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**REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ROLETTE COUNTY**

The board convened at 9:00 A.M on September 3, 2019 with members LaRocque, Albert, and Moors present. Member Poitra absent. Chairman Boucher presiding. Brian Grosinger, State's Attorney and Jon Rosinski, Turtle Mountain Star also present.

Nathan Gustafson, Sheriff, Ducky LaRocque and Rodney Phelps, St. John City, and Paul Frydenlund, St. John Public School appeared before the board at this time. Paul Frydenlund stated that the St. John School has been looking for ways to protect the school and after researching options for a School Resource Officer, reached an agreement, in July with Sheriff Gustafson for a School Resource Officer. Mr. Frydenlund stated the school wanted to stay out of the St. John City and County Commission politics and the agreement is that the school will pay \$2000 for resource office paid to the County Sheriff, for approximately 20 hours/week for security, which began September 1st of this year. Questions were raised if this had anything to do the with St. John City contract, and if it affects the Agreement for policing between the City and County. It was the intention of the Sheriff and St. John City to have the hours worked at the school be part of the contracted hours for the City of St. John, and likewise would reduce the cities payments for a full-time officer. After much discussion, motion by Albert, seconded by LaRocque to amend the Police Contract with the City of St. John and Rolette County to include school agreement for resource officer for 20 hours/week of the full-time officer in St. John, and with the School paying \$2000 towards the contract amount and the City paying the remainder on a monthly basis. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

The board then discussed other law enforcement issues with the Sheriff.

Motion by Albert. Seconded by Moors to approve Asset Forfeiture policy on file in the Auditor's Office with State's Attorney, Auditor and Sheriff making up an Asset Forfeiture Committee with authority to grant requests not to exceed \$2500, and requests that exceed that amount will be brought to the County Commission for board approval. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Pat Hemmy appeared before the board at this time regarding Rolette County VFW. Pat explained that he is the acting Commander and would like to have the Rolette County VFW in Rolla, the County Seat, not Belcourt. Pat requested start-up funds of \$1500-\$2000 for caps, uniforms, weapons, and office and meeting space. Mr. Hemmy would like to start a Color Guard for the County VFW. The Rolette County VFW will meet at the Legion Cabin in Rolla for the time being. The board took no action.

The board discussed Home Rule Charter at this time. Motion by Albert, seconded by Moors, to establish a Home Rule Charter Commission which will consist of 7 members, and which would meet and bring back to the County Commission a proposed Home Rule Charter. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Moors, seconded by Albert to appoint Alex Albert, Henry LaRocque and Valerie McCloud to serve on the Home Rule Charter Commission and authorize them to recruit other members to make up the 7 member commission. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by LaRocque, seconded by Albert to approve the Minutes from the July meetings. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

The board then discussed county issues and live streaming of meetings posted on Social Media. Brian Grosinger, State's Attorney stated that the Board can regulate government accounts but it is harder to regulate personal accounts, although they have to comply with any county policies on the issue. The board discussed looking into other options for video of meetings. No action taken.

Eldon Moors gave an update on the Road Committee, there is gravel crushing in place in the Evans and Foss Pits, and employees hauling gravel should be done shortly.

Alex Albert and Merle Boucher, Social Service Committee will be meeting in Devils Lake for Human Service Zone redesign next week.

Eldon Moors and Henry LaRocque gave a report on the Rolette County Housing Board. Ramsey County Housing Authority is taking over administration for now. Discussion on replacement for Emery Mears on the board. The board took no action.

Alex Albert informed the board that the BIA inmates have averaged 10-13/day for the Jail Committee report.

Eldon Moors, Sr. reported for the Building Committee that they would take the fencing down at the old jail when the road crew is available.

Motion by Moors, seconded by LaRocque to accept application and fees from Rolette Country Club for an extension for November and December for the seasonal liquor license. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Albert, seconded by LaRocque to call for bids for the 3 Terex up for bids. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

On motion and unanimously approved, the following reports and statement of fees were received and filed: Sheriff, \$138,866.92; Recorder \$2077.50, Recorder Preservation Fees, \$1898.80; Recorder, State fees, \$105 and Treasurer's Total Collections, \$263,020.51 and Auditor's Total Payments, \$799,305.49.

On motion and unanimously approved, the Social Service bills amounting to \$127,352.78 for administration and county poor programs and the following county bills be allowed and ordered paid:

CHECK #	DATE	VENDOR	AMOUNT
D 700641	09/04/2019	ND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT	37915.44
D 700642	09/17/2019	COMMERCIAL CARD SOLUTIONS	19074.48
D 700644	09/17/2019	NEOPOST	1631.90
D 700648	09/27/2019	ND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT	39031.80
G 50991	09/04/2019	ADVANCED GRAPHIX INC	328.00
G 50992	09/04/2019	AFLAC	1867.49
G 50993	09/04/2019	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	1311.70
G 50994	09/04/2019	MASON ARVIDSON	1100.00
G 50995	09/04/2019	WENDY BELGARDE	351.20
G 50996	09/04/2019	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INS	813.58
G 50997	09/04/2019	COLE PAPERS INC	431.41
G 50998	09/04/2019	COMPUTER SOLUTIONS INC DBA SIG	300.00
G 50999	09/04/2019	COMPUTERS N STUFF	125.00
G 51000	09/04/2019	DACOTAH BANK	21170.37
G 51001	09/04/2019	DAVIS TRUCK AND CAR WASH	318.66

G	51002	09/04/2019	GALLS LLC	50.00
G	51003	09/04/2019	GREATWEST LIFE AND ANNUITY	100.00
G	51004	09/04/2019	GUARDIAN FLEET SAFETY	6916.66
G	51005	09/04/2019	JOE KAUFMAN	700.00
G	51006	09/04/2019	KITTLESONS TRUCK REPAIR	723.00
G	51007	09/04/2019	HENRY LAROCQUE	61.70
G	51008	09/04/2019	TOM MCCLOUD	1850.00
G	51009	09/04/2019	MEDICO LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE	385.75
G	51010	09/04/2019	MIDSTATES WIRELESS	602.43
G	51011	09/04/2019	MIKKELSEN AGGREGATES LLC	552.00
G	51012	09/04/2019	MUNRO ACE HARDWARE	9.99
G	51013	09/04/2019	NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	7255.94
G	51014	09/04/2019	ND SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION	200.00
G	51015	09/04/2019	NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE CO	258.12
G	51016	09/04/2019	NODAK STORE INC	31.75
G	51017	09/04/2019	NORTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC COOP	101.00
G	51018	09/04/2019	OFFICE DEPOT	175.89
G	51019	09/04/2019	OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	9500.00
G	51020	09/04/2019	OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY	1186.21
G	51021	09/04/2019	PIERCE COUNTY TRIBUNE	48.00
G	51022	09/04/2019	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY	79.95
G	51023	09/04/2019	MITCHELL SLATER	17.50
G	51024	09/04/2019	MICHAEL STEWART	39.55
G	51025	09/04/2019	SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA	2136.20
G	51026	09/04/2019	TM STAR	266.06
G	51027	09/04/2019	TM COMMUNICATIONS	1735.83
G	51028	09/04/2019	TM COMMUNICATIONS	1076.49
G	51029	09/04/2019	VERIZON WIRELESS	0.40
G	51030	09/04/2019	WOLD ENGINEERING PC	5458.75
G	51031	09/05/2019	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	11.50
G	51032	09/05/2019	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	915.14
G	51033	09/05/2019	NELSON AUTO CENTER	35092.00
G	51035	09/17/2019	CENEX FLEETCARD	646.84
G	51036	09/17/2019	CITY OF ROLLA	327.95
G	51037	09/17/2019	CITY OF ROLLA	561.76
G	51038	09/17/2019	CITY OF ST JOHN	87.00
G	51039	09/17/2019	COLE PAPERS INC	697.99
G	51040	09/17/2019	COMMUNITY AMBULANCE OF ROLLA	100.00
G	51041	09/17/2019	DALES CASH SUPPLY	3142.55
G	51042	09/17/2019	DALES CASH SUPPLY	144.81
G	51043	09/17/2019	DARWINS TOWING	250.00
G	51044	09/17/2019	GALLS LLC	25.00
G	51045	09/17/2019	GUARDIAN FLEET SAFETY	97.76
G	51046	09/17/2019	HAAS TIRE	228.00
G	51047	09/17/2019	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	3918.24
G	51048	09/17/2019	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	1550.00
G	51049	09/17/2019	J AND M SERVICE STATION	182.67
G	51050	09/17/2019	JOC INC	3518.27
G	51051	09/17/2019	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	30.00
G	51052	09/17/2019	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC	1571.35
G	51053	09/17/2019	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC	306.31
G	51054	09/17/2019	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC	261.07
G	51055	09/17/2019	ANDREW S MARQUART	198.00
G	51056	09/17/2019	MEARS IMPLEMENT	789.95
G	51057	09/17/2019	MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS	61.47
G	51058	09/17/2019	MUNRO ACE HARDWARE	9.59
G	51059	09/17/2019	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOP	287.00
G	51060	09/17/2019	OFFICE DEPOT	29.42
G	51061	09/17/2019	OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL	1430.00
G	51062	09/17/2019	OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	9250.00
G	51063	09/17/2019	OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY	3743.16
G	51064	09/17/2019	PHARMCHEM INC	114.20
G	51065	09/17/2019	TODD POITRA	104.40
G	51066	09/17/2019	POSTMASTER	120.00
G	51067	09/17/2019	PRESENTATION MEDICAL CENTER	403.00
G	51068	09/17/2019	PRIDE DAIRY	328.16
G	51069	09/17/2019	ROLLA DRUG INC	29.99
G	51070	09/17/2019	ROLLA OIL	2545.18
G	51071	09/17/2019	THE SIDWELL COMPANY	137.50
G	51072	09/17/2019	SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA	3414.79
G	51073	09/17/2019	TURTLE MTN PUBLIC	20.50
G	51074	09/17/2019	TOWN AND COUNTRY TESORO	67.75
G	51075	09/17/2019	TRI CARE HOME HEALTH	1250.00
G	51076	09/17/2019	TUOMALA PLUMBING AND HEATING	104.40
G	51077	09/17/2019	TWEED COUNTRY AG	83.11
G	51078	09/17/2019	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	201.60
G	51079	09/17/2019	VERIZON WIRELESS	167.55
			ROAD DEPARTMENT AUG PAYROLL	36,560.62
			SOCIAL WELFARE AUG PAYROLL	103,699.57

TOTAL

\$ 530,780.60

On motion and unanimously approved, the board then adjourned to September 17, 2019.

September 17, 2019

The board convened at 9:00 A.M. September 17, 2019 with members LaRocque, Albert, Moors and Poitra. Member Boucher presiding. Alivia Poitra present, recording meeting.

The board held a Public Hearing at this time in regards to 2020 Budget. No one appeared in support or against the 2020 Preliminary Budget. Rodney Phelps, St. John City Mayor appeared before the board regarding concern with St. John City mill levy which was submitted with the reduced tax request for the General Fund from last years tax. Auditor McCloud explained the process to Mr. Phelps and that notice was provided to the St. John City Auditor regarding last years mill levy and taxes and also this 2019 taxes and mill levies. The board explained that the City Council and Auditor were responsible for setting budget and taxes levied, not the County Commission or County Auditor.

Motion by Albert, seconded by Poitra to allow transfer of sick leave for Ann Millerbernd in the amount of 104 hours from Renville County. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by LaRocque, seconded by Albert to sell 2013 Ford Taurus Police Interceptor by auction. On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Eldon Moors and Henry LaRocque gave a report on the Housing Authority. Motion by LaRocque, seconded by Poitra to appoint Becky Leonard to unexpired term on the Rolette County Housing Authority. On roll call vote, members Albert, Poitra, Boucher, and LaRocque voted "AYE". Member Moors voted "NAY". Motion carried. Motion by Poitra, seconded by Albert to accept resignation of Eldon Moors from the Housing Authority board, effective immediately. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Moors, seconded by Albert to appoint Craig Poitra to Rolette County Housing Authority Board for an unexpired term of Eldon Moors, effective immediately. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Alex Albert have a report of the Law Enforcement Committee activity since the last meeting.

Alex Albert gave a report of the Public Health Board. Discussion on contract with Lake Region for Environmental Health and whether the county should look at a local position and permits for sewer and sanitation in Environmental Health. The board took no action.

Motion by Albert, seconded by LaRocque to approve paying dues for Northern Plains RC&D Council for \$300. On roll call vote, members Albert, Poitra, Boucher, and LaRocque voted "AYE". Member Moors voted "NAY". Motion carried.

Motion by Albert, seconded by Poitra to publish weed cutting notice. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Brad Robertson and Kent Indvik, Wold Engineering met with the board at this time to discuss future projects for Prairie Dog Funds. Also discussed was sliver widening for County Road 6

from St. John south to junction of Hwy 30, which will be bid next spring. The board took no action.

Motion by LaRocque, seconded by Poitra to approve Sheriff's Overtime in the following amounts, \$123.72 for Leland Morin, \$332.10 for Gordon Chapman, and \$101.66 for Brock Charette. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Wendy Belgarde, Tax Director met with the board at this time with several applications for abatement of taxes received from Vernon Decoteau, Shannon & Kerry Azure, and Donald Hosmer. Motion by Albert, seconded by Moors to concur with the City of Dunseith recommendation to deny abatement for Shannon & Kerry Azure. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Albert, seconded by Moors to approve abatement applications for Vernon Decoteau on parcel #16217 for residential structure that was removed, decreasing valuation by 796 and Donald Hosmer on parcel #26311 & 26314 for homestead credit approval. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Farrah Azure appeared before the board at this time to request the county to improve section line to land in SE1/4SE1/4 and SW1/4SE1/4 Section 30, Ingebretson Township for access for a homesite. The improvements would be on the west end of BIA 12, extending it approximately 700'. Discussion on the road and BIA has this road and maintains it. The board requested a letter from the Tribal Roads department regarding approval, if the county were to improve access on BIA 12 section line, for the homesite. The board took no action.

Motion by Poitra, seconded by LaRocque to schedule a Public Hearing for amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Section 27 Enforcement, for October 15 at 9 AM. On roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

Eldon Moors then discussed road supervisor discrepancies between Henry LaRocque and himself and stated he would talk over the Road Supervisor himself with the County Auditor's Office as a contact if he can't be reached. Discussion on communication issues for the road supervisors. Chairman Boucher suggested that each supervisor take care of two shops. Discussion on problems with work orders, employee supervision, etc. Eldon and Henry agreed to work together towards supervision of the road department.

The board discussed the Budget Hearing on the 2020 Preliminary Budget. No one appeared in support or opposition to the 2020 budget, Commissioner Albert introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	Amount
County Board	143,093
County Auditor	165,645
County Treasurer	92,602
Recorder	136,447
State's Attorney	183,176
Tax Director	70,934
County Sheriff	69,433
Jail Maintenance	384,426
Emergency Manager	983,828
Maint of Buildings	25,000

Utilities	25,000
Janitor	22,200
Election	38,000
Annual Leave (Payoff)	20,000
Publishing	6,500
County Car	0
Social Security	140,000
Worker's Compensation	21,000
Unemployment	8,000
Liability, Bldg, Auto Insurance	92,000
County Dues	22,000
Technology Leases	15,000
Maintenance Agreements	53,000
Copier/Postage Machine	4,000
Technology Equipment Purchases	15,000
Audit Fee	21,500
Radio Communications	48,000
Coroner	5,500
Mental Health	5,000
County Park	10,000
Soc Services Indirect Costs	90,000
Misc. General	15,000
Soc. Welfare Administration (Fed-St-County)	0
General Asst-TECS-EBT Prog (County Funds)	0
Special Projects (Fed-State-Co Funds)	0
Veteran's Service Officer	23,351
Emergency Fund	180,000
County Agent Levy	50,977
Capital Trust Account/Capital Projects Levy	549,050
Consolidated Road Fund (Farm to Market)	315,000
Unorganized District Road Levy	255,100
Senior Citizen Levy	45,500
Historical Society Levy	5,500
Ambulance Fund Levy	137,000
Weed Board Fund Levy	76,800
Rolette County Water Resource Board	17,500
Rolette County Soil Conservation Levy	53,380
Municipal Airport Levy	18,000
Public Health District	93,000
Highway Tax Fund	964,720
Dunseith Contract Police	286,061
Rolette Contract Police	0
St. John Contract Police	0
911 Fund	146,830
Law Enforcement (Gaming Funds)	16,500
Hazardous Chemical	4,500
Government Grants	40,000
NSF Fund	400
Extension Service Sp. Trust	12,000
Supt Special Trust	3,000
Miscellaneous Fund	5,000
Promotion Fund	100

TOTAL REQUEST AND FINAL APPROPRIATION FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020	6,230,553
Interim Funding, Transfers & Delinquency	\$1,485,189
Estimated Revenue, Transfers & Cash Balances	\$5,262,108
TOTAL COUNTY WIDE TAX LEVY	\$2,453,634

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with the budget for January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020 for Rolette County adopted this day and filed with the County Auditor, there is levied as taxes for the calendar year 2019, the following:

County General	\$	1,281,610
Capital		213,600
Unorganized District Road		236,300
Consolidated Road Fund		201,770
County Agent		40,355
Veteran's Service Officer		25,240
Emergency		85,520
Weed Board		64,050
Senior Citizen		26,700
Ambulance		106,900
Historical Society		5,335
Municipal Airport		16,000
Water Resource Board		16,154
Soil Conservation		49,100
Health District		85,000

The above resolution was seconded by LaRocque, On roll call vote, all commissioners voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

On motion and unanimously approved, the board adjourned until October 1, 2019

Merle Boucher
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Rolette County, North Dakota

ATTEST

Valerie McCloud
Rolette County Auditor