

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 11, 2023 1:00 P.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present along with States Attorney Christina Wenko.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to add resignations from Treasurer Gene Skoglund and VSO/County 911 Henry Gerving under County Auditor business and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the December regular and special meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint the following annual appointments for 2023: Commissioner Farstveet to the Roosevelt Custer Board, Commissioner Smith to the Community Action Board, Commissioner Schmeling to the GVC Zoning Board, Commissioner Farstveet to the Airport Board, Commissioner Smith to the Library Board, Commissioner Farstveet to the Human Services Board, and Commissioner Schmeling to the SW Correctional Center Board and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Sheriff Dey Muckle as Deputy Coroner and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- The following resolutions were approved:

RESOLUTION 2023-1

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS, CLERKS, CUSTODIAN, & ROAD FOREMAN

STATES ATTORNEY
TAX & ZONING DIRECTOR
CUSTODIAN
ROAD FOREMAN
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER
CORONER
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR
SAFETY RISK MANAGER
ENGINEER
DES DIRECTOR

CHRISTINA WENKO
PATRICIA DAVIS
GLORIA PADILLA
PETER WIRTZFELD
VACANT
JOHN FOSTER
TAMRA SPERRY
CASSANDRA SZUDERA
SELECTED PER PROJECT
RACHEL KEOHANE

ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS SHALL APPOINT THEIR DEPUTIES AND/OR CLERKS AND ARE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS OF THE FISCAL BUDGET APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-1;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-2

PUBLIC NOTICE OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING DATES TO BE HELD IN THE COMMISSIONERS ROOM OF THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT BEACH, ND, AND THE HOUR OF BEGINNING OF MEETINGS

WHEREAS, UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 11-11-05 N.D.C.C., THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL DETERMINE THE DATES FOR REGULAR COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR 2023,

AND WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL OBSERVE DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME DURING THOSE MONTHS DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS OBSERVED AND MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME DURING THOSE MONTHS MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME IS USED,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS SHALL BEGIN AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND MAY BE ADJOURNED FROM TIME TO TIME IF NECESSARY:

JANUARY 11	MAY 2	SEPTEMBER 5
FEBRUARY 7	JUNE 6	OCTOBER 3
MARCH 7	JULY 5	NOVEMBER 7
APRIL 4	AUGUST 1	DECEMBER 5

IN THE EVENT OF A SPECIAL SESSION CALLED EITHER BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR OR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE PERSON CALLING THE MEETING SHALL NOTIFY THE NEWS MEDIA ACCORDING TO THE PROVISION OF CHAPTER 11-11-05 OF THE N.D.C.C.

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-2;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-3

ESTABLISHMENT OF DAYS THE COURTHOUSE IS CLOSED DUE TO HOLIDAYS

WHEREAS, UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 1-03-01 OF THE N.D.C.C. AND BY ACTIONS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DECLARE DAYS THE COURTHOUSE WILL BE CLOSED,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COURTHOUSE WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FOLLOWING:

DECEMBER 30, 2022 OBSERVED	NOVEMBER 10 OBSERVED
NEW YEAR'S EVE	VETERAN'S DAY
(CLOSE AT NOON)	NOVEMBER 23 THANKSGIVING
JANUARY 2 OBSERVED	NOVEMBER 24 THANKSGIVING
NEW YEAR'S DAY	DECEMBER 22 OBSERVED
	CHRISTMAS EVE
JANUARY 16 MARTIN LUTHER KING	DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS
FEBRUARY 20 PRESIDENTS' DAY	DECEMBER 29 OBSERVED
APRIL 7 GOOD FRIDAY	NEW YEAR'S EVE
MAY 29 MEMORIAL DAY	(CLOSE AT NOON)
JUNE 19 JUNETEENTH	JANUARY 1, 2024 NEW YEAR'S DAY
JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	
SEPTEMBER 4 LABOR DAY	

COURTHOUSE CLOSINGS WILL ALSO BE OBSERVED UPON ACTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE U.S.A. AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF N.D.

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-3;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-4

BUSINESS HOURS OF COURTHOUSE OFFICES

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL DETERMINE THE HOURS THE COURTHOUSE OFFICES WILL BE OPEN,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COURTHOUSE OFFICES WILL BE OPEN MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AND 12:30 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M., FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF HOLIDAYS.

THEREFORE, IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER THE COUNTY WILL FOLLOW THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE SCHEDULE.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-4;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-5

REIMBURSEMENT FOR MILEAGE, MEALS AND LODGING

WHEREAS, COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAY INCUR EXPENSES FOR MILEAGE, MEALS, AND LODGING IN THE PERFORMANCE OF CARRYING OUT THE DUTIES REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY,

AND WHEREAS, IF COUNTY EMPLOYEES OBTAIN PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO INCUR SUCH EXPENSE, THE COUNTY AUDITOR, UPON BEING PRESENTED WITH DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE AND IS SATISFIED WITH AUDIT OF EXPENSES, MAY APPROVE PAYMENT BETWEEN REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY ALLOW REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES INCURRED ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 11-10-15, 11-15-12, AND 54-06-09 OF N.D.C.C. AS FOLLOWS:

IN-STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATES:

MEALS: BREAKFAST – \$7.00; LUNCH – \$10.50; DINNER – \$17.50

BREAKFAST – TRAVEL MUST BEGIN BY 7:00 AM

LUNCH – 12:00 PM: MUST BE IN TRAVEL 1 HOUR BEFORE AND AT LEAST 1 HOUR AFTER (MUST BE IN TRAVEL BY 11:00 AM AND AFTER 1:00 PM)

DINNER – 6:00 PM: MUST BE IN TRAVEL 1 HOUR BEFORE AND AT LEAST 1 HOUR AFTER (MUST BE IN TRAVEL BY 5:00 PM AND AFTER 7:00 PM)

LODGING RATE: \$86.40

PERSONAL VEHICLE MILEAGE RATE: \$0.625

COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-5;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-6

EXPEDITION OF BUSINESS

WHEREAS, IT APPEARS THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTY WILL BE EXPEDITED BY AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TREASURER, UPON AUDIT OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR, TO PAY CERTAIN MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, SUCH AS POSTAGE, FREIGHT, UTILITIES, (GAS, ELECTRICITY, WATER, & TELEPHONE), BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NORTH DAKOTA EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS, REFUND ORDERS, REGULAR EMPLOYEE PAYROLL, AND APPORTIONMENTS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY TREASURER BE ALLOWED TO PAY SUCH CLAIMS.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-6;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-7

LISTING OF DEPOSITORY BANKS

WHEREAS, IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE COUNTY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT MONIES FROM TIME TO TIME,

AND WHEREAS, IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE COUNTY TREASURER TO DRAW UPON THE DEPOSITS,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING BANKS BE NAMED FOR DEPOSITORY FUNDS;

FIRST STATE BANK OF GOLVA, GOLVA &
BEACH, ND

BANK OF THE WEST, BEACH, ND

WESTERN COOP CREDIT UNION, BEACH, ND
STOCKMAN'S BANK, WIBAUX, MT

CUSTODIAL FUNDS,
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT,
CHECKING ACCT. OF REFUND
ORDERS, CHECKING ACCOUNT
FOR COUNTY BUSINESS
DEPOSITORY FOR WITHHOLD-
ING FUNDS, CERTIFICATES
OF DEPOSITS, CHECKING
ACCT. FOR COUNTY BUSINESS
SAVINGS ACCOUNT
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-7;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-8

PLEDGE OF SECURITIES

WHEREAS, IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE PLEDGE OF SECURITIES,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE FOLLOWING PLEDGES BE ACCEPTED AT 110%

BANK OF THE WEST, BEACH, ND	\$6,247,261.32
FIRST STATE BANK OF GOLVA, GOLVA & BEACH, ND	\$13,006,279.81

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-8;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-9

COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST AND REINVEST FUNDS

WHEREAS, COUNTY FUNDS MAY BE INVESTED IN CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT OR US TREASURY NOTES TO DRAW INTEREST,

AND WHEREAS, THESE FUNDS MATURE FROM TIME TO TIME,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY TREASURER BE AUTHORIZED TO INVEST FUNDS AND REINVEST UPON MATURITY OF CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT. ALL CD'S THAT ARE REDEEMED OR REINVESTED SHALL REQUIRE THE SIGNATURE OF BOTH THE COUNTY TREASURER AND COUNTY AUDITOR.

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-9;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-10

POSTING AND PUBLISHING LEGAL NOTICES

WHEREAS, IT IS NECESSARY TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES IN THE OFFICIAL COUNTY NEWSPAPER,

AND WHEREAS, THE PUBLIC HAS EXPRESSED THE "GOLDEN VALLEY NEWS" BE THE OFFICIAL PAPER,

AND WHEREAS, FROM TIME TO TIME LEGAL NOTICES ARE TO BE POSTED IN THE COURTHOUSE,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE "GOLDEN VALLEY NEWS" BE DECLARED THE OFFICIAL COUNTY NEWSPAPER FOR THE YEAR 2023 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LOBBY OF THE COURTHOUSE BE DECLARED THE LOCATION FOR POSTING LEGAL NOTICES.

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-10;
COMMISSIONER FARSTVEET SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2023-11

SALARIES OF ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL SET FORTH SALARIES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES,

AND WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAVE ADOPTED A BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING MAXIMUM SALARIES BE SET EITHER ON AN ANNUAL OR AN HOURLY BASIS:

AUDITOR/HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER	\$66,048.44
TREASURER	20,956.36
NEWLY ELECTED TREASURER effective May 1, 2023	30,000.00
DEPUTY TREASURER	22.00/HOUR
DEPUTY AUDITOR/RISK MANAGER/WEBSITE ADMIN.	23.05/HOUR
CLERK OF COURT/RECORDER/MAGISTRATE	50,762.38
TAX/ZONING DIRECTOR/GIS	47,250.00
STATE'S ATTORNEY (INCL. CITY PROSEC. CONT.)	54,307.51
COUNTY AGENT (COUNTY SHARE 50%)	27,026.00
COUNTY AGENT SECRETARY	20.24/HOUR
D.E.S. COORDINATOR	16,222.50
SHERIFF	72,611.91
DEPUTY SHERIFF	53,889.84
DEPUTY SHERIFF	59,278.92
CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF	71,727.72
OFFICE DEPUTY	24.31/HOUR
CUSTODIAN	19.47/HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	71,574.80
ROAD CREW (2)	25.78/HOUR
ROAD CREW (2)	27.18/HOUR
ROAD CREW (1)	29.49/HOUR
WEED CONTROL OFFICER	TBD upon hire
COMMISSIONERS (3)	17,104.50
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR	1,310.78
COUNTY CORONER	4,866.75
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER	8,343.72
911 COORDINATOR	6,553.89
LIBRARIAN	24.65/HOUR
ZONING BOARD MEMBERS & SECRETARY	45.00/MEETING

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-11;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

- Commissioner Smith suggested that the County Commissioners should be paid the same salary as in the past the Chairman was paid another \$200 per month. Commissioner Smith agreed to waive the additional \$200 for December payroll that was missed on payroll.

- The Board agreed to hold the Annual Township meeting in conjunction with the regular February 7, 2023 meeting at 11 am.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve payroll for January on January 13, 2023 and for February on February 17, 2023 due to the normal payroll dates falling on a Holiday and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the annual agreement with Cerberus Security, LLC for unlimited security support for 2023 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave an update from her office.
- County Auditor Sperry discussed with the Board about the Fair Board needing to get a to scale drawing to get a better estimate on the remodel of the red and blue buildings at the Fairgrounds. No action was taken and will be put on the February 7th agenda.
- The following Treasurer's semi-annual report was presented to the Board:

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER
Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 7-1-22 through 12-31-22

BALANCE 7-1-2022	\$14,605,173.59		
JULY COLLECTIONS	\$566,267.71	JULY PAYMENTS	\$1,101,732.70
AUG. COLLECTIONS	\$252,955.61	AUG. PAYMENTS	\$292,115.34
SEPT. COLLECTIONS	\$516,123.92	SEPT. PAYMENTS	\$761,794.01
OCT. COLLECTIONS	\$284,803.14	OCT. PAYMENTS	\$329,584.74
NOV. COLLECTIONS	\$220,449.78	NOV. PAYMENTS	\$301,580.39
DEC. COLLECTIONS	\$1,198,386.52	DEC. PAYMENTS	\$874,289.11
		BALANCE 12-31-2022	\$13,983,063.98

TOTAL	\$17,644,160.27		\$17,644,160.27
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BALANCE 12-31-2022	\$13,983,063.98	BANK DEPOSITS	\$7,606,441.54
		WESTERN COOP.CU SA	\$226,184.50
		LIBR. CD & SAVINGS	\$50,939.26
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$5,834,763.03
		CASH ITEMS	\$0.00
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$260,120.00
		CASH ON HAND	\$4,615.65

TOTAL			\$13,983,063.98
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- Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept VSO/County 911 Henry Gerving's resignation effective January 31, 2023 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept Treasurer Gene Skoglund's resignation effective January 31, 2023 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Candie Loftsgard as Treasurer to fulfill Skoglund's terms which ends April 30th and set her salary at \$3750/month and to appoint Gene Skoglund as Deputy Treasurer at \$22/hour effective February 1, 2023 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

- Discussion was held on a letter that was sent from Colleen Rodakowski with Elder Care in regards to the budget shortfall for Elder Care's nutrition program. Commissioner Farstveet moved to match the \$4,000 that the Golden Valley County Council on Aging has donated and amend the general budget and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board to give an update from her office.

Clerk of Court/Recorder Rachel Keohane met with the Board. Discussion was held on legislation being proposed pertaining to the transition of contract County Clerk services to State funding and other legislative priorities. It was agreed that the County is not in favor of this. Commissioner Schmeling moved to adopt the following Resolution and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-12
A RESOLUTION OPPOSING LEGISLATION MAKING THE
GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS OFFICE A STATE
OFFICE

WHEREAS, there is legislation being proposed pertaining to the transition of contract County Clerk services to State funding and other legislative priorities;

WHEREAS, such legislation would make the Golden Valley County Clerk of Courts Office a State Agency and the employees thereof State employees, which would take away local control and governance of such office and employees;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for Golden Valley County, North Dakota, is desirous of keeping the Golden Valley County Clerk of Courts Office as a County Office.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for Golden Valley County, North Dakota, that the following resolution be adopted as follows:

- 1.) That the Board of County Commissioners of Golden Valley County directly opposes the passage of legislation pertaining to the transition of contract County Clerk services to State funding and other legislative priorities; and
- 2.) That the Board of County Commissioners of Golden Valley County resolves to keep the Golden Valley County Clerk of Courts Office a County Office.

The majority having voted in favor of the motion and the motion having carried, the resolution was duly adopted on January 11, 2023.

APPROVED:

Adam Smith, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry, Auditor

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Discussion was held on the 2 bridges on Hwy 10 east of Sentinel Butte. Commissioner Schmeling moved to have Krebs help the County fill out an application for funding to the NDDOT for the bridges and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. John Brosz joined the meeting to express his appreciation for the business with Golden Valley County in 2022. Various road topics were discussed.

A letter of resignation was read to the Board from Dave Bares on the Weed Board. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the resignation and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of January 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	January Payroll	56,774.52
-87628	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	13,551.34
-87629	NDPHIT	Insurance	25,372.27
-99770	ND State Treasure		4,968.95
-99771	ND Tax Commissioner		2,348.59
83343-83372	Collections Submitted		567,430.08
83373	City of Beach	Water/Garbage	421.13
83374	MDU	Utilities	5,820.60
83375	Collections Submitted		170.85
83376	GV County Treasure	refund	26,056.66
83377	RTC Networks	Phone/Internet	1,643.28
83378	Office of the Attorney General	24/7	155.00
83379	Barry Schafer	Tax Refund	1,438.27
		Service	
83380	Armor Interactive	Agreement	2,068.00
83381	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1,358.33
	Beach Area Chamber of		
83382	Commerce	Membership	100.00
83383	Stark County	Service Insurance	475.28
83384	ND County Commissioners Assoc	Dues	1,106.00

83385	Tyler Technologies, Inc	Contract	5,284.97
83386	Secure Software Solutions	License	3,600.00
83387	National Association of Counties	Membership	450.00
		Dues/WC	
83388	ND Association of Counties	Premium	24,910.49
83389	Dak Insurance	Insurance	42,076.00
83390	Gworks	Technology	13,170.00
83391	Environmental Systems Research	GIS	700.00
83392	ND County Auditors Association	Dues	100.00
83393	NDEMA	Membership	50.00
83394	ND County Treasure's Association	Dues	100.00
83395	Patricia Davis	Reimbursement	38.62
83396	SW Multi-County Corrections	Prisoner Care	3,975.00
83397	Cerberus Security, LLC	Contract	175.00
83398	Dorsett Diesel LLC	Repair	1,054.79
83399	Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc	Floor Care	82.00
		Service	
83400	Fireside Office Solutions	Agreement	115.36
83401	US Postal Service	Bulk Mailing	72.01
83402	ND One Call	Locate Request	2.60
83403	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Parts	5,363.83
83404	Information Technology	Data Processing	724.30
83405	Software Inovations	Software	10,200.00
83406	SW Narcotics Task Force	Membership	17,315.00
83407	Motorola Solutions	Subscription	9,115.75
83408	City of Beach	Rent	1,200.00
83409	GV County Treasure	Rent	840.00
83410	CRFD		600.00
83411	SRFD		700.00
83412	GS Publishing	Publishing	207.48
83413	Stelter Repair, Inc	Repair	3,938.36
83414	ND Dept of Water Resources	Radar	2,000.00
83415	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
83416	Collections Submitted		7,552.19
83417	Steve Raisler	VA	40.00
83418	Elder Care	Meals	4,000.00
83419-83426	January Payroll		18,768.87
83427-83434	Payroll Liabilities		26,634.19
83435-83436	Library Disbursements		1,269.95
83437	Café Disbursement		216.00
83438	AT&T	Cell Phone	112.79

83439	BCBS	Cobra	147.60
83440	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.64

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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FEBRUARY 7, 2023 10:00 A.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting.

Steve Raisler joined the meeting.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the January regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- The Annual Park Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the regular March 7th meeting at 10:30 A.M.
- Commissioner Smith moved to create the fund HB 1606 to deposit the funds received for tracking purposes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to filling the vacancy for the Veteran Service Officer for Golden Valley County and contracting with Stark County for Veteran Services at a rate of \$7,500 per year. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign a joint powers agreement related to Veterans Services for Golden Valley County between Stark County and Golden Valley County and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- A retirement gathering for Gene Skoglund will be held on March 31, 2023 at the Golden Valley County Courthouse.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with information for the SW Night with the Legislators to be held on February 13th and County Day at the Capitol is set for March 8th and 9th.

Henry Gerving joined the meeting.

Renae Smith and Zane Manhart met with the Board to request funding to get a blue print for the additions/remodel of the fair building projects. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve up to \$7,500 to get a blue print for the red and blue fair buildings additions/remodel and Commissioner Smith seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-yes, Schmeling-no, Smith-yes. Motion carried.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board to discuss software issues. Discussion was also held on reevaluating the County. Davis will get an updated quote from Vanguard. Davis also requested to keep Henry Gerving on for another year for training. Commissioner Farstveet

moved to have Gerving continue training Davis at a rate of \$40/hour for 2 days a month and treat it as contract labor retroactive to February 1, 2024 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was also held in regards to the County 911 vacancy. It was agreed that that position fits best with the GIS position which is currently Pat Davis. Davis will look into the job description and get back to the Board at the March meeting.

11 AM was the advertised time for Annual/County Township Meeting. Commissioners Rory Farstveet, Adam Smith and Robert Schmeling along with Tax Director Pat Davis and Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld were present for the meeting.

Chairman Smith welcomed the group and thanked them for coming to the Annual County/Township Meeting. 12 Township officers from 8 of the 10 Townships were present for the meeting.

Tax Director, Pat Davis handed out the equalization schedule. If there was a discrepancy in the scheduling the Township will work with Davis to confirm a date or location that will work for them.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld gave the group information on County custom rates and culvert policy and projects that were completed in 2022 and projects for 2023.

Weed Board member Pete Wirtzfeld updated the crowd on the status of the Weed Board vacancy and Weed Control Officer vacancy. Discussion was also held on LAP funding and availability.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the Annual Township/County meeting adjourned at 11:39 A.M.

The regular meeting reconvened.

Misty Hayes with the Forest Service met with the Board to give them a quarterly update. Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Andrew Krebs with KLJ joined the meeting. Commissioner Farstveet moved to sign a Task Order for the Hwy 10 project and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 1:06 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of February 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	February Payroll	61,650.93
-87605	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	15,242.86
-87606	NDPHIT	Insurance	26,042.99
-99767	Pitney Bowes Postedge	Postage	500.00
-99768	JP Morgan	Supplies	964.85

-99769	ND State Treasure		4,235.72
83441	Ashley Ueckert	Reimbursement	36.82
83442	Dawn Ueckert	Reimbursement	18.82
83443	MDU	Gas & Electricity	4,607.48
83444	Gerald Streitz	Travel	26.20
83445-			
83473	Collections Submitted		665,683.86
83474	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	435.88
83475	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
		Collections	
83476	ND Association of Counties	Submitted	223.48
83477	NDCISA	Dues	100.00
83478	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1,507.48
83479	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1,358.33
83480	GV County Treasurer		93,855.10
83481	Motorola Solutions	Equipment	593.46
83482	ND Association of Counties	Fees	469.60
83483	Tescher Fencing	Contract	2,166.25
83484	Dak Insurance	Insurance	44.00
83485	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	76.70
83486	ND Clerk Association	Dues	100.00
83487	Mid-States Organized Crime Info	Dues	100.00
83488	NDSU Extension	Salary	6,591.99
83489	Gloria Padilla	Reimbursement	6.25
83490	ND County Recorders Association	Dues	200.00
83491	Steve Raisler	VA Services	180.00
83492	GC Publishing	Subscription	40.00
83493	Jan Roers	Cleaner	105.00
83494	Boss Inc	Supplies	1,043.34
83495	Lawson Products	Supplies	753.82
	Pitney Bowes Global Financial		
83496	Services	Meter Lease	458.13
83497	US Postal Service	Rent	114.00
83498	Fairfield and Woods PC	Legal Fees	97.35
83499	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	203.39
83500	Cerberus	Contract	175.00
83501	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	4,075.00
83502	US Postal Service	Bulk Mailing	73.61
83503	Powerplan	Repair	10,729.86
83504	Rachel Keohane	Travel	220.10
83505	PB Electric	Repair	765.00

83506	Total Safety US	Inspection	510.00
83507	Golva Repair	Repair	70.75
83508	Information Technology	Data Processing	711.65
83509	Dale Maus	Reimbursement	98.96
83510	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,661.42
83511	ND Weed Control Association	Dues	275.00
83512- 83516	Library Disbursements		752.92
83517- 83526	February Payroll		16,628.35
83527	Void		void
83528- 83531	Payroll Liabilities		26,203.85
83532	void		void
83533	Payroll Liabilities		830.62
83534	February Payroll		114.30
83535- 83537	Payroll Liabilities		618.29
83538	Café		384.00
83539	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
83540	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.29
83541	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1,852.90
83542	Verizon	Cell Phone	367.08

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 7, 2023 10:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko via zoom.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the February regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Discussion was held on the LATCF funds that the County received in the amount of \$70,077.36. Commissioner Schmeling moved to use that funding for patrol units for the Sheriff's department as that meets the stipulations on what that money can be used for and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the County 911 Coordinator vacancy. It was agreed Chairman Smith will create a job description to present at the April 4th regular meeting for review.
- Discussion was held in regards to sales tax that is submitted for payment when an employee purchases something and that vendor is not set up for tax exemption. It was agreed that this is a rare occasion and the Board approved to pay the sales tax but ask that the employees try to make purchases where there is an account set up for the County to utilize the tax exempt status.
- Former Treasurer Gene Skoglund's retirement party will be held at the Beach Community Center on March 31st from 1 pm to 3 pm.
- States Attorney Wenko gave an update from her office. Discussion was held in regards to the funding the County received from the Opioid settlement is to be used towards Opioid awareness in the County.
- Discussion was held in regards to the improvements for the County Courthouse. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept Jandt Plumbing, Heating, & Air Conditioning's quote of \$14,639.77 for the installation of heat and cooling units in five offices and to repair behind 14 cast iron radiators for a total of \$8,125 and PB Electric's bid for \$8,212 for electrical work for the units and S&R's quote to carpet the County Nurses office for \$4,303.54 and to hire Top Hat Roofing Company to replace the shingles on the Courthouse for \$33,175 and to amend the capital outlay budget by a total of \$68,455.31 to pay for those repairs out of that budget and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Tom Marman met with the Board to discuss parcel #05045000 that he purchased in 1998 and no deed was filed. States Attorney Wenko informed Marman that is not a County issue and suggested that he contact an Attorney and do a title search of that property.

Terry Traynor, Brian Dudeck and Denisha Cummings with Grid United met with the Board to update them on the North Plains Connector that is approximately 380 miles and up to 525 kilovolt high voltage direct current transmission line connecting the U.S. eastern and western electric grids in Montana and North Dakota.

Commissioner Smith called the Annual County Park Board meeting to order. Board Members that were present: Rachel Keohane and Kim Gaugler, Commissioners Smith, Schmeling and Farstveet. Barb Oppegard with the Fair, Tom Heckaman with the Golf Association, Mariah Zachman with the Golva City park, Eugene Padilla with Spirit of the West and Rachel Keohane with Beach Baseball presented the Board with their requests. There was one written request from Janie Rathbun from the City of Beach Pool. Commissioner Farstveet moved to amend the general budget by \$5,250 to fulfill the requests from the entities and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved to distribute \$1,500 to the Fair, \$5,000 to the City of Beach Pool, \$6,000 to Golva City park, \$1,000 to Spirit Of The West, \$500 to Beach Baseball and \$750 to the Golf Association and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Kim Gaugler moved to adjourn the Annual County Park Board meeting and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board. Discussion was held on the Ag Audit Findings that needed to be corrected within the County. Davis informed the Board that a class 1 or class 2 assessor would need to certify Golden Valley County Equalization Process and tolerances per North Dakota Century Code, since Davis will not be qualified by the time of completion of Equalization. Mr. Gerving has offered to certify the Equalization for Golden Valley County since he is a class 1 assessor. Different software options were presented to the Board to replace the current software used in Davis's office. No action was taken at this time as there is 1 more estimate waiting to come in. Discussion was then held on a complete revaluation of the County. Commissioner Farstveet moved to hire Vanguard to complete the revaluation at the presented cost of \$299,065 that will be paid in payments for the next 5 years as the project would not be completed until 2028 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

No bids were received for the Social Services building cleaning.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. The crew has been busy with snow removal and hauling gravel and working on equipment. States Attorney Wenko is working on a pit lease for the Streitz Family gravel. Different locations for crushing were discussed.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:40 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of March 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	March Payroll	53,489.52
-87585	NDPERS		13,491.19
-87586	NDPHIT		26,042.99

-99762	ND Tax Commissioner	State Tax	2,261.66
-99763	NDPERS		30.85
-99764	Pitney Bowes Postedge		500.00
-99765	JP Morgan	Office Supplies	2,135.83
-99766	ND State Treasure		7,019.79
83543-			
83572	Collections Submitted		824,416.45
83573	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1,358.33
83574	Henry Gerving	Tax Training	740.00
83575	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	1,034.00
83576	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	835.15
83577	Prairie Lumber Beach	Parts	45.94
	SW Multi-County Corrections		
83578	Center	Fees	25,937.33
83579	GS Publishing	Publishing	652.61
83580	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Parts	5,602.45
83581	Vanguard Appraisal inc	Training	131.25
83582	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	205.70
83583	Office of Attorney General	AMS Charges	155.00
83584	Adam Smith	Reimbursement	215.29
83585	Jan Roers	Cleaning	125.00
83586	PB Electric	Repair	360.00
83587	Alternative Truck & Tractor Repair	Repair	600.00
83588	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	136.70
83589	Boss Inc	Supplies	768.30
	ND Sheriff's & Deputies		
83590	Association	Membership	400.00
83591	Wallwork Truck Center	Repair	1,586.65
83592	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
83593	Gloria Padilla	Reimbursement	14.13
83594	Steve Raisler	VA	40.00
83595	NDTOA	Dues	1,125.00
83596	GV County Fair Association	Ag Improvement	200.00
83597	GV County 4-H Council	Ag Improvement	500.00
83598	NDAWN Center	Ag Improvement	500.00
83599	US Postal Service	Postage	75.60
83600	Butler Machinery	Parts	675.43
83601	GV County Treasure	Transfer	10,000.00
83602	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	707.14
83603	Powerplan	Repair	708.41
	SW Multi-County Corrections		
83604	Center	Prisoner Care	4,200.00
83605	US Postal Service	Box Rent	178.00

83606	Source one Supply	Parts	225.25
83607	City of Beach	Garbage/Water	418.60
83608	MDU	Electric & Gas	5,131.72
		Collections	
83609	ND Association of Counties	Submitted	174.47
83610	Stark County	VA Contract	7,500.00
83611-			
83615	County Park Disbursement		14,750.00
83616	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
83617	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,643.09
83618-			
83620	Library Disbursements		356.96
83621-			
83630	March Payroll		15,504.38
83631-			
83637	Payroll Liabilities		24,249.98
83638	Café		300.00
83639	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
83640	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.29
83641	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1,812.15
83642	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.08

ATTEST

 Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

 Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 4, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to add opioid discussion and Weed Board Appointment to the agenda under current business brought before the Board and accept the agenda with the changes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the March regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Seth Barkley to the Weed Board and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to the Opioid Settlement payments that the County receives and needs to be used for Opioid awareness or anything pertaining to opioids. Commissioner Farstveet moved to use \$815 of the funds to purchase mobile detect drug field kits for the patrol units and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the job description for the 911 Coordinator as presented and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held in regards to filling the 911 Coordinator vacancy. Commissioner Schmeling moved to create a position that would combine the 911 Coordinator position and a Courthouse multi-office assistance for a full time position and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith will work with the department heads at the Courthouse to create a job description for the Courthouse multi-office assistance to present at the May 2nd regular meeting. Discussion was held in regards to physical address requests that have been sent to the County Auditor. The Board agreed to reach out to former County 911 Coordinator Henry Gerving to see if he could help out with the requests until the position is filled.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve a gaming site authorization for the Medora Fire Association located at Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to contract with Kim Obrigewitch to clean the Social Service Building at \$25/hour and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry informed the Board that the NDIRF Annual Meeting will be held May 10th. Commissioner Schmeling moved to elect Burdell Johnson in the "Others" category and Sonya Larson in the "Schools" category to the NDIRF Board of Directors and to sign the proxy for the annual meeting and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss signing a joint powers agreement with Ward County for juvenile detention services as back up to YCC in Mandan. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the agreement and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Travis Holding Eagle and Chris Kimmerle met with the Board to discuss creating and hosting the task force position for the Southwest Narcotics Task Force in Golden Valley County as Corbin Snyder has been selected to move into the position. Commissioner Farstveet moved to host the task force position that will be 100% reimbursed to Golden Valley County and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to sign the updated Southwest Multi County Correction Center contract agreement and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. The funding for the Highway 10 bridges was not approved by the State.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of April 2023:

	Golden Valley County		
Direct Deposit	Employees	April Payroll	55,076.81
-87564	NDPERS		13,777.25
-87565 to -			
87566	NDPHIT		26,042.99
-99760	JP Morgan	Office Supplies	2,342.61
-99761	ND State Treasure		1,360.81
83643	Gerald Streitz	Mileage	26.20
83644	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1,358.33
83645	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	1,034.00
83646	Ramkota Hotel & Conference	Lodging	264.60
83647	GS Publishing	Marketing	92.56
83648	Farmers Union	Parts/Fuel	5,336.83
83649	Electro Watchman Inc	Contract	455.40
83650	Burt Cook	Travel	158.82
83651	Steve Raisler	Travel	30.00
83652	Prairie Lumber	Supplies	29.84
83653	Radisson Hotel	Lodging	88.20
83654	John Deere Financial	Parts	33.31
83655	Otis Elevator	Contract	937.32
83656	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	137.97
83657	Rachel Keohane	Travel	220.10

83658	US Postal Service	Bulk Mailing	73.61
83659	NDAAO	Training	530.00
83660	Powerplan	Parts	1,523.49
83661	ND Dept of Environmental Quality	Certification	175.00
83662	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	2,024.69
83663	Information Technology	Data Processing	128.50
83664	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	1,363.63
83665	Jan Roers	Cleaning	120.00
83666	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
83667	Butler Machinery Company	Parts	2,055.78
83668	Boss Inc	Supplies	713.95
83669	Golva Repair	Repair	1,413.00
83670	Cassandra Szudera	Travel	19.65
83671	Henry Gerving	Training	2,220.00
83672	Matthew Bender	Updates	98.31
83673-83703	Collection Submitted		150,805.35
83704	Gerald Streitz	Travel	26.20
83705	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	419.55
83706	MDU	Electric & Gas Collections	4,073.63
83707	ND Association of Counties	Submitted	172.48
83708	GV County Treasure	Refund	103.25
83709	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
83710	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,642.06
83711	Seth Barkley	Mileage/Mtg	106.20
83712-83715	Library Disbursements		107.58
83716-83726	April Payroll		15,623.76
83727-83733	April Payroll Liabilities		25,131.74
83734	Café		300.00
83735	BCBS	Cobra	147.60
83736	AT&T Mobility		114.20
83737	Gerald Streitz	Travel	26.20
83738	Cenex Fleet Fueling		2,120.22
83739	Scholastic Book Fairs	Books	1,014.32
83740	GV County Treasure		161.00
83741	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	366.98
ATTEST			

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
MAY 2, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the April regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Smith presented the Board with a Job Description for the General Courthouse Department Assistant. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the Job Description with edits and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to create a full time position combining the 911 Coordinator and General Courthouse Department Assistant starting at \$17.50/hr and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet, Auditor Tamra Sperry, Clerk of Court/Recorder Rachel Keohane and Tax/Zoning Direct Pat Davis will be on the interview committee. Applications or resumes will be accepted until May 26th with interviews starting May 30th.
- There is \$204,554 left in the Recovery Fund that is not obligated.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept and sign a gravel mining lease between the County and Gerald Streitz, Wayne Streitz and David Streitz at \$3.50/cy for a period of 5 years and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry gave the Board an update on the 2019 Audit that still is not completed by Schmitz-Holmstrom. The audit should be completed by June and Eide Bailly will start on the 2020/2021 audit then.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the Gaming Site Authorization for Home On The Range and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve the County Auditor to purchase a Surface Pro 9 out of the Capital Outlay budget for \$1,269.28 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Misty Hayes with the Forest Service met with the Board to give them an update. Various events are planned and the Forest Service has been in contact with Sheriff Muckle to assist with any search and rescue issues as needed. Other topics were discussed.

Tax/Zoning Direct Pat Davis met with the Board. Davis presented the Board with the following 2 applications for zoning certificates:

1. Michels Road & Stone, Inc.: Application for Zoning Certificate, Conditional Use Permit is to operate a temporary concrete batch plant to facilitate work for the North Dakota Department of Transportation project ND 22624 (I-94 WB State Line to Sentinel Butte) on PID 01920500 (Legal Description Portion of NE1/2, SE1/4, Parcel in SW1/4 (Less R/W), Sec 17-140-104), Sentinel Butte, ND
2. Andrew Smith-Adam Smith: Application for Zoning Certificate, Road Approach Permit for farm use access on PID 02797000 (Legal Description NW1/4, Sec 18-141-104.)

There was not a quorum at the April 24th zoning meeting. Davis asks that the Board approve those applications. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the applications and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Davis then presented the Board with the contract from Vanguard for the revaluation of the County. Commissioner Farstveet moved to sign and accept the contract at the approximate price of \$299,065 and the revaluation is to be completed by February 1, 2030 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Krebs presented the Board with an Opinion of Cost for overlay on Highway 10. Various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of May 2023:

Direct

Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	May Payroll	60,399.22
-87541	NDPERS		14,691.43
-87540	NDPHIT		26,362.27
-99756	JP Morgan		1,046.09
-99757	Post Board	Training	45.00
-99758	ND State Treasure		1,169.97
83742	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1,358.33
83743	Productivity Plus Account	Parts	284.49
83744	KLJ Engineering	Road & Bridge	2,306.36
83745	Fireside Office Solutions	Contract	730.96
83746	SW Multi-County Corrections Center	Prisoner care	4,900.00
83747	ND State Radio Communications	Renewal/Lines	8,427.08
83748	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	830.15
		Service	
83749	Armor Interactive	Agreement	1,034.00
83750	J P Steel & Supply Inc	Parts	224.00
83751	GS Publishing	Publishing	512.52
83752	Ashley Ueckert	Travel	936.76
83753	Dakota Dust-tex	Floor Care	109.40
83754	Ryan Aakre Construction	Repair	12,000.00
83755	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Repair	10,560.54

83756	Linde Gas & Equipment	Supplies	147.64
83757	Peace Officer Standards & Training	Training	150.00
83758	Motorola Solutions	Subscriptions	2,127.01
83759	Prairie Lumber	Parts	205.50
83760	NDSU Extension	Salary	6,591.99
83761	Darin Maus	Travel	17.03
83762	Boss	Supplies	445.80
83763	ND Workforce Safety & Insurance	Insurance	250.00
83764	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	163.56
83765	Kim Obrigewitch	Cleaning	80.00
83766	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
83767	Wallwork Truck Center	Parts	1,443.42
83768	Robert Schmeling	Travel	589.50
83769	Butler Machinery	Parts	227.03
83770	Gloria Padilla	Travel	51.09
83771	Henry Gerving	Training	1,040.00
83772	Office of Attorney General	24/7	475.00
83773	Office of Attorney General	24/7	300.00
83774	City of Beach	Water/Garbage	422.54
83775-83802	Collections Submitted		86,356.90
83791	Void		
83803	MDU	Electric/Gas	2,970.60
83804	Collections Submitted		989.28
83805	Collections Submitted		115.19
83806	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
		Tax Land	
83807	GVC Clerk of Court	Purchase	11,305.11
83808	RTC Network	Telephone/Internet	1,583.01
83809	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Parts	354.12
83810-83812	Library Disbursements		131.82
83813-83823	May Payroll		21,134.15
83824-83830	Payroll Liabilities		28,510.19
83831	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
83832	Café		300.00
83833	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1,851.07
83834	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	114.20
83835	Verizon Wireless	Phone	366.98
ATTEST			

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

JUNE 6, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the May regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling move to re-Appoint Kim Vanhorn to the County Reorganization Committee to another 3 year term and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to re-Appoint Jerry Weinreis to a 5 year term retro-active to 2020, Don Hardy retro-active to 2022 and William Tidball retro-active to 2019 as these appointments were overlooked and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve SW District Health Unit's request for funding of \$6,500 for the 2024 Health Maintenance Program and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to Roosevelt Custer's regional marketing campaign no action was taken at this time as it will be discussed at the August regular meeting.
- Discussion was held on the on the standing committees of the ND County Commissioners Association. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to offer the 911 Coordinator/General Courthouse Office Assistant to Carla Beeler as she was the top pick from the hiring committee and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- County Auditor Sperry will be out of the office June 14-27 but will be available by cell phone or email.
- The Bankhead Jones PILT payment came in and the Board has set 10 am at the July 5th regular meeting to meet with the Schools and Sentinel Township to discuss disbursements.

Holly Praus and Amber Hofstead with the Sunrise Youth Bureau met with the Board to update them on the services that is provided for Golden Valley County through the Bureau. They request the same amount of funding as last year of \$3,757 for 2024.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss moving the Law Enforcement Sheriff and Deputies to the Defined Benefit-Public Safety Retirement Plan for 2024. No action was taken at this time and it will be readdressed at the July 5th regular meeting.

Various Department Heads met with the Board to discuss 2024 budgets. The Board has advised the Department Heads to work their budgets with a 6% salary increase for 2024. Other budget items were discussed.

Discussion was held in regards to the 4th falling on a Tuesday. Commissioner Farstveet moved to grant the employees July 3rd off as a paid vacation in addition to July 4th and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Teresa Steele with Range Counseling Center, LLC met with the Board to discuss possibly renting office space at the Social Services Building. Commissioner Farstveet moved to rent the office space to Range Counseling Center, LLC for \$125 per month and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. States Attorney Wenko will put together a lease to be reviewed at the July 5th regular meeting.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Scoria crushing has been completed and measured at the Stedman pit and gravel crushing has been completed and measured at the Richard pit. Discussion was held on future projects.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 11:47 A.M.

1:00 P.M. was the advertised time for the annual County Equalization Meeting. Roger and Paula Clemens joined the meeting. The Board met as the Unorganized Township Board. The increases and decreases for agricultural land acres, commercial lots, commercial structures, residential lots and residential structures are properly noted in the Golden Valley County Unorganized Townships equalization booklet presented at the meeting. Commissioner Schmeling moved that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and find them proper as assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved that a finding be made that all exemptions have been reviewed and find them proper as presented or corrected and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for the Unorganized Townships for 2023 has been reviewed and found properly assessed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declare the Assessment Roll for 2023 for the Unorganized Townships equalized and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn as the Unorganized Township Board and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 1:23 P.M.

The Board met as the County Equalization Board. Various changes to the townships and cities were reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Farstveet moved to set the total valuation on parcel #05626000 at \$314,900 as Tax Director Pat Davis reviewed the property record card with the property owners and did a reassessment to the property and corrected some errors resulting in a decrease as previously assessed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. The increases and decreases for agricultural land acres, commercial lots, commercial structures, residential lots and residential structures are properly noted in the Golden Valley County equalization booklet presented at the meeting. Commissioner Farstveet moved that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and found them proper as assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved that a finding be made that the Board reviewed all exemptions and find them proper as presented or corrected in the minutes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for Golden Valley County for 2023 has been reviewed and found them properly assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declared the Assessment Roll for 2023 for Golden Valley County equalized and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn as the County Equalization Board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 2:46 P.M.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the presented abatement on parcel #20-24-05290000 as the parcel number was incorrectly assessed for the years 2020, 2021 and 2022 and the presented abatement on parcel #04471000 as the structure was incorrectly valued on the parcel for the years 2020, 2021 and 2022 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Tax Director Pat Davis visited with the Board and will set up a date and time with 2 different ag software companies to do a presentation to the Board sometime in June.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 3:13 P.M.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 29, 2023 2:00 P.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert, Tax Director Pat Davis and 911 Coordinator Carla Beeler were present for the meeting.

The purpose of this special meeting is to meet with representatives from Sidwell and OffRoad Software to give a presentation of the ag software to possibly replace the current ag software in the Tax Director's office.

Travis Franz with Sidwell gave the Board a presentation on what Sidwell has to offer.

Rory Farstveet joined the meeting.

Chris Bader with OffRoad software gave the Board a presentation on what OffRoad has to offer.

No action was taken at this time.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 5:16 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of June 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	June Payroll	72,223.80
-87516	NDPERS		550.00
-87517	NDPERS		16,248.73
-87518	NDPHIT		28,437.62
-99754	JP Morgan		2,911.52
-99755	ND State Treasure		1,564.74
83836-			
83866	Collections Submitted		57980.33
83867	City of Beach	Water/Garbage	422.54
83868	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	1358.33
83869	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	4900
83870	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	850.1
83871	Mark Egan	Reimbursement	49.49
83872	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	122.50
83873	Summit Fire Protection	Inspection	580.00
83874	Fireside Office Solutions	Contract	1,143.00

83875	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	5,721.17
83876	Black Mountain Software	Contract	8,214.00
83877	Productivity Plus	Parts	1,089.00
83878	US Postal Service	Postage	72.24
83879	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Lease	458.13
83880	Truck Suppliers	Parts	359.29
83881	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Repair	13,753.25
83882	Matthew Bender & Co	Renewal	220.45
83883	NDACS	Fees	50.00
83884	Software Innovations	Software	5,700.00
83885	ND Association of Counties	D & A Test	135.00
83886	S & R Interiors	Floor Care	4,303.54
83887	Dooley Enterprise	Supplies	981.49
83888	Ramada Bismarck Hotel	Lodging	441.00
83889	Prairie Lumber Beach	Supplies	155.60
83890	Lacal Equipment	Parts	996.58
83891	GVC Garden Club	Flowers	168.00
83892	Wyrick Construction	Crushing	40,337.50
83893	Rachel Keohane	Travel	98.72
83894	Patricia Davis	Travel	533.47
83895	Burt Cook	Veterans Services	50.00
83896	West Dakota Parent & Family Resource	Education	70.20
83897	GV County Treasure	Transfer	500,000.00
83898	Void	Void	
83899	Ken Stedman	Scoria	28,187.50
83900	Fisher Sand & Gravel	Crushing	216,974.70
83901	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	305.65
83902	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
83903	NW Tire	Tires	2,792.16
83904	Westlie Motor Company	Supplies	210.05
83905	Beach Food Center	Supplies	116.62
83906	TAO Interactive	Contract	599.95
83907	Henry Gerving	Training	940.00
83908	Locators& Supplies	Supplies	145.70
83909	Boss Inc	Supplies	638.62
83910	Salam Internation	Supplies	373.65
83911	KLJ Engineering	Rd & Bridge	7,742.53
83912	Unplugged	Repair	645.00

83913	Kim Obrigewitch	Contract	79.55
83914	Noll Construction	Blading	3,880.00
83915	MDU	Electricity/gas	1,884.90
83916	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
83917	Zachmann Rentals LLP	Refund	44.82
83918	Eugene Padilla	Refund	136.96
83919	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,611.47
83920	Farmers Union Oil	Repair/Fuel	660.74
83921-83929	June Payroll		16,191.04
83930-83935	Payroll Liabilities		30,300.40
83936-83937	Café Disbursement		300.00
83940	Library Disbursements		264.59
83941	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.20
83942	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1,769.90
83943	SpraySync	Contract	9,550.00
83944	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	366.98
83945	Office of Attorney General	24/7	610.00
83946	Brandon Richards	Gravel	93,754.50
83947	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	105.70
ATTEST			

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 5, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko via Zoom.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the June regular and special meeting minutes with correcting the special meeting date from June 30th to June 29th and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Discussion was held on the County Commissioner Standing Committee for the ND County Commissioners Association. There was no interest at this time to be on the Committees.
- The following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION 2023-13

Contributions for Public Safety Retirement Plan

Employee Contribution: 5.50% of salary

Employer Contribution: 11.40% of covered payroll +1.14% Health Credit

A motion was made by Commissioner Rory Farstveet for Golden Valley County to affirm to North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System that Golden Valley County is formed pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 11-01 and is neither a non—profit corporation nor a for-profit corporation, to join the NDPERS Public Safety Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and offer the plan to all eligible employees of Golden Valley County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robert Schmeling. The Board approved joining the NDPERS Public Safety Defined Benefit Retirement Plan effective January 1, 2024.

Adam Smith, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry, Auditor

- 2 phone system quotes from RTC were presented to the Board. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the quote to install the phone system that will be hosted by RTC for the amount of \$13,315.61 for the Courthouse and RTC will get a quote to update the phone system at the County Shop and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling presented the Board with a quote for materials to repair the baseball buildings and dug out at the Fairgrounds for \$1,899.21. It was agreed that Commissioner Schmeling will look for a contractor to do the repairs and get a quote from them. No action was taken at this time and it will be discussed at the next regular meeting on August 1st.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve and sign a lease with Range Counseling LLC for office space at the Social Service Building for \$125/month and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to reschedule the regular December meeting to December 14, 2023 as County Auditor Sperry will be out of town on December 5th and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- The Board reviewed the 2024 budgets that have been submitted.
- Commissioner Smith moved to purchase a new computer for the Treasurer's office in the amount of \$1,954.25 out of the Capital Outlay Budget and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry will get a quote to purchase a new computer for the 911 Coordinator to present at the August meeting.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Libby Almy and Gene Weinreis with the LoneTree School District and Jessica Geis with the Beach School District and Rusty Makelky with Sentinel Township met with the Board to discuss the 2023 Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act payment that came in at \$5,680,794.05.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to give the LoneTree School District 7% (\$397,655.58), Beach School District 9.5% (\$539,675.43), Sentinel Butte Township 3% (\$170,423.82) and \$3,000 the Unorganized Townships and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to go over the rates for the 2024 Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Beach. Muckle has presented the contract to the City of Beach on May 30, 2023 but has not heard back from them.

Tax and Zoning Director Pat Davis met with the Board. Davis presented the Board with legislative bills that were approved and will affect her office. Commissioner Farstveet moved to allow Henry Gerving to attend the State Board of Equalization in Bismarck on August 8th in Bismarck with Davis and cover Gerving's registration and travel expenses and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Davis then gave the Board the Zoning Board meeting minutes from their June 26th meeting. The Zoning Board appointed Henry Gerving to replace Maria Marman and Candie Loftsgard to replace Gene Skoglund to the Zoning Board. Davis also presented the updated application for pipeline permits in the County that she will be requesting to use in the future after final review from the States Attorney, Zoning Board and Commissioner

Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase the software Sidewell for \$23,700 to replace the current ag software used in the Tax Director's office and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Davis presented to the Golden Valley County Commissioners information concerning the additional hours she has contributed to the county over and above her salary since January 01, 2023. She has requested compensation in her current salary for the additional time she has contributed. Davis has requested that the Commissioners review the material presented that explained the compensation of other Tax Directors, with lower population counties, in the state, and the calculations of what the pay would amount to for the additional hours she has worked for the County. No action was taken and will be discussed at the August regular meeting.

Custodian Gloria Padilla met with the Board to review the quote to fix the leaks in the roof of the Courthouse. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the bid of \$8,280 from Top Hat Roofing Company for the roof decking repair on the Courthouse and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was then held in regards to celebrating the Courthouse's 100th Anniversary during Spirit of the West.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. KLJ will survey and design the segment of road from Sentinel Butte to I-94. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of July 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	July Payroll	\$66,194.97
-87489	NDPERS		\$14,414.98
-87490	NDPERS		\$550.00
-87491	MT Department of Revenue		\$73.00
-87492	NDPHIT		\$29,771.28
-99750	Pitney Bowes Postedge		\$500.00
-99751	JP Morgan		\$760.80
-99752	North Dakota Tax Commissioner		\$2,550.17
-99753	ND State Treasure		\$608.13
83948	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
	SW Multi-County Correction		
83949	Center	Prisoner Care	\$6,275.00
83950	Electro Watchman Inc	Repair	\$43.10
83951	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	\$850.10
83952	SW Crime Conference	Dues	\$60.00
83953	Steve Raisler	Veterans Service	\$257.00

83954	Golva Repair	Repair	\$76.00
83955	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	\$109.40
83956	Farmers Union Oil	Repair/Fuel	\$14,811.07
83957	Walk-N-Roll	Parts	\$135.93
83958	Boss Inc	Supplies	\$396.71
83959	Robert Schmeling	Travel	\$189.95
83960	GARD Specialists Co	Parts	\$705.81
83961	Tescher Fencing LLC	Snow Removal	\$1,706.00
83962	PowerPlan	Parts	\$2,299.35
83963	Dak Insurance	Insurance	\$9,571.00
83964	Source One Supply	Parts	\$703.15
83965	Troy Tescher	Travel	\$32.75
83966	Darin Maus	Travel	\$17.03
83967	NDAAO	Training	\$210.00
83968	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$149.42
83969	US Postal Service	Mailing	\$71.53
83970	Deere Credit Inc	Lease	\$8,000.00
		Service	
83971	Armor Interactive	Agreement	\$1,308.81
83972	Lawson Products	Parts	\$451.95
83973	Gene Padilla	Repair	\$150.00
83974	DJ Drywall	Repair	\$550.00
83975	GS Publishing LLC	Publishing	\$503.66
83976	Sax Motor Co	Patrol Unit	\$51,310.00
83977	GV County Treasurer	Transfer	\$8,000.00
83978	Wallwork Truck Center	Repair	\$141.80
83979	Matthew Bender & Co Inc	Renewal	\$354.31
83980	Cerberus Security LLC	Contract	\$175.00
83981-84009	Collections Submitted		\$1,159,911.50
83987	Void		Void
84010	NDAAO	Training	\$160.00
84011-84012	Void		Void
84013	Collections Submitted		\$114.23
84014	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Supplies	\$1,773.59
84015	City of Beach	Water/Garbage	\$486.81
84016	O5 Motorsport LLC	Parts	\$319.26
84017	NDSU	Supplies	\$15.00
84018	MDU	Electricity/Gas	\$1,648.62
84019	Farmers Union Oil	Supplies	\$55.96
84020-84027	July Payroll		\$15,488.93
84028-84033	Payroll Liabilities		\$27,369.78

84034	Café Disbursement		\$300.00
84035	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	\$114.17
84036	ND State Radio Communications	Lines	\$6,896.88
84037-84038	Library Disbursements		\$878.21
84039	RTC Network	Phone/Internet	\$1,515.42
84040	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	\$40.00
		Mobile Home	
84041	GV County Treasurer	App	\$5,944.87
84042	Void	Void	
84043	Warne Chemical & Equipment	Chemical	\$72.78
84044	Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc	Chemical	\$6,894.50
84045	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	\$367.00

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 1, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the July regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- October 3rd is the date for the public hearing on 2024 budgets/levies at 10 am.
- Discussion was held in regards to the upcoming NDACo conference to be held October 8-10. The Board has agreed to have Commissioner Adam Smith as the County Delegate for the conference.
- Discussion was held on the baseball building and dugouts at the fairgrounds. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Smith moved to purchase a new laptop for the County 911 office in the amount of up to \$1,609.84 out of the Capital Outlay budget and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve Carla Beeler to take time off without pay for August 2-3 and September 6-8 as she does not have enough time off accrued being a new employee and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on comp time. No action was taken at this time but will be added to the September 5 regular meeting agenda to further discuss this with the Department Heads.
- Commissioner Farstveet approved the following Treasurer's bi-annual report and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER
Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 1-1-23 through 6-30-23

BALANCE 1-1-2023	\$13,983,063.98		
JAN. COLLECTIONS	\$3,091,719.44	JAN. PAYMENTS	\$ 1,599,359.70
FEB. “	\$1,385,961.04	FEB. “	\$ 949,379.75
MAR. “	\$ 321,304.10	MAR. “	\$ 1,063,707.26
APR. “	\$ 236,388.49	APR. “	\$ 325,014.88
MAY “	\$ 201,932.28	MAY “	\$ 319,100.96
JUNE “	\$ 6,430,929.64	JUNE “	\$ 1,194,764.21

		BALANCE 6-30-2023	\$20,199,972.21
TOTAL	\$25,651,298.97		\$25,651,298.97
BALANCE 6-30-2023	\$20,199,972.21	BANK DEPOSITS	\$13,820,648.12
		WESTERN COOP. CU	\$ 226,240.92
		LIBR. CD & SAV.	\$ 50,954.36
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$ 6,100,012.23
		CASH ITEMS	\$ 0.00
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$ 0.00
		CASH ON HAND	\$ 2,116.57
TOTAL			\$20,199,972.21

GV COUNTY TREASURER

- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- Discussion was held on the AC units that are scheduled to be installed in the Courthouse. Commissioner Schmeling moved to add units to the Commissioner's room and the County 911 office if they are available and can be installed with the other 5 units that have been approved for and scheduled to be installed August 14th and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

The 10 am agenda item to meet with Shannon Ellig from Roosevelt Custer did not show up to meet with the Board. No action was taken.

Pete Wirtzfeld joined the meeting.

Misty Hayes with the Forest Service met with the Board to update them on Forest Service topics. Discussion was held in regards to the fire burning restrictions. Discussion was held in regards to the County to join in a Cooperation Agency with the Department of Energy to keep informed of the North Plains Connector grid, Commissioner Smith moved to join the Cooperating Agency and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Ronald Tolstad met with the Board via zoom to review the County's 2019 audit. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the 2019 audit and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Gene Hamilton joined the meeting.

Sherry Adams with the SW District Health Unit met with the Board for the public hearing on the 2024 mill levy request. There will not be a budget increase for 2024 for the Health Unit.

Tax/Zoning Director Pat Davis met with the Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Henry Gerving and Candie Loftsgard to the County Zoning Board to replace Maria Marman and

Gene Skoglund retroactive to July 5, 2023 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the Zoning Board's recommendations as listed below and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

- Mel Bosserman-Application for Zoning Certificate for building of two grain bins, application for Zoning Certificate-Conditional Use Permit for Variance to place 2-42' grain bins approximately 70' from the centerline of the road. Location-Parcel# 00657500, Sec 11-Twn 137-Rng-106, Golvea, ND
- Martin Construction, Inc.-Application for Zoning Certificate-Conditional Use Permit to operate an asphalt crushing site to facilitate work for North Dakota Department of Transportation Project I-94 WB State Line to Sentinel Butte. Location-Parcel# 02347000-Sec 16-140-105, Parcel# 023425000-Sec 15-140-105 contingent to Martin Construction paying the permit fee within 30 days.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the County's updated pipeline permit application that was presented at the July 5th meeting and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was held in regards to Davis's request at the July 5th for compensation to her current salary for the additional time she has contributed. No action was taken at this time and will be discussed again at the September 5th meeting.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve up to an additional 210 hours at \$40/hour through the end of year for Gerving to continue training in the Tax Director's office and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve an abatement on parcel #05078000&05077000 as the applicant qualifies for the homestead credit and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the following preliminary levy amounts:

General: \$270,000

Council on Aging: \$32,025

Veteran Service: \$8,000

SW District Health Unit: \$58,445

Road and Bridge: \$160,124

Water Management: \$64,050

Ambulance: \$208,161

Extension Service: \$32,025

County Airport: \$8,000

Weed Control: \$64,050

Library: \$64,050

Soil Conservation: \$40,031

GV Historical Society: \$4,003

Jobs Development: \$10,000

Sunrise Youth: \$3,757

State Medical Levy: \$16,012

Unorganized Townships:

136-105 \$2,282

136-106 \$1,750
 137-103 \$705
 138-103 \$1,196
 141-103 \$1,978
 142-103 \$2,332
 142-105 \$2,285
 143-103 \$2,419
 144-103 \$4,090

And Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to create the fund Hwy 10 and to amend the county road and bridge budget to transfer the \$5,470,000 that was budgeted for 2023 for the Hwy 10 project that will bid in 2023 but not completed until 2024 to the Hwy 10 fund and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ Engineering met with the Board. The Board reviewed certifications for the Highway 10 federal aid paving project and Chairman Smith signed them. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve and sign amendment no. 1 to task order no. 2303-00212 increasing the task order by \$19,000 to add CR 11 from Sentinel Butte to I-94 to the County funded portion of the HWY 10 project and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of August 2023:

	Golden Valley County		
Direct Deposit	Employees	August Payroll	\$78,002.06
-87460	MT Department of Revenue	Payroll Liability	\$119.00
-87461	NDPERS	Retirement	\$550.00
-87462	NDPERS	Retirement	\$16,909.59
-87463	NDPHIT	Health Insurance	\$31,339.44
-99747	Pitney Bowes Postedge	Postage	\$500.00
-99748	JP Morgan	Supplies	\$1,821.86
-99749	ND State Treasure	Collections Submitted	\$1,290.16
84046	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
84047	Golva Repair	Repair	\$495.75
84048	Prairie Lumber	Supplies	\$29.95
84049	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	\$163.00
	SW Multi-County Corrections		
84050	Center	Prisoner Care	\$4,500.00
84051	Fireside Office Solutions	Contract	\$994.90
84052	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Supplies	\$12,617.21

84053	Motorola Solutions	Subscription	\$8,908.40
84054	Jeff Milburn	Reimbursement	\$455.00
84055	GS Publishing LLC	Publishing	\$463.24
84056	ND One Call	Locating	\$1.30
84057	Steve Raisler	Veterans Services	\$100.00
84058	Noll Construction	Contract	\$725.00
84059	ND 911 Association	Membership	\$25.00
	Western Dakota Energy		
84060	Association	Dues/Permits	\$4,129.38
84061	Uniform Center	Uniforms	\$495.96
84062	Applies Concepts, Inc	Equipment	\$3,530.00
84063	Henry Gerving	Training	\$1,640.00
84064	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement/Equipment	\$3,296.65
84065	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	\$870.70
84066	Radisson Hotel Bismarck	Lodging	\$352.80
84067	Burt Cook	Veterans Services	\$139.41
84068	Kim Obrigewitch	Contract-Soc Ser Cleaning	\$84.50
84069	KLJ Engineering LLC	Rd & Bridge	\$8,286.01
84070	POST Board	License	\$25.00
84071	Colonial Research	Supplies	\$772.47
84072	National Sheriffs' Association	Membership	\$71.00
84073	Boss	Supplies	\$1,567.65
84074	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$81.43
84075	Jandt Plumbing & Heating	Repair	\$279.82
84076	Tamra Sperry	Travel	\$234.10
84077	Candie Loftsgard	Travel	\$24.50
84078	NW Tire Inc	Tires	\$7,295.02
84079	Dak Insurance	Insurance	\$793.00
84080	Source One Supplies Inc	Parts	\$308.90
84081	Top Hat Roofing Company	Roof Repair	\$44,255.00
84082	Unplugged	Repair	\$477.00
84083	Cerberus Security	Contract	\$175.00
84084	Darin Maus	Travel	\$17.03
84085	Troy Tescher	Travel	\$32.75
84086	JessiKay Noll	NDSU Edu	\$240.00
84087	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	\$607.00
84088-84115	Collections Submitted		\$41,622.64
84116	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	\$1,939.52
84117	MDU	Electricity/Gas	\$1,955.55
84118	RTC Networks	Internet/Telephone	\$1,372.72
84119	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Parts	\$777.61

84120-84123	Library Disbursements		\$407.60
84124	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	\$40.00
84125	Leonard Stockwell	Tax refund	\$794.99
84126	AT&T	Cell Phone	\$114.17
84127	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	\$1,859.84
84128-84137	August Payroll		\$17,312.35
84138-84143	Payroll Liabilities		\$32,361.44
84144	Café		\$300.00
84145	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	\$367.00
84146	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$16.99

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 30, 2023 10:30 A.M.

The meeting began at 10:35 am and was attended by Commissioners Adam Smith, Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet.

Others were present during portions of the meeting: NDACo representatives Donnell Preskey, Dwight Driscoll, Jayme Tennyson, Carrie Krause, Chad Peterson along with Diane Mortenson, Dey Muckle, Rachel Keohane, Carla Beeler, Pat Davis, Candie Loftsgard, Gloria Padilla, Gary Howard, and Pete Wirtzfeld.

Individuals from NDACo Board of Directors were present and discussed topics ranging from NDPERS, employee retention, infrastructure, legislation and Resolutions being written for discussion and approval at the upcoming NDACo conference in October.

The meeting ended at 11:50 am.

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to add the Legion Field dugouts improvements and then to accept the agenda as amended and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the August regular and special meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to do improvements to the dugouts at the Legion Field with materials to not exceed \$2,500 and Cowboy Construction has agreed to donate the labor to make the improvements and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve the County to take part in the Rummage in the Badlands on September 16th to sell items the County no longer uses and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to a chevy equinox that was purchased for Social Services before becoming a zone. No action was taken at this time as more information is needed to be gathered on what was decided back then.
- The Board has agreed to not ask for compensation for an old printer that Gene Skoglund took to see if it is still in working order and found that it does.
- Discussion was held in regards to a letter received from the Court Facilities Advisory Committee for grants to be awarded from the Court Facility Improvement and Maintenance Fund. States Attorney Wenko is going to look into the grant and come back to the Board with some suggestions that maybe useful for the Courtroom.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to take former Treasurer Gene Skoglund off the Stockmen's Bank account and add Treasurer Candie Loftsgard and Auditor Tamra Sperry to the account and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Custodian Gloria Padilla and Leo Floer the electrician that is going to install the ATS unit for the Generator met with the Board to discuss his estimate to install the ATS unit. Commissioner Schmeling moved to allow Leo and Gloria to purchase material for the installation of the ATS unit up to \$5,000 at DSG in Dickinson and accept the labor and permit fee for a total of \$4,144 to be paid to Leo and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to go over the updated Law Enforcement Services contract with the City of Beach. The Detention Service Agreement was reviewed with the DOCR, DJS

and YCC as detention provider and Golden Valley County. Commissioner Farstveet moved to sign the agreement and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Comp time was discussed. It was agreed to have a team meeting at the November 7th regular meeting with all employees and the Board to discuss the pros and cons of a comp time policy.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board to inform them of a new home exemption being requested by Roger and Paula Clemens. No action was taken at this time and will be addressed if an abatement is presented to the Board. Davis then submitted her letter of resignation with September 19th being her last day. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept Davis's resignation and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. It was agreed to start advertising for the position immediately and set the starting salary at \$43,500 and the new hire will also be granted the 6% cost of living increase starting January 1, 2024.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Krebs presented the Board with a design plan for the Hwy 10 overlay project SC-1728(056) CMC 1728. The bid opening date is set for November 7, 2023 at 11:30 am.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:04 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of September 2023:

Direct Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	September Payroll	
-87435	NDPERS		\$550.00
-87434	NDPERS		\$15,630.10
-87436	NDPHIT		\$29,776.00
-87437	MT Department of Revenue		\$91.00
-99745	JP Morgan		\$6,425.56
	North Dakota Tax Commissioner		
-99746	ND State Treasurer		\$985.24
84147	Golden Valley County Treasure	Transfer	\$7,256,000.00
84148	Burt Cook	Veteran's Service	\$201.00
84149	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
84150	Noll Construction	Blading	\$2,682.50
	SW Multi-County Corrections		
84151	Center	Prisoner Care	\$4,650.00
84152	Jeff Milburn	Reimbursement	\$420.00
84153	NDSU Extension	Salary	\$7,690.68
84154	Powerplan	Parts	\$164.40
84155	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Lease	\$441.99
84156	Cerberus Security, LLC	Contract	\$350.00

84157	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	\$1,034.00
84158	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Supplies	\$13,246.61
84159	BSC Student Finance	Lodging	\$825.00
84160	Software Innovation	Software	\$1,100.00
84161	GS Publishing, LLC	Publishing	\$536.52
84162	Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc	Floor Care	\$109.40
84163	Steel Auto Body LLC	Repair	\$1,192.90
84164	Patricia Davis	Travel	\$287.60
84165	Florence Sime	Uniforms	\$42.00
84166	Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center	Lodging	\$529.20
84167	Colonial Research	Supplies	\$177.00
84168	Sign Solutions USA	Supplies	\$402.61
84169	Void	Void	
84170	Henry Gerving	Training	\$2,022.60
84171	Fast Initial Response System	Supplies	\$645.91
84172	Marman Plumbing	Contract	\$13,940.00
84173	Boss Inc	Supplies	\$1,468.74
84174	Westlie Motor Company	Repair	\$570.96
84175	Prairie Lumber Beach	Supplies	\$149.00
84176	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$50.11
84177	Otis Elevator	Repair	\$1,215.00
84178	David Brookens	Contract	\$2,000.00
84179	Vivtech, LLC/Tab Electronics	Supplies	\$1,170.40
84180	Rachel Keohane	Travel	\$95.22
84181	Lawson Products	Parts	\$96.02
84182	Charbonneau Car Center	Repair	\$1,190.73
84183	Department of Transportation	Contract	\$5,930.77
84184	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	\$902.80
84185	Vizion Signs	Repair	\$920.00
84186	Steve Raisler	Veteran's Service	\$30.00
84187	True North Steel, Inc	Supplies	\$42,826.16
84188	John Deere Financial	Supplies	\$17.93
84189	Tamra Sperry	Travel	\$81.22
84190	Vanguard Appraisals	Service Fee	\$5,200.00
84191	Matthew Bender	Annual Updates	\$98.31
84192	RDO Equipment Co	Graders	\$733,100.00
84193	Gooseneck Implement	Supplies	\$66.04
84194	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	\$939.78
84195	MDU	Gas & Utilities	\$1,778.65

84196-			
84221	Collections Submitted		\$12,875.63
84222	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	\$40.00
84223	Farmers Union Oil	Repair/Fuel	\$1,968.69
84224	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Chemical	\$6,897.20
84225	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	\$1,410.05
84226	Eagles	Meeting	\$138.00
84227-			
84229	Library Disbursements		\$64.67
84230-			
84240	NDSU Extension Disbursements		\$687.90
84241	Beach Area Chamber of Commerce		10.00
84242-			
84250	September Payroll		15,584.00
84251-			
84256	Payroll Liabilities		27,435.04
84257	Café	Disbursements	300.00
84258	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.17
84259	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2,369.82
84260	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.32
84261	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	8.99

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 3, 2023 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko, Gene Hamilton and Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the September regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- One application was received for the Tax Director position. County Auditor Sperry will reach out to the applicant and set up a date and time to meet with the Board for an interview.
- Discussion was held on continuing contract services with Gerving in the Tax Directors office for training. Commissioner Schmeling moved to put training on hold with Gerving until the Tax Director position is filled and will then be reassessed as needed and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on outstanding checks in the First State Bank account #14060. Commissioner Smith moved to stop payment on the 8 checks in question and send \$68.43 to unclaimed property for 4 checks: #5025-\$7, #5050-\$10, #5079-\$21.43, #5124-\$30 and to re-issue the other 4 checks: #5139-\$729.15, #5140-\$694.09, #5153-\$226.01, #5162-\$374.39 in question totaling \$2,023.64 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved that the County will cover an employee's health/dental/vision premiums for an entire month even if an employee quits before the month was up as coverage ends, end of month following term date at which then the employee has the option to go on COBRA and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to sign the 2024 Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Beach in the amount of \$9,034 per month for services and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase the Auto-Safe feature for the elevator in the amount of \$10,900 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign a Joint Powers Agreement for services to have NDACo do the collection and distribution of 9-1-1 fees and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept 2 abatements on parcel #20-01-04504000 as the applicant qualifies for homestead credit and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Judy Johnson to the Golden Valley County Fair Board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to take Gene Skoglund off the Western Cooperative Bank account #260318 and add Auditor Sperry and Treasurer Loftsgard to the account and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to close account # 0934000837 at BMO as the account is not needed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- The Board will meet with the employees at the November 7th regular meeting to discuss Comp time.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- County Auditor informed the Board that the County was granted \$10,000 for transportation of veterans in highly rural areas. There are no delinquent tax properties for tax year 2020. Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept a bid from Leo Floer Electric to install heat/air conditioner units and do outlet work up to \$13,348.96 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

10 am was the advertised time for the public hearing on the proposed 2024 budgets and levies. Chairman Smith opened the meeting up for public input and there was none. Commissioner Schmeling move to approve the 2023 mill levies for 2024 taxes and 2024 budgets as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

General: \$270,000
 Council on Aging: \$32,012
 Veteran Service: \$8,000
 SW District Health Unit: \$56,022
 Road and Bridge: \$160,062
 Water Management: \$64,025
 Ambulance: \$208,081
 Extension Service: \$32,012
 County Airport: \$8,000
 Weed Control: \$64,025
 Library: \$64,025
 Soil Conservation: \$40,016
 GV Historical Society: \$4,002
 Jobs Development: \$10,000
 Sunrise Youth: \$3,757
 State Medical Levy: \$16,006
 Unorganized Townships:
 136-105 \$2,282
 136-106 \$1,750
 137-103 \$705
 138-103 \$1,196
 141-103 \$1,978

142-103 \$2,332
142-105 \$2,285
143-103 \$2,419
144-103 \$4,090

Zane Manhart and Renae Smith with the Fair Board met with the Board and presented them with an engineer's cost estimate on the projects up at the fairgrounds. Commissioner Farstveet moved to designate the remaining \$204,554 of the Recovery Fund money to add bathrooms to the blue building and Commissioner Smith seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-yes, Schmeling-no, Smith-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Zane Manhart as the County's delegate for the ND State Fair and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with the following zoning boards recommendation to approve:

- A. St. Mary's Church-Application for Zoning Certificate is to construct a new road approach and variance to replace existing fencing surrounding cemetery. Location-Parcel# 0065000, Sec 9-Twn 137-Rng-105.
- B. Hauck, Travis-Application for Zoning Certificate/Variance to construct a new 48' x 30' Grain Bin within a 100 feet of Township Road. Location-Parcel #02163500, Sec 32-Twn 139-Rng 105.
- C. Mark, Douglas & Catherine-Application for Zoning Certificate to construct a Single-Family Resident Home. Location-Parcel, Sec 23-Twn 140-Rng 103; Lot 29 Whiskey Springs, Medora ND.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the Zoning Boards recommendations as listed above and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Burt Cook to replace Jason Lee on the County Zoning Board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Krebs reminded the Board that at the regular November 7th meeting will be the bid opening for the Hwy 10 project. Wirtzfeld discussed the County's culvert policy for Townships where the County will furnish the culverts for the Townships upon request and approval. Dale Maus will be retiring and his last day will be October 31, 2023. It was agreed to have Wirtzfeld start advertising for a replacement.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 17, 2023 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet along with Stacey Swanson were present for the meeting.

There was 1 application received for the Tax Director position. Jared Ross was interviewed for the position. Discussion was held amongst the group. Ross left the meeting. After discussion Commissioner Farstveet moved to offer the position to Jared Ross at a starting salary of \$43,500 with the cost of living increase of 6% that was approved for all employees on January 1, 2024 and a 3% increase after the 6 month probation and another 3% increase after being certified as a Class II Assessor and another 3% increase after being certified as a Class I Assessor and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith called Ross and offered him the position and Ross will get back to the Board in the next day or two with his decision.

Ken Stedman with the Water Board joined the meeting. County Auditor Sperry played a recording of the conversation she had with Jared Mack from Eide Bailly in regards to the Water Board audit and them being a component of the County. Commissioner Schmeling moved to wait with doing the Water Board audit until the County conducts their next audit for 2022-2023 and do the Water Board audit with the County Audit and paid by the County and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the grant opportunity for state agencies and local governments affected by covered transmission projects which is defined as high voltage interstate lines and that is exactly what North Plains Connector is developing in ND and MT and runs through part of Golden Valley County. It was agreed that Chairman Smith will work with Terry Traynor and work on a concept paper with the list of projects the Board came up with which is due October 31, 2023 to the US Department of Energy.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of October 2023:

Direct		
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees October Payroll	\$65,351.58
-87404	NDPHIT	\$28,977.79
-87405	NDPERS	\$14,868.95
-87406	NDPERS	\$550.00
-87407	IRS	\$23,303.65
-87408	Vanguard	\$271.54
-87410	Void	Void

-87433	MT Department of Revenue		\$103.00
-99741	Pitney Bowes Postedge	Postage	\$500.00
-99742	JP Morgan		\$1,527.89
-99742	Void	Void	
-99743	ND Tax Commissioner		\$2,686.96
-99744	ND State Treasurer		\$954.64
84262	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
84263	Noll Construction	Blading	\$2,682.50
84264	Ashley Ueckert	Travel	\$200.43
84265	Golva Repair	Repair	\$129.50
84266	SW Multi-County Correction	Prisoner care	\$5,800.00
84267	Prairie Lumber Beach	Parts	\$124.24
84268	KLJ Engineering Inc	Road & Bridge	\$15,205.70
84269	Kim Obrigewitch	Cleaning	\$55.00
84270	Uniform Center	Uniforms	\$87.96
		Service	
84271	Armor Interactive	Agreement	\$1,034.00
84272	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Fuel	\$16,561.18
84273	Farm & Home Publishers	Plat Books	\$270.00
84274	Cassandra Szudera	Travel	\$78.60
84275	Leo Floer Electric	Repair	\$5,205.55
84276	Murtha Law Office	Legal Fees	\$1,200.00
84277	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	\$892.65
84278	Burt Cook	Veteran's Service	\$200.00
84279	Steve Raisler	Veteran's Service	\$90.00
84280	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	\$2,513.45
84281	Tyler Technologies	Contract	\$245.04
84282	Onsolve, LLC	Renewal	\$2,840.25
84283	UnPlugged	Repair	\$385.00
84284	Boss Inc	Supplies	\$963.79
84285	Dak Insurance	Insurance	\$344.00
84286	Dakota Dust-Tex Inc	Floor Care	\$96.30
84287	Troy Tescher	Travel	\$32.75
84288	Darin Maus	Travel	\$17.03
84289	CNA Surety Direct Bill	Insurance	\$50.00
84290	Sidwell	Software	\$7,000.00
84291	GV County Treasure	Transfer	\$4,614,000.00
84292	John Deere Financial	Parts	\$7,336.59
84293	Streicher's Inc	Supplies	\$179.99
84294	Dakota Supply Group	Repair	\$6,269.82
84295	Silha Funeral Home	Supplies	\$683.50

84296	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$45.26
84297	Butler Machinery Company	Parts	\$192.40
84298	Wallwork Truck Center	Parts	\$94.35
84299	True North Steel, Inc	Supplies	\$34,459.00
84300	Matthew Bender	Renewal Service	\$915.57
84301	Fireside Office Solutions	Agreement	\$107.94
84302	Eide Bailly LLP	Audit	\$20,000.00
84303	Otis Elevator Company	Repair	\$10,900.00
84304-84332	Collections Submitted		\$36,303.72
84333	US Postal Service	Rent	\$118.00
84334	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	\$746.10
84335	MDU	Electricity & Gas	\$1,830.90
84336	O5 Motorsports LLC	Parts	\$129.63
84337	Gloria Stockwell	Refund	\$166.57
84338	RTC Network	Phone & Internet	\$1,475.60
84339	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	\$40.00
84340	Farmers Union Oil	Repair/Fuel	\$784.73
84341	Warne Chemical & Equipment	Chemical	\$475.77
84342-84343	Library Disbursements		\$79.27
84344-84353	October Payroll		\$15,064.24
84354	Void	Void	
84355-84357	Payroll Liabilities		\$2,730.54
84358	Void	Void	
84359	October Payroll		2,441.26
84360	Payroll Liabilities		815.83
84361	Void	Void	
84362	Café		300.00
84363	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2,110.44
84364	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.38
84365	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Chemical	1,096.00
84366	Verizone	Cell Phone	367.46

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 7, 2023 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the October regular and special meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to increase County 911/Office Support Carla Beeler's wage by \$1/hour effective for the December 18th payroll period and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to set a wage increase of 3% to those employees that complete their 6 month introductory/probationary period and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 14

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION
AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK REGARDING THE
INTRODUCTORY PERIOD POTENTIAL PAY INCREASE

WHEREAS, the County has an Employee Handbook which outlines the introductory period for employees, which is stated as follows:

The County uses this period to evaluate employee capabilities, attitude, and work habits. Either the employee or the County may end the employment within this period without advance notice.

All new and rehired employees work on an introductory basis for the first six (6) months after their date of hire, unless a different time period is designated. Any significant absence will automatically extend the introductory period by the length of the absence. If the County determines that the designated introductory period does not allow sufficient time to thoroughly evaluate the employee, the County may extend the introductory period for a specified period.

Introductory employees will assume the status of a regular full-time or regular part-time employee upon satisfactory completion of the introductory period. During the

introductory period, new employees are eligible for those benefits that are required by law, such as workers' compensation insurance and Social Security. Additionally, new employees are also eligible to receive health insurance benefits. See the County Auditor for clarification of these benefit provisions.

WHEREAS, the County desires to amend its policy regarding the introductory period for employees to offer a potential pay increase after the successful completion of the introductory period, and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Golden Valley County hereby amend the Introductory Period of the Employee Handbook as follows:

INTRODUCTORY PERIOD

The County uses this period to evaluate employee capabilities, attitude, and work habits. Either the employee or the County may end the employment within this period without advance notice.

All new and rehired employees work on an introductory basis for the first six (6) months after their date of hire, unless a different time period is designated. Any significant absence will automatically extend the introductory period by the length of the absence. If the County determines that the designated introductory period does not allow sufficient time to thoroughly evaluate the employee, the County may extend the introductory period for a specified period.

Introductory employees will assume the status of a regular full-time or regular part-time employee upon satisfactory completion of the introductory period. **Upon successful completion of the introductory period, employee may be entitled to an increase in pay as determined by the Board of County Commissioners.** During the introductory period, new employees are eligible for those benefits that are required by law, such as workers' compensation insurance and Social Security.

New employees are also eligible to receive health insurance, which shall be effective the first month following the date of hire along with other NDPHIT offered benefits. New employees are also eligible to receive dental and vision benefits, which shall be effective the first or sixteenth of the month, whichever is closest to the date of hire.

See the County Auditor for clarification of these benefit provisions.

Dated this 7th day of November 2023.

APPROVED:

Adam Smith, Chairman
Board of Commissioners
County of Golden Valley

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry
Golden Valley County Auditor

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve an abatement on parcel #21-01-01248000 for 2021 and 2022 as the applicant qualifies for homestead credits and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to table the decision on an abatement on parcel #04631000 until a reassessment can be completed on the property and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- The December regular meeting is December 14, 2023 and the Board has set the final meeting for 2023 on December 28, 2023 at 10 am.
- Commissioner Smith made a motion to cancel the following outstanding warrants, per NDCC 11-25-05 versus sending the amounts to unclaimed property as previously approved at the October regular meeting and Commissioner Farstveet seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer Checks on Account #15-628

<u>Warrant #:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Issued to:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
5025	12-19-17	Blackbear Resources V, LLC	\$7.00
5050	10-08-18	Cobra Oil & Gas Corp.	\$10.00
5079	01-09-20	David Madzo	\$21.43
5124	10-06-21	North Country Exploration-Sweetwater, LLC	\$30.00

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase a membership with Vision West ND for 2024 at the Associate level for \$200 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to the County joining Dakota Prairie Grasslands as a cooperating agency to prepare for travel management planning on the Little Missouri National Grasslands. County Auditor will set up a time at the December 14th regular meeting to meet with them to further discuss.
- The Board agreed to allow Candie Loftsgard to purchase the extra gallon of floor paint at the cost of what the County paid for \$68.50.

Rachel Keohane, Gloria Padilla, Carla Beeler, Mark Egan and Pete Wirtzfeld joined the meeting.

Discussion was held on comp time. The County does not currently have a comp time policy. It was agreed to leave it the way it currently is with no comp time policy.

Weed Control Officer Mark Egan met with the Board to discuss snow removal and storage for the equipment. It was agreed to hire Jordan Tescher to do the snow removal and States Attorney Wenko will draft a lease agreement for the equipment storage with Clay and Eric Farstveet for \$1,000/year.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed.

11:30 am was the advertised time to open bids for project CP-1728(23)01-Highway 10 over lay. 4 bids were presented to the Board, they are as follows: Northern Improvement Company, Dickinson ND \$4,250,500.19; Knife River, Bismarck ND \$4,796,055.00; Mayo Construction Company, Inc., Cavalier ND \$3,903,850,.84 and Central Specialties Incorporated, Alexandria MN \$4,162,928.63. Commissioner Schmeling made a motion to tentatively award Mayo Construction Company, Inc. with the bid pending review and recommendations from Andrew Krebs with KLJ and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 11:53 A.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of November 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	November Payroll	\$70,404.44
-87376	MT Department of Revenue		\$134.00
-87377	Vanguard		\$271.54
-87378	Ascensus		\$7.26
-87379	NDPHIT		\$28,239.88
-87380	NDPERS		\$15,985.32
-87381	NDPERS		\$550.00
-87382	IRS		\$27,640.82
-99739	Void		Void
-99740	ND State Treasurer		\$1,129.14
-99735	JP Morgan		\$3,464.39
84367-84392	Collections Submitted		\$41,559.98
84393	Void		Void
84394	Rohans	Supplies	\$13.16
84395	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	\$438.41
84396	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
84397	Lone Tree Township	Culverts	\$3,802.00
84398	Golva Repair	Repairs	\$1,702.00
84399	SW Multi-County Correction	Prisoner Care	\$9,150.00
84400	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	\$1,034.00
84401	Burt Cook	Veteran Service	\$270.00
84402	ND One call	Locate Request	\$1.30
84403	Rachel Keohane	Travel	\$209.60
84404	Uniform Center	Uniforms	\$171.00
84405	GS Publishing	Publishing	\$1,578.92

84406	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Repair	\$7,297.15
84407	NDSU Extension	Salary	\$6,009.58
84408	Candie Loftsgard	Travel	\$248.90
84409	Carla Beeler	Travel	\$229.60
84410	Radisson Hotel	Lodging	\$674.10
84411	ND State Radio Communications	Lines	\$8,772.75
84412	Ashely Ueckert	Travel	\$920.67
84413	Prairie Lumber	Parts	\$23.98
84414	Reservation Telephone	Phones	\$13,671.46
84415	Red Rock Ford	Repairs	\$574.93
84416	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	\$190.95
84417	Secretary of State	Notary	\$36.00
84418	ND 911 Association	Dues	\$100.00
84419	Steve Raisler	Veteran Service	\$290.00
84420	NW Tire Inc	Tires	\$613.53
84421	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$119.35
84422	Eide Bailly LLP	Audit	\$18,500.00
84423	Dakota Supply Group	Repairs	\$1,247.19
84424	Total Safety	Supplies	\$170.00
84425	Tamra Sperry	Travel	\$231.60
84426	GV County Weed Board	Spraying	\$21,698.14
84427	Leo Floer Electric	Repairs	\$12,604.87
84428	Jim Fulton	RipRap	\$300.00
84429	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Lease	\$441.99
84430	Cerberus Security	Contract	\$175.00
84431	Kim Obrigewitch	Contract	\$25.00
84432	Everspring Inn & Suites	Lodging	\$385.20
84433	Texas Refinery Corp	Supplies	\$482.50
84434	Information Technology	Data Processing	\$1,785.30
84435	Boss Inc	Supplies	\$335.81
84436	Robert Schmeling	Travel	\$8,303.17
84437	NDWCA	Dues/Education	\$475.00
84438	GS Publishing	Publishing	\$40.00
84439	Westlie Motor Company	Repairs	\$39.84
84440	Sidwell	Software	\$3,240.86
84441	Noll Construction	Contract	\$435.00
84442	Gloria Padilla	Mileage	\$79.91
84443	Gene Padilla	Repairs	\$100.00
84444	Baker Metal and Recycling	Supplies	\$651.00
84445	Office of Attorney General	24/7	\$515.00
84446	Adam Smith	Travel	\$220.10

84447	Warne Chemical & Equipment	Supplies	\$377.27
84448	HKT Big Sky Motors	Repairs	89.95
84449	MDU	Electricity & Gas	1,814.16
84450	RTC Network	Phone & Internet	1,484.42
84451	Collections Submitted		174.96
84452	John Schillo	Tax Refund	752.87
84453	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Repair	871.74
84454-84456	Library Disbursements		224.92
84457	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2,269.52
84458	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
84459-84469	November Payroll		24,810.90
84470-84473	Payroll Liabilities		3,819.74
84474	Café		300.00
84475	AT&T	Cell Phone	114.38
84476	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.44

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 14, 2023 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting along with Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Commissioner Adam Smith as the Chair for 2024 and Commissioner Schmeling as the Vice Chair for 2024 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Carla Beeler joined the meeting.

States Attorney Christina Wenko joined the meeting.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the November regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- The date and time for the final meeting of the year is December 28th at 10 am.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to sign the consulting agreement with Stacey Swanson to do Director of Tax Equalization training when the position is filled and prepare the County for the 2024 assessment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Follow up conversation was held on an abatement on parcel #04631000 that was presented at the November regular meeting. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve in part and reject in part as they do not accept the applicants requested taxable valuation however the Board did take into consideration the inspection done by Stacey Swanson and her recommendation to reduce the taxable valuation from \$4,941 to \$2,615 based on the condition of the structure on the property and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve an abatement on parcel #00544000 as the structure is being taxed and is vacant and unlivable and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to continue with having 1 precinct and keeping the Beach City Hall as the polling place for the 2024 election and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- The County will observe the Christmas Holiday on December 22nd and 25th.
- Commissioner Smith moved to sign a letter for the City of Beach for water, sewer and street infrastructure and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the following Zoning Board recommendation: McKenzie Electric Cooperative (MEC) requests a conditional use permit to rebuild single-phase overhead power lines in existing corridors for McKenzie Electric south single-phase overhead line rebuild project in Section 1-144-103, along Beaver Creek Road and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve and sign the building lease with Clay and Eric Farstveet for weed control equipment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to turn the 2017 Chevrolet Equinox that was purchased back in 2017 with Billings County before Social Services was a zone to the Badlands Human Services Zone as Billings County was also in agreement and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with an applicant for the Tax Director's position. Sperry will reach out to the applicant and set up an interview.
- Hourly wages for employees were discussed. No action was taken at this time and will be addressed at the December 28th final meeting.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board for the Chairman's signature the SW District Health Unit Mill Levy for the year ending December 31, 2024.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept a quote from Leo Floer Electric to bring some electrical issues up to code in various offices for \$2,251.48 and another quote to replace light fixtures in the court house for \$7,002. 50 and complete the project in 2024 and pay out of the capital outlay budget and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Roger Clemens met with the Board to discuss the placement of 4 way flashing stop signs at the intersection of Hwy 10 and County Road 11. Commissioner Smith moved to approve putting the flashing stop and warning signs in place and funding of the project will be determined after information is collected on the cost of the project and possible grant funding and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Misty Hays with the US Forest Service along with Rob Schilling-deputy ranger, Kelly Arnston-administration staff with US Forest Service and Kate Kenninger and Mac Herrera with Dakota Prairie Grasslands met with the Board to discuss the County joining a cooperating agency with the Dakota Prairie Grasslands for travel management. Commissioner Farstveet moved to join in the cooperating agency and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to inform them that the new radios that were to be purchased in 2023 will not happen until 2024. Discussion was also held on the Opioid Funds the County receives. No action was taken. Commissioner Schmeling approved the following resolution and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 15

The County Commission authorizes the Sheriff to expend the Back the Blue Grant Funds approved in House Bill 1307 which was passed by the 2023 Legislature, per the categories outlined as follows: Funding may be used for providing hiring and retention bonuses to new and

current law enforcement and correctional officers and providing tuition and fee payments on behalf of law enforcement trainees.

APPROVED:

Adam Smith, Chairman
Board of Commissioners
County of Golden Valley

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry
Golden Valley County Auditor

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Commissioner Farstveit moved to approve the following resolution and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 16

WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$ 1,692,763.43 from Northern Improvement Company received in the bid opening of November 17, 2023 for Project SC-1728(056) was the low bid received.

WHEREAS, this bid is considered reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of GOLDEN VALLEY County will award to Northern Improvement Company the contract for Project SC-1728(056) and hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign said contract.

It is further understood that the County shall reimburse the North Dakota Department of Transportation for any payments made under this contract, which are not collectible from the Federal Highway Administration.

ATTEST:

County Auditor

Chairman, Board of County
Commissioners
County: GOLDEN VALLEY

This is to certify that the above resolution was adopted and passed at a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners at Golden Valley County on December 14, 2023 .

County Auditor

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:32 P.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
DECEMBER 28, 2023 10:00 A.M.**

Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gary Howard with the Golden Valley County News.

Commissioner Farstveet had asked the States Attorney a status update on the pending investigation involving the Soil Conservation District.

County Auditor gave the Board an update on the status of the 2020-2021 audit.

Ollie Golberg with Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch met with the Board to renew his beer and liquor license for 2024. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the renewal of the beer and liquor license for 2024 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the final vouchers for payment and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Brooklyn Golberg to replace Judy Ridenhower for a 3 year term to the Library Board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on employee wages. No action was taken and will be addressed at the upcoming January 2, 2024 regular meeting.
- Chairman Smith signed the contract and bond from Northern Improvement Co. for project PCN 23926 SC-1728(56) Hwy 10 overlay.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the following expenditure budget amendments as listed below and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the following revenue budget amendments as listed below and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

1. Expenditure Budgets

- a. County Road and Bridge-\$38,000 engineering costs not budgeted for
- b. Special Assessment-\$50 tax abatement/refunds issued
- c. Road Reserve-\$510,000 bank head jones payment came in higher therefor disbursing more than budgeted for
- d. Capital Outlay-\$50,000-phone system, generator repairs, and computer replacements not budgeted for
- e. 24/7-\$180-more users on the program than anticipated
- f. Unorganized township-\$154,000 for work billed out by the special county road department

2. Revenue Budgets

- a. Special County Road-\$180,000 additional work done to unorganized townships
- b. County HT-\$56,000-items sold not budgeted for and state aide under budgeted
- c. BLM-\$3,500 BLM royalty payment came in higher than expected
- d. Emergency-\$1,100 state aide came in higher than expected
- e. Library CD-\$200 interest received was higher than expected
- f. Road Reserve-\$2,700,000 bank head jones came in higher than expected
- g. County Agent-\$1,000 underestimated the amount from Billings County for their share of the budget
- h. General-\$50,000 task force reimbursement and LATCF funds received and not budgeted for
- i. 24/7-\$1,500 more users on the program than anticipated
- j. HB 1066-\$1,296,649 funds received and not budgeted for
- k. Unorganized Townships-\$82,500 HB 1066 funds received and not budgeted for

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 10:46 A.M

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of December 2023:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	December Payroll	\$58,298.65
-87349	Vanguard		\$271.54
-87350	NDPERS		\$550.00
-87351	MT Department of Revenue		\$119.00
-87352	NDPERS		\$13,766.05
-87353	NDPHIT		\$29,528.14
-87354	IRS		\$21,456.58
-99730	ND Tax Commissioner		\$2,637.35
-99731	JP Morgan		\$370.36
-99732	JP Morgan		\$1,517.01
-99733	First State Bank	Stop Payment	\$30.00
-99734	Post Board		\$45.00
-99736	Pitney Bowes Postedge		\$500.00
-99737	ND State Treasurer		\$988.56
84477	HKT Big Sky Motors		\$114.12
84478-			
84501	Collections Submitted		\$12,099.20
84502	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	\$428.00
84503	MDU	Electricity & Gas	\$3,514.38
84504	Collections Submitted		\$184.36

84505	Office of Attorney General	24/7	\$80.00
84506	GV County States Attorney	Legal Fees	\$1,358.33
84507	Blue 360 Media	Education	\$302.22
		Vehicle	
84508	Code 4 Service Inc	Maintenance	\$14,265.70
84509	Uniform Center	Uniforms	\$594.96
84510	KLJ Engineering	Road & Bridge	\$17,006.96
84511	Zane Manhart	Reimbursement	\$317.02
84512	City of Golva	Bulk Water	\$116.40
84513	John Deere Financial	Parts	\$147.06
84514	Jason Lee	Travel	\$10.48
84515	Burt Cook	Travel	\$11.14
84516	Darin Maus	Travel	\$17.03
84517	Troy Tescher	Travel	\$32.75
84518	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	\$125.74
84519	Burt Cook	Veterans Services	\$380.00
84520	Steve Raisler	Veterans Services	\$57.00
84521	Sidwell	Tax tech service	\$800.00
	West Dakota Parent & Family		
84522	Resource	Education	\$1,284.85
84523	ND Association of Counties	Conference	\$2,085.00
84524	GV County Treasure	Insurance	\$318.00
84525	Cerberus Security	Contract	\$175.00
84526	Matthew Bender & Co	Updates	\$220.11
84527	CNH Industrial Accounts	Parts	\$1,089.00
84528	Dakota Dust-Tex Inc	Floor Care	\$858.90
84529	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	\$2,100.00
84530	Noll Construction	Contract	\$797.50
84531	Golva Repair	Repair	\$952.75
84532	Streicher's Inc	Supplies	\$223.49
84533	Leo Floer Electric	Repair	\$473.20
84534	Prairie Lumber	Supplies	\$409.94
84535	Mark Egan	Reimbursement	\$34.66
84536	Information Technology	Data Processing	\$892.65
84537	Boss Inc	Supplies	\$233.86
84538	Farmers Union Oil	Supplies	\$18,930.98
84539	Rachel Keohane	Travel	\$99.15
84540	Clay Farstveet	Lease	\$500.00
84541	Eric Farstveet	Lease	\$500.00
84542	Stacey Swanson	Contract	\$1,500.00
84543	GV County Treasure		\$89,892.23

84544	Goldenwest Electric Cooperative	Electricity	\$1,189.60
84545	Ashley Ueckert	Travel	\$953.48
84546	Dawn Ueckert	Reimbursement	\$96.22
84547	GS Publishing	Publishing	\$544.76
84548	Armor Interactive	Contract/Computer	\$2,643.84
84549	SW District Health Unit		\$6,500.00
84550	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	\$40.00
84551	RTC	Phone & Internet	\$1,509.60
84552-			
84556	Library Disbursements		\$1,930.14
84557-			
84566	December Payroll		\$15,408.72
84567-			
84570	Payroll Liabilities		\$3,529.19
84571	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	\$114.38
84572	Café	Café	300.00
84573	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	\$1,508.64
84574	Steele Auto Body	Repair	622.15
84575	Darin Maus	Travel	17.03
84576	Troy Tescher	Travel	32.75
84577	CT Electric LLC	Repair	1,930.40
84578	Lawson Products	Parts	65.92
84579	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	408.00
84580	Boss Inc	Supplies	205.82
84581	John Deere Financial	Parts	330.96
84582	Tescher Fencing LLC	Contract	661.25
84583	Powerplan	Parts	7,466.75
84584	Carla Beeler	Travel	356.80
84585	Linstar	Supplies	200.00
84586	Stacey Swanson	Contract	1,500.00
84587	Westlie Motor Company	Repair	65.22
84588	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	114.71
84589	Farmers Union Oil	Parts & Fuel	4,019.62
84590	Rocky Mountain Print Solutions	Supplies	165.54
84591	KLJ Engineering	Rd & Bridge	727.46
84592	Software Innovations	Technology	950.00
84593	Postle Industries Inc	Supplies	1,560.00
84594	Gerald Streitz	Royalty	16,858.18
84595	David Streitz	Royalty	16,858.19
84596	Golden Valley County Treasurer	transfer & Postage	230,083.16
84597	Wayne Streitz	Royalty	16,858.19

84598	J P Steel & Supply Inc	Parts	319.68
84599	Sheryl Fischer	Royalty	16,858.19
84600	HKT Big Sky Motors	Supplies	84.49
84601	Verizon	Cell Phone	367.50

ATTEST

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners