	JAMESTOWN CITY BALER	\$38.00	15775	MENARDS - JAMESTOWN	\$219.11
15761	JAMESTOWN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	\$5.00	15779	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$474.15
15762	JENSEN, RICHARD	\$105.00	15784	NORTHDALE OIL INC.	\$20,880.00
15764	KALOUSTIAN, GREGORY	\$16.00	15785	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$140.00
	KIRKING, ANDREW	\$134.00	15786	NORTHWEST TIRE INC.	\$26.45
	KIRKING, ANDREW	\$16.75	15788	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$914.90
15767	KRUEGER, NANCY	\$8.25	15798	SANFORD HEALTH OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE	\$365.00
15771	MARQUART, ANDREW S	\$288.00	15804	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR	\$46.40
15772	MATTHEW BENDER & CO. INC.	\$220.45	15805	SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CO	\$183.44
	MCGILVREY, MAUREEN	\$140.70	15809	TITAN MACHINERY	\$352.00
	MCGILVREY, MAUREEN	\$14.00		TOWE, JEREMY W	\$257.28
15778	MULLINS, WYATT	\$25.00	15814	VESTIS	\$318.55
15780	NAPA AUTO PARTS-SHERIFF	\$27.98		WANZEK, JOHN	\$155.44
15783	NOKLEBY, JEFFERY	\$15.00	15819	WEST END HIDE & FUR	\$4.80
15785	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$481.00		Weed Control Fund	
15788	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$10,514.73	15727	AGTERRA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	\$175.00
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$77.05	15734	CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT	\$51.91
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$22.78	15748	F/S MANUFACTURING	\$939.00
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$29.48	15776	MENARDS - JAMESTOWN WEED	\$48.16
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$27.47	15781	NAPA AUTO PARTS-WEED	\$25.98
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$6.70	15786	NORTHWEST TIRE INC.	\$891.10
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$56.95	15793	R & B MOTORSPORTS	\$149.99
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$23.45	15797	RM STOUTT INC	\$2,095.06
	PERLEBERG, TYLER	\$102.51	15816	WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIPMENT CO	\$443.24
15789	PIT STOP EXPRESS LUBE	\$127.98		Veterans Service Fund	
15790	PRECISION DYNAMICS CORPORATION	\$1,703.43		BRATTON, DAVID G	\$245.28
15791	PREFERRED TRANSMISSION INC.	\$248.39	15736	CENTURYLINK	\$16.15
15796	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY INC	\$17.19		County Agent Fund	
15799	SC CORRECTIONS	\$1,566.75	15743	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	\$300.99
	SCHAFER, RILEY	\$26.80	15758	INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS, LLC	\$163.33
	SCHAFER, DIANNE	\$60.00	15765	KINZLER, DON	\$192.00
15800	SIMONSEN, JOSHUA	\$20.00	15769	LEAF	\$142.65
15806	THOMSON REUTERS	\$480.01	15770	LILLEJORD, CONNIE	\$59.09
15807	THRIFTY DRUG-WHITE DRUG	\$177.69	15823	NORTH DAKOTA FARMERS UNION	\$400.00
15808	TIME CLOCK PLUS	\$3,402.00	15794	RADISSON INN BISMARCK	\$99.80
15812	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	\$203.00	15795	RECYCLING CENTER OF NORTH DAKOTA, LLC	\$17.00
15815	VOGAL, ADAM	\$27.00		Human Service Zone Human Service Fund Total	\$7,622.68
15817	WEGENAST, BRANDON	\$49.00		Commissary Fund	
15818	WELLS FARGO SUMMONS AND SUBPOENAS DEPT	\$33.80	15811	TURNKEY CORRECTIONS	\$63.00
15820	WILHELM CHEVROLET BUICK GMC	\$748.80		Drug Program Fund Total	\$215.91
15821	WISCHNAK, SAMUEL	\$85.00		Road & Bridge Building Fund	
	E 911 Phone System Fund		15779	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$974.99
15743	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	\$219.12			

Alonge received a petition for annexation from a couple of landowners from the Jamestown Public School district to annex into the Barnes County North school district. She is looking for approval to start the process of appointing a committee. A motion to allow Alonge to proceed with board organization was made by Bergquist, seconded by Morris. Unanimous aye vote. Motion carried.

At 9:51 a.m. a motion to adjourn the commission meeting was made by Morris, seconded by Bergquist. Unanimous aye vote. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jessica Alonge
Auditor/COO

Mark T. Klose
Commission Chairman