RANSOM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting – September 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Steve Dick. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Steve Dick, Norm Hansen, Connie Gilbert, and Neil Olerud. George Bunn was absent.

The agenda was reviewed. Hansen moved, to approve the agenda. Seconded by Olerud. All aye. Motion carried.

The minutes from the August 20, 2019 regular commission meeting were considered. Gilbert moved, seconded by Olerud to approve minutes with corrections. All aye. Motion carried.

Manual warrants in the amount of $2753.61 were reviewed by the board. Hansen moved, to approve manual warrants. Seconded by Olerud.

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| 7/22/19 | ACH 65 | CASS COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP | $12.81 |
| 7/22/19 | ACH 66 | CASS COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP, INC | $380.04 |
| 8/05/19 | ACH 62 | GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL | $384.20 |
| 8/05/19 | ACH 74 | GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL | $297.00 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 68 | CITY OF LISBON | $71.18 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 69 | CITY OF LISBON | $165.89 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 70 | CITY OF LISBON | $148.57 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 71 | CITY OF LISBON | $29.50 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 72 | CITY OF LISBON  | $10.00 |
| 7/24/19 | ACH 61 | MARCO | $104.75 |
| 8/08/19 | ACH 64 | MARCO | $218.64 |
| 8/19/19 | ACH 73 | MARCO | $135.00 |
| 8/02/19 | ACH 67 | ND GAME & FISH | $58.00 |
| 7/25/19 | ACH 60 | SOUTHEAST WATER USERS | $48.97 |
| 8/05/19 | ACH 63 | TESORO FLEET SERVICES  | $593.21 |
| 8/12/19 | ACH 75 | TASC | $95.85 |
| Total  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL |  |  | $2753.61 |

Minutes from the social service meeting held in Milnor, ND on August 6, 2019 were reviewed. Hansen moved, seconded by Gilbert to approve the social service minutes with contingency of Richland and Sargent Counties approval.

A utility permit along with the appropriate fee was submitted by Cass County Electric

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| County Highway: 136 | Township: Preston 136N, 57W | Sections: 15 & 22 |

Olerud moved, seconded by Hansen to approve the utility permit. All aye. Motion carried.

Preliminary budget hearing was scheduled at 10:00 a.m. however due to statute code the hearing must be scheduled on or after September 7. The meeting was rescheduled for September 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Norm Hansen said he had talked to Nancy Farnham and Tammy Jacobson and both are willing to be on the social service zone board. Gilbert moved, seconded by Hansen to approve Farnham and Jacobson. All aye. Motion carried.

Indirect cost for social services were discussed. Gilbert moved that Ransom and Sargent County would pay for twenty five percent of indirect cost, and Richland County will pay fifty percent. Olerud seconded the motion. All aye. Motion carried.

Brad Wentz with NDSU Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute presented information on the geographic roadway inventory tool (GRIT) program. The program inventories all paved county roads to see how much money is going to be needed over the next twenty years. Legislature relies on these studies to determine how much money needs to be available. For counties participating in the GRIT program there will be dedicated funding from Operation Prairie Dog to help support the county roads. The program is a web application based program. It measures thickness/depth of the pavement, all road restrictions can be put on a website for easy access. Gravel roads can also be entered into the GRIT program for counties own use. NDLTAP will help train counties how to use the GRIT program if needed.

Scott Smyth with KLJ informed the board that County Road eight was complete. Smyth was asked by CSI to ask the board to reconsider reducing some of the liquidated damages due to weather conditions. The board discussed. Dick moved to charge CSI for four and a half days of liquidated damages at nine hundred dollars per day due to weather. Hansen seconded the motion. Dick called for a roll call vote, Dick, Hansen, and Gilbert were in Favor, Olerud opposed. Motion carried. Smyth said the seal coat project on the Sheldon road was being completed today, then it needs to sit for seventy two hours before fogging and striping can be completed.

Smyth presented the board with the application to the State Water Commission for both sites.

Smyth and the board discussed a few bridges in the county that will be needing work in the near future. Smyth will start working on the federal aid plan to see what kind of money will be available.

Being nothing further to come before the board, Chairman Dick adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

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Nicole Gentzkow Steve Dick, Chairman

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