

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
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COUNTY OF GOLDEN VALLEY)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 6, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners Harley Steffen and John Thompson were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the December minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to reappoint Dave Quale as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to reappoint John Thompson as Vice-Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and Commissioner Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Commissioner Steffen to the County Airport Board, to replace former Commissioner Bares, and Commissioner Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Commissioner Steffen to the County Social Service Board, to replace former Commissioner Bares, and Commissioner Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The following Resolutions were adopted by the Board:

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve an Abatement Application for Michael Bingeman, on Lots 1,2 and 3 of Block 15 of Glen Haven Addition to the City of Beach,

due to the structure on this property having been torn down in 2007, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Service Award Program that they have implemented for 2007 before it is distributed to all the employees.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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FEBRUARY 3, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the January minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding meeting fees for the Social Service Board.

Two Homestead Credit Abatement Applications were presented to the Board that qualified for Homestead Credit for the 2008 tax year. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve these Homestead Credit abatements and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board set February 26th at 1:00 P.M. for the date and time of the annual County/Township meeting.

The Board reviewed the following Treasurer's Bi-annual report:

**GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER
Beach, North Dakota**

Ledger balance for period 7-1-08 through 12-31-2008

BALANCE 7-1-2008	\$4,756,606.39		
JULY COLLECTIONS	\$252,371.41	JULY PAYMENTS	\$213,369.45
AUG. COLLECTIONS	\$244,734.98	AUG. PAYMENTS	\$377,838.30
SEPT. COLLECTIONS	\$386,788.59	SEPT. PAYMENTS	\$196,555.13
OCT. COLLECTIONS	\$318,103.18	OCT. PAYMENTS	\$325,562.65
NOV. COLLECTIONS	\$257,388.28	NOV. PAYMENTS	\$263,304.12
DEC. COLLECTIONS	\$1,336,465.86	DEC. PAYMENTS	\$880,945.88
		BALANCE 12-31-2008	\$5,294,883.16
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TOTAL	\$7,552,458.69		\$7,552,458.69

BALANCE 12-31-2008	\$5,294,883.16	BANK DEPOSITS	\$938,735.33
		LIBR. CD & SAVINGS	\$ 70,292.64
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$3,741,599.88
		CASH ITEMS	\$ 86.64
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$536,813.50
		CASH ON HAND	\$ 7,355.17

TOTAL

\$5,294,833.15

\$5,294,883.16

GOLDEN VALLEY CO. TREASURER

County Agent Ashley Krause met with the Board to inform them that 3 members have resigned from the Fair Board and they are looking for replacements for this board. The Fair Board also moved the Fair dates back to August 22nd and 23rd for various reasons. Ashley informed the Board that her annual evaluation will be held February 27th and she would like at least one Commissioner to attend.

Sheriff Scott Steele met with the Board to discuss setting up a committee to try to set up some type of salary schedule that takes into consideration longevity and cost of living raises. A meeting will be called with all department heads and a commissioner in the near future. Steele also informed the Board that Workforce Safety is requiring that all deputies have a medical exam every so many years. Steele is to put this requirement together to be added to the Sheriff Department's Policy and get back to the Board.

The Board discussed HB1057 regarding the Veteran's Home & Department of Veteran's Affairs employees and possible requirements this bill address'.

911 Coordinator Stacey Heckaman met with the Board regarding a bill for the delivery and set up of a siren for the City of Golva that she would like to pay out of the 911 fund. After some discussion Commissioner Thompson made a motion to amend the 2009 911 miscellaneous budget by \$2500.00, to have some monies available for the siren and future emergency services infrastructure according to the Emergency Services Expenditure Guidelines, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board to discuss engineering bills, the Highway 10 and VVV Road projects.

Steve Dorval from Heartland Engineering met with the Board to introduce his new partner Ted Billadeau and to let the Board know that they are working for various counties in this area so they were wondering if the County might be interested in their services. They also discussed the Economic Recovery Package for infrastructure.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

ATTEST:

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the February minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

States Attorney Charles Peterson updated the Board on cases he is currently handling for the County and informed the group that his Mackoff, Kellogg Law Office in Dickinson has moved to 38 2nd Ave East.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Charlie Schaal to the County Zoning Board, to replace Joel Erickson who resigned, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve a raffle permit for Home on the Range and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to replace Commissioner Thompson with Commissioner Quale as the County's representative on the Community Action Board and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

County Agent Ashley Krause to request that Teresa Swanson be appointed to the Fair Board. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Teresa Swanson to the County Fair Board, to replace Audrey Schieffer who resigned, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Quale informed the group that he and Commissioner Steffen were present for Ashley's annual evaluation of her job performance which was very satisfactory.

At 11:00 A.M. The Board adjourned as the Board of County Commissioners and convened as the County Park Board.

Commissioners Quale, Thompson and Steffen and Kim Nunberg met as the County Park Board. Board member Brian Keohane was unable to attend. Richard Volesky from the GV News attended this part of the meeting. John Kouba and Ashley Krause requested \$750.00 for the Fair for entertainment at the fair and repairs on the red building and \$100.00 for the 4-H Youth Activity Day. Janie Rathbun representing the Beach Park Board requested \$5000.00 for repairs on the Beach swimming pool. Walter Losinski requested \$1000.00 for entertainment for the Beach Centennial on behalf of Spirit of the West Committee. Jim Groll requested \$3000.00 on behalf of the Beach Golf Assn. for seed, fertilizer and bridge repair at the golf course. Rick Olson requested \$1000.00 plus for updating the air conditioning in the Sentinel Butte gym. Bobbie Maus requested \$2000.00 for a door on the WP Building, money to match a grant for play ground equipment and for their annual fireworks display. There was also a letter read from

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the March minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

Deb Walworth and Cory McCaskey from Prairie West Development and Pastor Paul Peterson and Fr. David Richter from Stateline Ministerial Assn. met with the Board to discuss the Commercial Rental Lease for Prairie West and the Learning Center that has expired. Pastor Paul informed the group that Stateline Ministerial has put around \$19,000.00 into renovations in this building. After some discussion Commissioner Thompson made a motion to enter into a new contract between Golden Valley County and Stateline Ministerial Assn. which will automatically renew every year, unless terminated by either party with a 90 day notice, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10:00 A.M. was the advertised time for the opening of bids on the renovations for the Sheriff's garage. Sheriff Scott Steele was present for the bid opening. Only one bid was received and it was from Mann Remodelers of Dickinson. The bid was \$25,993.00 for everything that was on the spec sheet plus they will tin the east, west and north sides of the garage. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept the bid from Mann Remodelers for the entire project at \$25,993.00 and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Sheriff Steele also informed the Board that Deputy Dan Whitcomb will be leaving the middle of April and former Deputy Cody Johnson will be coming back the middle of April. He has also hired a deputy by the name of Jonathan Mall.

The Board was presented 2 Limited Fiber Optic Cable Easements from Midstate Communications. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve these easements between Golden Valley County and Midstate Communications, which will run along or across county road right of ways in Sections 4, 5, 8, 17, 18, 19 & 20 in Twp. 140-104: Sections 19, 30, 31, 32 & 33 in Twp. 141-103: Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34 & 36 in Twp. 141-104: Sections 25, 26, 27 & 36 in Twp. 137-104 and Sections 30, 31, 32 & 33 in Twp. 137-103 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Director Stacey Heckaman met with the Board to present an application for a pipeline permit for Bear Paw Energy, LLC. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve this pipeline permit for Bear Paw Energy, LLC in Sections 19, 20, 28 and 29 in Twp. 144 Range 103 and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Emanuel Culman owner of the Bijou Show House met with the Board to inform them of a letter to the Editor he is putting in the newspapers regarding the future of his show house and other possibilities he is looking into for using the show house.

Larry Helvick, Superintendent of the Beach School District, Julie Zook, Principal of Lone Tree School District, Gene Weinreis and Linda Stoveland, members of the Lone Tree School Board and Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board to discuss the disbursement of the PILT (Payment in lieu of Taxes) monies. The PILT Payment came in at \$1,085,289.08 for 2009. The formula that had been set up gave the schools 10% of the payment with 7 ½ % going to the Beach School District and 2 ½ % going to the Lone Tree School District based on Forest Service

House Bill 1304 was discussed regarding the mandated 10 road mills that must be in place in order for the County entities to receive the oil & gas revenues from the State.

County Employees Susan Davidson, Patty Thompson and Stacey Heckaman met with the Board to discuss the County entering a float for the Beach Centennial Parade. Stacey showed the group some outdoor signs she would like to have made up that could be used various times by the County. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve of paying for these signs and some candy for the parade, out of the General Contingency Fund, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve of a waterline easement between Golden Valley County and Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company for a waterline to cross 49th Street SW in the SE ¼ of Section 6-137-105 and the NE ¼ of Section 7-137-105, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to re-record a pipeline easement between the County and Bear Paw Energy to add the NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 24-144-103 to the easement and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to purchase a new water cooler for the courthouse out of the General Contingency Fund and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DES Director Kitty Knapkewicz met with the Board to update them on the swine flu outbreak, repairs needed for the ham radio and a workshop she plans to attend in Bismarck June 2nd and 3rd.

Rod Kenner and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. and Custodian Al Miller met with the Board to discuss some ADA plans for the courthouse. Kenner will get back to the Board with some estimates at a later date.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the board regarding the Old Hwy 10 project and other road department issues.

2:00 P.M. was the advertised time for the bid openings for a truck and trailer. Mark Feland and Greg Ditsworth from RDO Equipment Co. were present for the bid openings along with Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld. Bids were received from Wallwork Truck Center of Bismarck on a truck and trailer, from RDO Truck Centers of Fargo on a truck, from Peterbuilt of Fargo, Inc. on a truck and from RDO Equipment Co. of Bismarck on a trailer. The Board reviewed the bids and Commissioner Thompson made a motion to table a decision on the bids until the Road Foreman had time to look them over and compare all the specs and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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MAY 20, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioner John Thompson was present along with Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld. Commissioner Steffen was absent.

The purpose of this special meeting was to make a decision on the truck and trailer bids that were opened at the May 5, 2009 meeting. Commissioner Quale made a motion to remove the bids from the table and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After reviewing the specs and warranties with the Road Foreman, Commissioner Quale made a motion to accept the bid from Wallwork Truck Center of Bismarck on the Kenworth truck, based on the criteria of the bid specs and past history, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After reviewing the specs on the trailers, Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept the bid from RDO Equipment Company of Bismarck on the Midland trailer due to the advertised specs and warranty and Commissioner Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

These purchases will be paid out of the County Road Reserve Fund which will be reimbursed with the Oil Impact Grant monies.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 9:45 A.M.

ATTEST:

Cecilia Stedman, Auditor

David L. Quale, Chairman, Co. Commissioners



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JUNE 2, 2009 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve the May minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

States Attorney Peterson updated the Board on cases his office is currently handling for the County.

The Board was presented with a bill from Roughrider Industries for new benches and tables for the courtroom. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Capital Outlay Reserve Budget by \$4042.00 for this bill and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to pay the Roughrider Industries bill out of the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. This purchase is part of a court facilities improvement grant and the County will be reimbursed 75% of this expense.

The Board was informed that Dane Silvernale is no longer a deputy coroner for the County Coroner's Office. On County Coroner John Foster's recommendation, Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Tyler Silha as a Deputy Coroner to replace Silvernale and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding HB 1304. Treasurer Gene Skoglund was present for this discussion. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to convert 10 mills from the General Fund to the County Road & Bridge, by reducing the General levy by 10 mills and increasing the Road & Bridge levy by 10 mills to comply with HB 1304, effective with the 2009 levies, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The new state per diem goes to \$63.00 for lodging as of August 1, 2009. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend Resolution 2009-5 to increase the County's lodging rates from \$55.00 to \$63.00 effective August 1, 2009 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Auditor asked the Board for a pay increase for the Deputy Auditor/Treasurer due to the fact that she will also be helping out in the Sheriff's Office when Carol Weidner is out due to illness. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to increase Carrie Law's wages from \$11.13 to \$11.50, effective with the June payroll, due to the new duties she has undertaken and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

County Agent Ashley Ueckert and Jennifer Ullich Extension Agent for the Family Nutrition Program met with the Board for Jennifer to meet the Board and explain the program. Jennifer stated that the funding for this program is through Federal dollars that are matched with in-kind

dollars from the County and State. Chairman Quale signed the annual County Support Summary for this program. Ueckert also visited with the Board regarding a rural development grant that the Fair Board is pursuing that would need to be sponsored by the County. The Board agreed to sponsor this grant.

Discussion was held regarding the Social Service Board. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Maurice Hardy, to replace John Thompson, on the County Social Service Board and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Scott Steele met with the Board to update them on various issues in the Sheriff's department. Steele also informed the Board that ND law allows 20 work days' leave of absence each calendar year without pay loss for members of the National Guard when the employee is ordered to active noncivilian employment. Therefore Deputy Cody Johnson is entitled to this pay for 2009 and Steele would be for the year 2004. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to pay Steele and Johnson this pay out of the General

Contingency Fund and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Tax & Zoning Director Stacey Heckaman met with the Board and States Attorney regarding some zoning issues and ordinances. It was decided that Commissioner Thompson will be the negotiator for the VVV road project negotiations.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to give the SW District Health Unit's Health Maintenance Program \$3700.00 for 2010 and Commissioner Quale seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

1:00 P.M. was the advertised time for the annual County Equalization Meeting. Tax Director Stacey Heckaman explained the changes that were made for the 2009 taxes. Stacey stated that ag lands will see a 2% increase and residential and commercial would not see any increases in values.

The Board met as the Unorganized Township Board. Commissioner Thompson made a motion that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and found properly assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Thompson made a motion that a finding be made that they have reviewed all Exemption Applications and Homestead Credit Applications and found them proper as presented or corrected in the minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for the Unorganized Townships for 2009 have been reviewed and found proper as assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion that based on the preceding motions, they declare the Assessment Roll for 2009 for the Unorganized Townships equalized and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to adjourn as the Unorganized

Township Board at 2:00 P.M. and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board then met as the County Equalization Board. Stacey reviewed various modifiers and changes with the Board. Commissioner Quale made a motion to recommend a reduction in value for parcel #20-15-04978000 to lower the value on the house from \$5400.00 to \$1400.00 and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to recommend a reduction in value for parcel #21-01-05356000 of \$12,800.00, since the house was demolished, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and found properly assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Thompson made a motion that a finding be made that they have reviewed all Exemption Applications and Homestead Credit Applications and found them proper as presented or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for Golden Valley County for 2009 has been reviewed and found properly assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Thompson made a motion that based on the preceding findings, they declare the Assessment Roll for 2009 for Golden Valley County Equalized and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to adjourn as the County Equalization Board at 2:15 P.M. and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Tax Director Stacey Heckaman met briefly with the Board to discuss the County's Minimum Payment Policy for road project right-of-ways.

Ron Jablonski, Tina Thornton, Curt Grudniewski, Russ Walsh and Zach Verlinde from the US Forest Service along with Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board for their annual meeting. Items discussed were the Schedule A,B & C Road Maintenance Agreements, scoria & gravel permits, road easements and future projects. The Chairman signed a Forest Road Agreement between the US Department of Agriculture Forest Service Dakota Prairie Grasslands Medora Ranger District and Golden Valley County. Jablonski also discussed the Forest Service Maps with public roads that they are currently working on.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board to discuss the Hwy 10 project. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept a proposed change of order to the Hwy 10 Project due to bad sub-grade and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Wirtzfeld also discussed the VVV road project and other road department issues. The new truck and trailer are scheduled to be here in July.

Craig Kubas from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board along with Custodian Al Miller, Treasurer Gene Skoglund from the County ADA Board and Recorder Susan Davidson regarding some plans to make the courthouse accessible.

Kubas also discussed the Hwy 10 and VVV's road project with the Board and Road Foreman.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

ATTEST:

Cecilia Stedman, Auditor

David L. Quale, Chairman, Co. Commissioners



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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 7, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the June minutes and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Gene Skoglund met with the Board regarding a bill from Software Innovations for work done on our server. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to pay this bill out of the General Contingency Fund and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to transfer \$676,000.00 from the Road Reserve Fund into the Special County Road Fund for the Hwy 10 Project, per the 2009 budgets, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to reappoint Kim Nunberg as the County's Representative on the SW Rural Economic Area Partnership Board and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to reappoint Dave Quale to another 3 year term on the County Tuition Appeals Committee and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to reappoint Rick Bostyan to another 3 year term on the County Committee for the purposes of school district annexations, dissolutions and reorganizations and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve a Homestead Credit Abatement and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

James J. Wosepka met with the Board to review the 2008 audit report and to discuss the budgeting and spending process for revenues and expenditures. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept the 2008 Audit Report and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Bureau of Land Management revenue budget by \$10,710.00 for the increased amount the county received for their annual payment and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Bureau of Land Management budget by \$10,710.00, and transfer the \$27,910.00 payment from the BLM Fund into the Special County Road Fund and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented the following Treasurer's Bi-annual report:

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER
Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 1-1-09 through 6-30-09

BALANCE 1-1-2009	\$5,294,883.16		
JAN. COLLECTIONS	\$1,554,194.79	JAN. PAYMENTS	\$1,817,711.41
FEB. COLLECTIONS	\$1,270,234.15	FEB. PAYMENTS	\$ 404,303.31
MAR. COLLECTIONS	\$1,375,903.61	MAR. PAYMENTS	\$ 992,890.71
APRIL COLLECTIONS	\$1,134,646.63	APRIL PAYMENTS	\$1,381,624.83
MAY COLLECTIONS	\$ 121,764.71	MAY PAYMENTS	\$ 176,662.33
JUNE COLLECTIONS	\$ 388,215.47	JUNE PAYMENTS	\$ 278,868.68
		BALANCE 6-30-2009	\$6,087,781.25
TOTAL	\$11,139,842.52		\$11,139,842.52

BALANCE 6-30-2009	\$6,087,781.25	BANK DEPOSITS	\$2,250,244.65
		LIBR. CD & SAV.	\$ 70,292.64
		CERT. OF DEPOSIT	\$3,760,128.72
		CASH ITEMS	\$ 86.64
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$ 1,248.09
		CASH ON HAND	\$ 5,780.51
<hr/> TOTAL	<hr/> \$6,087,781.25		<hr/> \$6,087,781.25

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER

The Auditor presented a letter to the Board from the sister of a former Golden Valley County Resident commending Sheriff Steele and his department for their professionalism and the wonderful help given her sister and family while they lived in Beach.

DES Director Kitty Knapkewicz met with Board to present her letter of resignation as the County's DES Director effective July 14th. Kitty stated that she will be working for the Community Ambulance Service full time. Deputy Auditor/Treasurer Carrie Law was also present for this part of the meeting. After some discussion Commissioner Steffen made a motion to accept Kitty's resignation and to appoint Carrie Law as the County's DES Director at a salary of \$11.75 per hour with full time benefits and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board approved of Carrie attending an Emergency Services Course on August 5th and 6th for new emergency managers.

Jerry Mayer, Director of the Sunrise Youth Bureau and Rich Wardner, Chairman of the Sunrise Youth Bureau Board met with the Board to discuss their services to the counties and request that the present 1 mill levy be continued. The Board agreed that this levy would continue to be levied in Golden Valley County.

There was discussion regarding the ND Community Military Covenant. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to adopt the following resolution and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2009-13

COMMUNITY MILITARY COVENANT

Standing Strong Together

We recognize...

- *The commitment and sacrifices our Service Members and Families make every day.
- *The strength of our Service Members comes from strong family bonds and support from their community.
- *Our communities who express pride and patriotism in the send-offs and welcome home

ceremonies.

- *Our businesses and employers who support Service Members and care for Families during deployments.
- *Our schools for their expressions of patriotism and support for those who serve our country.
- *Our churches that sustain Service Members and Families through their prayers.

We are committed to...

- *Remembering the Service Members who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms. We will support their Families and we will never forget.

- *Expanding our services to assist all Wounded Warriors and Families transitioning back to society.
- *Building a partnership with Military Families that enhances their strength and resilience.
- *Helping all Service Members by building a stronger foundation of services to care for their needs and the needs of their Families.
- *Teaching our communities how to care for all Service Members and their Families.
- *Educating our communities to make them aware of ongoing changes within the Armed Forces.
- *Educating Families, Service Members, and Employers throughout the deployment cycle.

ATTEST:

David Quale
Golden Valley County Commissioners

John Thompson

Harley Steffen

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve a Limited Fiber Optic Cable Easement between Golden Valley County and Consolidated Telcom to cross 59th Street in the SE ¼ of Section 25-136-105 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board to discuss road projects and Tax Director Stacey Heckaman also met with the group to discuss fencing agreements on the VVV road project. The Board was informed that the County didn't receive any Oil Impact monies this year. Most of the Oil Impact monies went to townships, cities and fire districts.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Cecilia Stedman, Auditor

David L. Quale, Chairman, Co. Commissioners

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AUGUST 4, 2009 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve the July minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

States Attorney Peterson updated the Board on cases that his office is currently handling for the County.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to transfer \$100,000.00 from the County Poor Fund into the Social Service Fund and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to apply for reimbursement for Oil Impact Grant #Y04501 for \$75,000.00 and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board and States Attorney to discuss a truck warranty and repair bill.

The Board was informed that as of August 1st the State mileage rate went to 55 cents per mile and lodging to \$63.

The Board set September 8th at 7:00 P.M. for a special meeting to review the 2010 budgets.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the 2010 SW District Health Budget, as presented at a Joint Board of County Commissioners meeting in Dickinson on August 27, 2009, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Former Clinic Association Board members Myrna Farstveet, Larry Kryzsko and Paul Thompson met with the Board to discuss the Clinic Associations funds that are still on

the books with the County. Cory McCaskey also met with the group to inform them about the Golden Valley County Community Foundation that has been established, which provides a method of receiving funds or donations to benefit projects or non-profits in Golden Valley County. After some discussion the 3 former members of the Clinic Assn. Board recommended to the County Commissioners that they would like to see the Clinic Funds given to the Community Ambulance Service, since the former Clinic mill levy was intended for health care. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to transfer the Clinic Funds into the General Fund per NDCC statute and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the General Fund Budget by \$13,951.67 and give these funds to the Community Ambulance and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Scott Steele met with the Board to discuss bids on a new patrol unit for his department. The Board approved of Scott accepting the bid that works the best for his department as long as it falls within his budget. Steele also informed the Board that the State has provided them with printers for ticketing in their patrol units and updated them on the work being done on the Sheriff's Shop.

County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board to inform them that she has applied and interviewed for the Rural Leadership North Dakota which is a program paid for by ND Extension Services for community and economic development. Ashley also requested that the Board appoint a replacement for former Commissioner Irv Bares on her Advisory Board. Commissioner Quale made a motion to appoint Commissioner Steffen, to replace Bares, to the Extension Advisory Board and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trasa Diem, the new Program Coordinator of the SW Community Service & Restitution Program met with the Board to introduce herself, explain their services to the County, new ideas she hopes to implement and request a donation from the County for 2010. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to give SW Community Service & Restitution \$2000.00 for 2010 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Director Stacey Heckaman met with the Board to show them the Vanguard Appraisals Inc. software that she would like to purchase for her office. This would be a 6 year commitment between the County and Vanguard to purchase this software. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve of the County entering into an agreement with Vanguard Appraisals Inc. to purchase this software and to amend the General Budget by \$22,500.00, for the down payment

and for the \$4500.00 payment for each of the next five years, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Des Director Carrie Law met with the Board to request permission to attend a regional County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting in Dickinson on September 15th prior to her annual conference and the Board approved of this meeting.

States Attorney Charles Peterson joined the meeting at this time. Peterson discussed mill levy limitations, County Superintendent duties and requested the Board appoint Jason Henderson as Assistant State’s Attorney for Golden Valley County. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to appoint Jason Henderson as an Assistant State’s Attorney for Golden Valley County and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board to discuss road projects. The Board approved of paying the royalty bill for gravel from the Finneman pit. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to pay the RDO Truck Centers bill after the warranty adjustment had been made and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

ATTEST:

Cecilia Stedman, Auditor

David L. Quale, Chairman, Co. Commissioners

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 7:00 P.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present.

The purpose of this special meeting was for the Board to review the 2010 proposed budgets.

10:00 was the advertised time for the annual 2010 budget hearing. County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board to ask for an increase for her proposed 2010 County Extension Budget so she can replace their old copier & printer with a new copier that can do both and the Board agreed to make the change.

After discussing various items on the proposed budgets, Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the 2010 budgets as amended by the Board and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Auditor informed the Board that no property was turned back to the County for unpaid taxes this year.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to have the Chairman sign an amended Law Enforcement Services Contract between the County and the City of Beach, due to the change in the fees for 2010, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DES Director Carrie Law met with the Board to present a resolution for RC&D to pursue a grant for writing a SW North Dakota Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-14 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2009-14

WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County Commission has a limited capability to undertake extensive participation in the preparation of a hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council of Dickinson, ND is able to act on behalf of the Golden Valley County Commission in the analysis and development of a hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council of Dickinson, ND shall prepare a hazard mitigation plan in accordance with FEMA requirements at 44 C.F.R. 201.6; and

WHEREAS, the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council shall deliver a draft copy of the Plan for public comment as well as the governing body's comment during the planning process and prior to adoption.

NOW THEREFORE, the Golden Valley County Commission authorizes the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council to prepare the Southwest North Dakota Hazard Mitigation Plan on behalf of the Golden Valley County Commission which shall be reviewed and considered for adoption by the County Commission upon completion.

Adopted this 6th day of October, 2009 at the meeting of the Golden Valley County Commission.

David L. Quale, Chairman, County Commissioners

Register of Deeds, Susan Davidson met with the Board to inquire about purchasing a copier for the Recorder's Office since the one they were currently using no longer works. This copier could be purchased with funds she had budgeted for in her 2009 budget for items that won't be purchased now this year. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve of purchasing a copier out of Susan's budgeted capital outlay expenses and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

States Attorney Charles J. Peterson joined the meeting at this time. Peterson updated the Board on current cases his office is handling for the County.

The Board adjourned as the Board of County Commissioners at this time and met as the County Park Board along with Park Board members Brian Keohane and Kim Nunberg. The purpose of this County Park meeting was to discuss disbursing the remainder of funds in the County Park and County Rec funds. Tom Wilhelmi updated the Board on the golf course project and requested 2 mills from the Board to use towards a land payment. Janie Rathbun requested funds to help with maintenance on the swimming pool. Letters were also presented from the Bijou Theater to help sponsor LIVE performances and from Pheasants Forever for a donation. Keohane made a motion to just leave the monies in these funds until the spring meeting and Nunberg seconded the motion. Motion carried. Keohane made a motion to adjourn at 11:45 A.M. and Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board to discuss the Hwy 10 Project and the VVV road Project. Chairman Quale signed a right of way and utility certification letter for road Project SC-FHC-1746(054). The Board approved to pay for mileage for a seminar the road crew is attending.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 3, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners John Thompson and Harley Steffen were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve the October minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

States Attorney Peterson discussed the Attorney General's opinion on delinquent taxes and updated the Board on current cases he is handling for the county.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Cheryl Ueckert as the County's representative to the State Fair Association's Annual Meeting and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to have only 1 precinct in Golden Valley County for the 2010 elections, the same as it was for the 2006 and 2008 elections, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. This precinct will be at the Beach High School.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to have the Chairman sign a new Detention Service Agreement between Golden Valley County and the State's Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, for January 1, 2010 through 12-31-2010 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. This agreement is for detention services for juveniles that have been taken into custody.

The Auditor reviewed the new mill levy changes from 2008 and 2009 with the Board.

Gene Skoglund, Dave Quale and Chuck Peterson, all members of the County's ADA Board met with the Board to discuss plans for an elevator addition to the courthouse. Sheriff Steele was also present for this discussion. The group will collect more information regarding an addition or other options that would be more cost effective for the County. The Board approved of the Treasurer and Custodian to travel to some neighboring counties to look over their courthouses and elevators to get ideas to bring back to the board at a later date.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 8, 2009 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Dave Quale called the meeting to order. Commissioners Harley Steffen and John Thompson were present along with States Attorney Charles J. Peterson.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve the November minutes and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Deb Walworth, Director of Prairie West Development met with the Board to discuss Recovery Zone Bonds that are available for various uses in the County. States Attorney Peterson will do some checking into these bonds before the Commissioners make a decision regarding the bonds.

County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board to request them to appoint Dale Gasho to the County Fair Board and to let the Board know that she has been accepted into the Rural Leadership Program and what her project will be for this program. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Dale Gasho to the County Fair Board and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board received a letter from the ND State Engineer's Water Appropriation Division's Office regarding the water rights for the Williams Creek Dam located in Section 8-136-105. Commissioner Steffen made a motion to authorize the State Engineer to assign the water rights for Williams Creek Dam to the Golden Valley County Water Resource District and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board received a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding a Site Visit made to our Veteran's Service Officer Harvey Peterson. The letter made some recommendations for the County's VSO site that will be addressed to Peterson.

The County ADA Board consisting of Al Miller, Gene Skoglund, Chuck Peterson and Dave Quale met with the Board to discuss Miller's & Skoglund's recent visits to the courthouses in McKenzie, Mountrail, Bowman, Hettinger and Adams Counties. Various ideas were shared regarding what other counties had done and the costs involved.

The Board set Tuesday, December 29th as the meeting date for the final 2009 bills to be paid by the County.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to amend the County Library budget by \$5520.00 due to donations they received and used for computers, printers and books and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to appoint Sharon Rackley and Mary Combs to the Library Board to replace Bev Kukowski and

Judy Ridenhower, who have both served their two 3 year terms, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to amend the County Rec budget by \$14115.00, due to the fact that 2 payments were made to the Beach Golf Assn. in 2009, even though one of them had actually been approved for payment in 2008, and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the County Social Security budget by \$2500.00 due to accrued vacation and sick leave paid out to employees who left the County this year and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Homeland '07 Grant budget by \$500.00, due to the fact that a disbursement of the Homeland '08 Grant was run against the Homeland '07 Grant budget in error and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the GV AG Improvement budget be amended by \$100 due to increased seed prices and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Hazardous Material budget by \$1700.00, due to some vests that were purchased for the Sheriff's and Fire Departments that hadn't been originally budgeted for, and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to amend the Capital Outlay Reserve Budget by \$3025.00 for an architect bill for the courthouse and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Auditor presented the new Blue Cross Blue Shield rates for 2010 to the Board.

Steve Weninger and Mike Zook met with the Board and Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld to discuss damage that has been done to County and Township roads from the seismic crews in the area and to discuss the impact the oil activity will have on the County in the future.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Tim Kelly from Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. met with the Board to discuss various road projects and road department issues. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to adopt the following Resolution and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2009-15

WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$713,248.24 from Martin Construction, Inc. received in the bid opening of November 20, 2009 for Project SC-FHC-1746(054) 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 Martin Construction, Inc. the contract for Project SC-FHC-1746(054) 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

Golden Valley County

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 12-8-09.

County Auditor

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to amend the County HT Budget by \$296,000.00 due to the Weather Related funds the County received and spent on Old Hwy 10 plus gravel inventory that was sold and gravel used by the County and Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to allow the Road Foreman to attend the NACE Convention in Bismarck on February 3-5, 2010 and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steffen made a motion to reappoint Judy Curl as the County's representative on the SW District Health Unit's Board and Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quale declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

ATTEST:

Cecilia Stedman, Auditor

David L. Quale, Chairman, Co. Commissioners