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

# ROLETTE COUNTY DATE: 02/03/2025

The board convened at 9:00am, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, members (present) Abrahamson, Poitra, LaRocque, Zaste with Commissioner Schlenvogt presiding

Phone attendance:

Members Not Present:

Also, present: Wendy Belgarde, Sheriff Nate Gustafson, Jaime Metcalfe, Seth Demontigny

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by LaRocque, seconded by Zaste to approve the agenda as is.

On roll call vote, all members voted, "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

• Mountain Lake Human Service Board-Re-appoint Linda Gunville term expired 12/24 and Representative Jayme Davis for a term of 2 years

Motion by Poitra

Motion to accept Linda Gunville and Representative Jayme Davis for 2-year term will end 12/31/2026, Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

• Billing for Snow Removal-Public Health

Discussion: Auditor Wuori started with the topic has been tabled for 2 meetings. The last meeting Jaime Metcalfe state \$75 and thinks this is reasonable to cover costs.

Motion by Zaste

Motion to Bill \$75 dollars and hour for work completed to Public Health, Seconded by Abrahamson

On Roll call vote, Poitra "No", LaRocque "Yes", Abrahamson "Yes", Schlenvogt "Yes". Motion carried by majority.

• Water Board- 5 Board members

Discussion: County received 4 letters of interest for a seat on the Water Board Jeremy Longie, Bret McCloud, Joseph Boehm and Shawn Marcellais. Prior Board members Mark Hienz and Kurt Lagerquist were still wanting to stay on as Board members.

# Motion by Poitra

Motion to keep Mark Hienz and Kurt Lagerquist on and to add Shawn Marcellais, Brett McCloud and Jeremy Longie to a 5-year term, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

• Court Facilities Improvement Grant-Approval of the 25% contribution=\$17,500.00

Discussion: Needs approval for the county to contribute the \$17,500.00

### Motion by Poitra

Motion that the county will contribute the \$17,500.00, Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

• Abatements-Wendy Belgarde-Tax Director

Motion by Abrahamson to approve current abatements, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Road Report
- Electrical estimates for St. John Shop

# Motion Abrahamson

Motion to accept Sunrise Electrical for total of \$3959.57 with paying \$1900.00 upfront for parts, Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

Discussion: To Purchase a snow blower attachment-Henry LaRocque: Abrahamson stated they are hard to use and to get down into ditches it really does not work well. He thinks it will just get wrecked and will not really work. LaRocque agreed there was no more discussion.

Discussion: Shell Valley mowing: A letter was received by Shell Valley stating they are not paying for \$1000.00 of the billing invoice due to poorly mowed ditches back in October 2024. Abrahamson stated that it should have been brought to attention of the board right away. Poitra stated same with pictures being submitted so they can look at it. Abrahamson agreed they need to come to board with proof. Poitra stated a letter be sent asking for proof and that this should have been brought to attention back in October. Auditor will send a letter to Shell Valley.

Discussion: LaRocque stated they need to add machine rated to next meeting and wants updated shop contacts.

• 1/21/2025 Board Minutes

# Motion by LaRocque

Motion to accept meeting minutes for 1/21/2025 with corrections, Seconded by Abrahamson

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

• Bills

Discussion: LaRocque asked Sheriff on towing expense.

# Motion by Abrahamson

Motion to accept all bills to be paid, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

• Wold Engineering Plans for Rolette road work-Seth DeMontigny and Kent Indvik (by phone)

Discussion: Seth came to discuss the up coming plans for the Road project scheduled this spring. The project has a cost estimate of \$2,146,040.50 it will have a 2 in. overly on the road and during construction the road will be open to traffic. LaRocque discussed having rumble strips added. Seth stated that would add \$100,000 on to it and for a flashing stop sign would be another \$10,000. Zaste stated the tribe is looking at adding lights there so they should meet with tribe before adding on. Seth discussed the federal funds to be used and prairie dog fund and borrowing against the Federal funding for the next 2 years and the NDDOT will do paperwork.

Motion by LaRocque

Motion to borrow against federal funding for the next 2 years, seconded by Abrahamson

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

Discussion: Willow Lake Bridge Structure- It was discussed how narrow the area is and dangerous. There is no aid that would cover this so cost would be on County. It will be looked at in Spring when it is thawed out for and estimate.

Meeting adjourned.

unanimously approved by the board.

Meeting adjourned.

Allen Schlenvogt Chairman, Board of County Commissioners Rolette County, North Dakota

ATTEST

Kimberly Wuori Rolette County Auditor