Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission— June 17, 2025

At 8:30 a.m., Chairman Taylor called the regular meeting of the Stutsman County Park Board to order. Ben Tompkins, Mike Hansen, Amanda Hastings, Chad Wolsky, Levi Taylor, Merri Mooridian, and Henry Steinberger answered roll.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Steinberger, seconded by Mooridian. Motion carried.

Jessica Alonge, Auditor/COO, presented an update on the playground project. Installation is scheduled to be a 2-day supervised install with 8 volunteers per day needed. Alonge requested that non-park department county employees be allowed to volunteer for the project outside their normal work duties. A motion to authorize county employees to volunteer away from their regular roles and still be paid regular wages was made by Mooridian, seconded by Hansen. Roll call vote: Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, Mooridian, and Stienberger voted aye. Motion carried.

Karl Bergh, Project Manager, presented an update on the walking path near the reservoir. Bergh stated that Border States is ready to start construction but were delayed due to rain. The road between the path and the Farmers Union camp will be closed due to the construction and large equipment being used.

Levi Taylor, Commission Chairman, presented the continued discussion on the WBI Energy request to access park board land. Taylor stated that the letter he received from the Bureau of Reclamation stated that Stutsman County can give authority to access the park board land on the proposed route, which was recommended by the Park Portfolio. A motion was made by Hastings to allow the survey within a year, seconded by Tompkins. Roll call vote: Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, Mooridian, Stienberger, and Tompkins voted aye. Motion carried.

Lucas Dockter, Hondo's Hideaway, requested permission to host the Aberdeen Aqua Water Show from 12-3 on June 29, 2025. Dockter requested to close boat access during the water show. A motion to approve the water show was made by Hastings, seconded by Wolsky. Motion carried.

Dockter requested permission to organize a temporary refreshment stand with possible alcohol sale for the event outside the area of normal operation. A motion to approve the stand was made by Wolsky, seconded by Tompkins. Motion carried.

Dockter requested approval to host a Fourth of July boat parade including the distribution of cash prizes. Dockter stated that Game and Fish has also been contacted for approval. A motion to approve the event was made by Mooridian seconded by Stienberger. Motion carried.

Henry Steinberger, Park Board Member, presented an update on the Water Trail Project. Steinberger presented a request to purchase tables from The Fagenstrom Co. for $21,900. A motion to place the order with 50% down at $10,950 was made by Mooridian, seconded by

Hansen. Roll call vote: Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, Mooridian, Steinberger, Tompkins, and Hansen voted aye. Motion carried.

Steinberger presented quotes for the proposed Skidsteer purchase. The Park Portfolio recommended going with the CAT estimate, including accessories, from Bulter Machinery, for $87,531.11 total, and $76,631.11 after trade-in, plus an additional $1,000 for five year's coverage on a rental in the event of a breakdown. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Tompkins and seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote: Wolsky, Taylor, Mooridian, Stienberger, Tompkins, Hansen, and Hastings voted aye. Motion carried.

Steinberger requested to purchase the 5 water trail docks including the kayak launches for a total of $109,344 including delivery and installation. Mooridian questioned if the installation rate would remain the same if docks were not installed until next year. Stienberger stated that the price would remain and that there is an option to only install two of the docks this year and have the other three built over the winter and installed next year. A motion to order the two docks and have the others built over the winter to be installed in the spring was made by Hastings, seconded by Tompkins. Roll call vote: Taylor, Mooridian, Steinberger, Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, and Wolsky voted aye. Motion carried.

Dylan Kleinjan, Park Superintendent, presented a Park Department report. Kleinjan stated that there has been an increase in mowing efforts this season and that the Toro mower is currently non-operational but is being repaired under warranty. Kleinjan reported that fish cleaning stations are waiting on electricians before bringing stations out for installation.

Kleinjan presented a discussion around adding sand to the south portion of the beach but will need a 404 to repair the area before doing any work. Kleinjan stated that the area is mostly shale that washes out. Kleinjan stated that the beach is dragged every Friday, but once the new skidsteer with tracks is delivered they'll be able to maintain multiple times per week. Alonge stated that there is not a sand budget, but a beach repair budget. Dockter stated that if there are funds available, he would be willing to use some of that for the cost of adding sand. A motion to spend up to $7,500 of the available funds to add sand was made by Mooridian, seconded by Hastings. Roll call vote: Mooridian, Stienberger, Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, and Taylor voted aye. Motion carried.

Kleinjan presented an update on the Ypsilanti Park conditions and a request to close the road until the board can decide how to repair it. Kleinjan stated that the vault toilet is being constantly vandalized and questioned whether to close the vault toilet or get rid of it completely. Taylor proposed closing the road for now and bring the road and toilet issues to the Park Portfolio for recommendation at a future Park Board meeting.

A motion to approve the mid monthly bills was made by Hastings, seconded by Mooridian. Roll call vote: Stienberger, Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, and Mooridian voted aye. Motion carried.

	County Park Fund	
18494	BUILDING PROFESSIONALS LLC	$ 550.00
18505	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	$ 69.90
18506	DAKOTA RENTAL CENTER LLC	$ 49.22
18507	DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	$ 9.00
18541	LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT	$ 75.93
18554	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	$ 430.82

At 9:23 a.m. a motion to adjourn the park board meeting was made by Hastings, seconded by Hansen.

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At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Taylor called the regular meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Ben Tompkins, Mike Hansen, Amanda Hastings, Chad Wolsky, and Levi Taylor answered the roll call.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Hansen seconded by Wolsky. Motion carried.

Jessica Alonge, Auditor/COO, presented the public hearing on petition for withdrawal from the Rural Fire District regarding parcel 63-9980130 effective January 1, 2026. There was no public testimony. Alonge requested that the board approve the petition to withdraw from rural fire district and issue an order. A motion to withdraw from the rural fire district effective January 1, 2025 was made by Hastings, seconded by Hansen. Roll call vote: Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, and Taylor voted aye. Motion carried.

During the 2025 legislative update, House Bill 1176 was discussed. Alonge also stated that the State's Attorneys Association has been working with State's Attorneys regarding Senate Bill 2180 which requires public comment portions in public meetings and that Fritz Fremgen, State's Attorney, is currently working on something to present to the board.

During the County Commission committee and board updates Taylor presented an update on JSDC and Central Valley boards and Hastings presented an update on the Library Board.

Joe Rector, James River Valley Library System Director, presented the Annual Report. Rector presented 2024 statistics in comparison to 2023 statistics and stated that there have been increases in cardholders, library visits, bookmobile visits, programs, and physical, bookmobile, and e-material checkouts.

Micheal Gunsch, Houston Engineering, presented an update on the Crystal Springs Watershed Initiative project.

Gunsch requested approval of the payment invoice in the amount of $50,550.75. A motion to pay the invoice was made by Hansen, seconded by Tompkins. Roll call vote: Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, and Tompkins voted aye. Motion carried.

Gunsch requested approval to send a letter of approval for cost share reimbursement from Stutsman County to ND Department of Water Resources. A motion to send the letter was made by Hastings, seconded by Wolsky. Roll call vote: Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, Tompkins, and Hansen voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the State Water Commission Cost Share Agreement for Expanded Services contingent on mirroring the previous agreement not to exceed the previous cost share was made by Hastings, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote: Wolsky, Taylor, Tompkins, Hansen, and Hastings voted aye. Motion carried.

Mark Attleson, Maintenance Supervisor, presented two bids from Lux Concrete at $126,331.30 and McGrudder Construction at $160,654.00 for the repair of the Courthouse south parking lot. This project has not been budgeted for; Hansen suggested a patch with gravel for now and budget for repair next year.

Jessica Moser, Emergency Manager, presented the Floodplain Management Addendum to the Stutsman County Zoning Ordinance. A motion to sign and approve the ordinance was made by Hastings, seconded by Hansen. Roll call vote: Taylor, Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, and Wolsky voted aye. Motion carried.

Jesse Christianson, Highway Superintendent, presented a request to update the road policy to include LoadPass regarding special moving permits for vehicles of excessive size and weight, to no longer include private sales for gravel, and to state that small cities and townships are the second priority in the order that they are requested. A motion to update the road policy was made by Wolsky, seconded by Tompkins. Roll call vote: Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, and Taylor voted aye. Motion carried.

Christianson presented the Township and County percentage agreement for LoadPass. There was discussion including Woodbury Township officers, Duane Anderson & Richard Klose, regarding what type of percentage could be implemented and what type of administrative load there would be for the county. A motion to approve a 10% fee to townships who opt in to the program was made by Wolsky, seconded by Hansen. Roll call vote: Hansen, Hastings, Wolsky, and Tompkins voted aye. Taylor voted nay. Motion carried.

Christianson requested to award the bid to Guthmiller Earthmoving for the grade raise north of Cleveland for $1,602,933.91. A motion to award the bid to Guthmiller Earthmoving was made by Hansen, seconded by Tompkins. Roll call vote: Hastings, Wolsky, Taylor, Tompkins, and Hansen voted aye. Motion carried.

Alonge requested to change signing authority for credit card accounts to add Susan Koropatnicki, Treasurer/Recorder. A motion to authorize Koropatnicki signing authority for credit card accounts was made by Hastings, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote: Wolsky, Taylor, Tompkins, Hansen, and Hastings voted aye. Motion carried.

Alonge presented a discussion on a public nuisance at 3450 82nd Ave SE. Alonge stated that since 2018 Central Valley Health, the Sheriff's Department, and the Fire Department have been

involved with the health hazard concerns on this property. On May 10, 2025 there was a structure fire with multiple spot grass fires burning out of control around the home which endangered neighboring properties. Costs associated with the cleanup of this property have been accrued through the Road Department.

Alonge presented a reminder for NDCCA Standing committees which appoints County Commissioners to serve on various committees.

Alonge presented the 2026 budget discussion. Preliminary budget work has started. Agency & Levy Request letters will be sent with a notice that funding for agencies may be considered but are not guaranteed.

A motion to approve PHAntom Pyroshack, LLC and Gundy's Fireworks firework applications was made by Hastings second by Tompkins. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the mid-month bills was made by Hastings, seconded by Hansen. Roll call vote: Taylor, Tompkins, Hansen, Hastings, and Wolsky voted aye. Motion carried.

	General Revenue Fund				
18487	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	$ 360.83	18516	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX	$ 2,585.90
18489	APPLICANTPRO HOLDINGS, LLC	$ 486.00		HARRINGTON, LEVI	$ 155.40
18497	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	$ 327.15	18522	HIGH COUNTRY AGRICULTURAL MARKETING INC	$ 758.34
18498	CENTURYLINK	$ 1,298.12	18523	HIGH PLAINS WATER	$ 60.10
18502	COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS	$ 41,570.50	18527	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	$ 270.45
18504	DACOTAH PAPER CO	$ 674.72	18529	INTERSTATE ENGINEERING	$ 46,606.54
18508	DALSTED & RYAN P C	$ 250.00	18533	KOTACO	$ 2,020.04
18511	DR DAWN'S PET STOP LLC	$ 162.33		KRAMLICH MICHAEL	$ 102.20
18513	EDDY FUNERAL HOME	$ 350.00		KRAMLICH, MYRON	$ 95.90
18514	EKREN,JAMES	$ 253.70	18537	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	$ 504.20
18518	GIENGER,DAVID	$ 258.98	18542	MAC'S INC	$ 118.99
18520	GROUNDS,KAYLA	$ 25.00	18544	MDU	$ 254.19
18521	GUN & REEL SPORTS INC	$ 5,492.93	18545	MENARDS - JAMESTOWN	$ 201.64
18524	HIGH POINT NETWORKS	$ 75.00	18546	MIELKE OIL COMPANY, INC.	$ 3,274.50
18525	HILLERUD CONSTRUCTION	$ 599.38	18547	NAPA AUTO PARTS	$ 231.51
18527	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	$ 1,359.45	18552	NEWMAN SIGNS	$ 209.45
18528	INSURE FORWARD	$ 2,184.00	18554	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	$ 84.00
18531	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC	$ 281.50	18557	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	$ 716.40
18532	JETSTREAM CAR WASH	$ 696.59	18567	RUNNINGS	$ 17.98
	KAISER,CHAD	$ 45.00	18573	SNS AUTOSUPPLY	$ 258.00
18534	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	$ 75.43		SNYDER, ANDREW	$ 50.40
18535	LAUGHING BEAR INC	$ 4,028.35		STREETER CITY AUDITOR - DD	$ 103.75
18536	LAWN TECH OUTDOOR SERVICES	$ 300.35	18577	SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CO	$ 3,195.20
18540	LEXIPOL LLC	$ 2,561.68	18580	TITAN MACHINERY	$ 711.75
18543	MARQUART,ANDREW S	$ 1,368.00		TOWE, JEREMY W	$ 94.50
18544	MDU	$ 145.24	18581	TRUE NORTH STEEL	$ 3,936.00
18549	ND SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION	$ 200.00	18586	VESTIS	$ 303.57
18550	NDCHCA	$ 100.00		WANZEK, JOHN	$ 44.88
18551	NETCENTER TECHNOLOGIES	$ 2,592.95	18589	WEST END HIDE & FUR	$ 20.03
18554	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	$ 207.00		**Unorganized Township Roads Fund**	
18556	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	$ 6,950.00	18575	STUTSMAN CO ROAD DEPT	$ 3,127.50
18557	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	$ 11,003.37		**Emergency Fund**	
18558	PHARMCHEM INC	$ 639.00	18530	JAMESTOWN CITY BALER	$ 1,082.52
			18575	STUTSMAN CO ROAD DEPT	$ 780.00

18559	PHOENIX SUPPLY	$ 712.50		**Weed Control Fund**	
18561	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC. - AUD	$ 3,000.00	18488	AGTERRA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	$ 3,298.00
18566	RM STOUDT INC	$ 79.48	18501	COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	$ 110.20
18568	SANFORD HEALTH OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE	$ 96.00	18505	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	$ 56.01
18569	SANFORD.	$ 4,129.67	18567	RUNNINGS	$ 91.36
18570	SC CORRECTIONS	$ 1,709.75	18575	STUTSMAN CO ROAD DEPT	$ 68.08
	SCHAFFER,DIANNE	$ 60.00		**Veterans Service Fund**	
18571	SCHERBENSKE INC.	$ 103.79		BRATTON,DAVID G	$ 190.40
18572	SKRAMSTAD, RONDA	$ 20.00	18498	CENTURYLINK	$ 24.30
18574	STRYKER SALES, LLC	$ 510.00		**County Agent Fund**	
18576	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	$ 12,034.10	18504	DACOTAH PAPER CO	$ 466.29
18578	THOMSON REUTERS	$ 504.01	18505	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	$ 310.53
18579	THRIFTY DRUG-WHITE DRUG	$ 17.55	18512	ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION DIV	$ 136.84
18583	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	$ 240.00	18526	HUGO'S 9	$ 72.73
18588	WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL JUVENILE CENTER	$ 750.00	18538	LEAF	$ 142.65
18590	WIDMER ROEL PC	$ 2,500.00	18565	RECYCLING CENTER OF NORTH DAKOTA, LLC	$ 18.00
	Vision Zero Coordinator			**Human Service Zone Human Service Fund**	$54,116.58
	CARLBLOM, JOSEPH	$ 58.00		**Commissary Fund**	
18583	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	$ (44.50)	18517	FORUM COMMUNICATIONS CO	$ 310.69
	E 911 Phone System Fund		18582	TURNKEY CORRECTIONS	$ 181.15
18487	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	$ 379.19		**Drug Program Fund Total**	$676.22
18505	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	$ 219.17		**Courthouse Building Fund**	
18527	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	$ 5,003.49	18519	GOLDADE FLOORING	$11,956.99
	County Roads Fund			**Capital Project Fund**	
18491	BORDER STATES PAVING INC	$469,421.77		HOUSTON ENGINEERING, INC.	$50,550.75
18493	BUFFALO CITY DIESEL	$ 6.05		**Information Technology Capital Fund**	
18495	BUTLER MACHINERY CO	$ 305.46	18524	HIGH POINT NETWORKS	$ 690.63
18499	CLEVELAND CITY WATER & SEWER	$ 115.00		**Road & Bridge Building Fund**	
18500	CNH INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNTS	$ 15,873.82	18531	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC	$32,739.20
18503	CREATIVE ENERGY	$ 2,329.14		**County Sheriff Capital Fund**	
18505	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	$ 129.20	18555	NORTHERN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY INC	$ 1,887.89
18509	DAN POLAND MACHINE INC	$ 95.50		**Weed Board Capital Improvement Fund**	
18510	DMC WEAR PARTS LLC	$ 493.52	18490	BERT'S TRUCK EQUIPMENT	$11,130.00
18515	FACTORY MOTOR PARTS CO	$ 110.00	18587	WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIPMENT CO	$ 709.25

At 11:31 a.m., a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Hastings, seconded by Tompkins. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jessica Alonge
Auditor/COO

Levi Taylor
Commission Chairman