

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
JANUARY 4, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gene Hamilton.

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

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

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint the following annual appointments for 2022: Commissioner Schmitz to the Roosevelt Custer Board, Commissioner Smith to the Community Action Board, Commissioner Schmitz to the GVC Zoning Board, Commissioner Schmeling to the Airport Board and Commissioner Smith to the Library Board and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- The following resolutions were approved:

**RESOLUTION 2022-1**

**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS, CLERKS, CUSTODIAN, & ROAD FOREMAN**

STATES ATTORNEY	CHRISTINA WENKO
TAX & ZONING DIRECTOR	PATRICIA DAVIS
CUSTODIAN	GLORIA PADILLA
ROAD FOREMAN	PETER WIRTZFELD
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER	HENRY GERVING
CORONER	JOHN FOSTER
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR	TAMRA SPERRY
SAFETY RISK MANAGER	CASSANDRA SZUDERA
ENGINEER	SELECTED PER PROJECT
DES DIRECTOR	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 2022-1;  
COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ      SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-2**

**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 2022,

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

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 2022-2;  
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-3**

**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 31, 2021 OBSERVED	SEPTEMBER 5	LABOR DAY
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JANUARY 17	NEW YEAR'S DAY	NOVEMBER 11	VETERAN'S DAY
FEBRUARY 21	MARTIN LUTHER KING	NOVEMBER 24	THANKSGIVING
APRIL 15	PRESIDENTS' DAY	NOVEMBER 25	THANKSGIVING
MAY 30	GOOD FRIDAY	DECEMBER 23	OBSERVED
JUNE 20	MEMORIAL DAY		CHRISTMAS EVE
	OBSERVED	DECEMBER 26	OBSERVED
	JUNETEENTH		CHRISTMAS
JULY 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY	DECEMBER 30	OBSERVED
			NEW YEARS EVE (CLOSE AT NOON)

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 SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-3;  
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-4**

**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 FRIDAY, 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AND 1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 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 SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-4;  
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-5**

**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: \$.58.5

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-5;

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-6**

**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 SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-6;

COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-7**

**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

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

BANK OF THE WEST, BEACH, ND

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

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-7;  
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-8**

**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	\$8,299,955.60

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

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**RESOLUTION 2022-9**

**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 2022-9;  
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-10**

**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 2022 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LOBBY OF THE COURTHOUSE BE DECLARED THE LOCATION FOR POSTING LEGAL NOTICES.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-10;  
COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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**RESOLUTION 2022-11**

**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 2022,

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

AUDITOR/HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER	\$62,903.25
TREASURER	59,875.30
DEPUTY AUDITOR/RISK MANAGER/WEBSITE ADMIN.	21.95/HOUR
CLERK OF COURT/RECORDER/MAGISTRATE	48,345.15

TAX/ZONING DIRECTOR/GIS	41,200.00
STATE'S ATTORNEY (INCL. CITY PROSEC. CONT.)	51,721.40
COUNTY AGENT (COUNTY SHARE 50%)	25,607.00
COUNTY AGENT SECRETARY	19.30/HOUR
D.E.S. COORDINATOR	15,450.00
SHERIFF	69,154.20
DEPUTY SHERIFF	51,324.00
DEPUTY SHERIFF	56,456.00
CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF	68,312.00
OFFICE DEPUTY	23.15 HOUR
CUSTODIAN	18.54/HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	68,166.60
ROAD CREW (2)	24.55/HOUR
ROAD CREW (2)	25.89/HOUR
ROAD CREW (1)	28.09/HOUR
WEED CONTROL OFFICER	43,680.00
COMMISSIONER CHAIRMAN	18,690.00
COMMISSIONERS (2)	16,290.00
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR	1,249.00
COUNTY CORONER	4,635.00
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER	7,946.36
911 COORDINATOR	6,242.00
LIBRARIAN	23.48/HOUR
ZONING BOARD MEMBERS & SECRETARY	45.00/MEETING

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING    MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-11;  
COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ      SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

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- The Board agreed to hold the Annual Township in conjunction with the regular February 1, 2022 meeting at 11 am.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve payroll for January on January 14, 2022 and for February on February 18, 2022 due to the normal payroll dates falling on a Holiday and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the \$5,000 consulting agreement with Stacey Swanson to help train the new Tax Director and pay the \$2,500 down payment when the position is filled and to amend the Tax Director budget by \$5,000 to cover the agreement and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regard to surface in the Van Storage building. No action was taken.
- Discussion was held in regard to the County Health Nurse. It was agreed to visit with the SW District Health Unit and inquire about increasing more services in Golden Valley County.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Dan Farstveet with Dak Insurance met with the Board to review the County's insurance renewal rates for 2022 and building values. Commissioner Schmitz moved to pay the current premium for 2022 in the amount of \$39,298.00 and to increase the values on the buildings as presented at the July renewal for the NDIRF for property insurance and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Jon Brosz with Brosz Engineering met with the Board to express his appreciation for the business with Golden Valley County in 2021.

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

The Board interviewed Patricia Davis and Sara Erickson for the position of Tax/Zoning/GIS Director. After much discussion it was agreed to offer the position to Patricia Davis starting at \$40,000 annually and a possible raise up to 3% at the end of her 6 month probation.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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FEBRUARY 1, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present.

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

Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the January meeting minutes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with the following biannual Treasurer's report:

**GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER**

Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 7-1-21 through 12-31-21

BALANCE 7-1-2021	\$10,649,472.04		
JULY COLLECTIONS	\$271,955.27	JULY PAYMENTS	\$229,098.45
AUG. COLLECTIONS	\$489,718.06	AUG. PAYMENTS	\$277,624.00
SEPT. COLLECTIONS	\$189,928.41	SEPT. PAYMENTS	\$444,920.90
OCT. COLLECTIONS	\$160,726.52	OCT. PAYMENTS	\$335,696.18
NOV. COLLECTIONS	\$156,750.94	NOV. PAYMENTS	\$234,963.48
DEC. COLLECTIONS	\$1,505,263.14	DEC. PAYMENTS	\$773,737.26
		BALANCE 12-31-2021	\$11,120,774.11
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TOTAL	\$13,416,814.38		\$13,416,814.38
BALANCE 12-31-2021	\$11,120,774.11	BANK DEPOSITS	\$5,450,298.86
		WESTERN COOP CU	\$226,071.35
		LIBRARY SAVINGS	\$50,934.19
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$5,388,403.94
		CASH ITEMS	\$0.00
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$0.00
		CASH ON HAND	\$5,065.77
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TOTAL			\$11,120,774.11

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**GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER**

- The Board set March 1, 2022 at 11:30 AM in conjunction with the regular March Meeting for the annual park board meeting.
- Discussion was held in regard to an invitation to participate as a cooperating agency in the NEPA process. No action was taken and will be discussed at the March 1<sup>st</sup> regular meeting when States Attorney Wenko will be present.
- County Auditor Sperry informed the Board that the County Treasurer incumbent, Gene Skoglund does not plan to run for re-election in the upcoming 2022 election. Discussion was then held on a starting salary of the newly elected County Treasurer. It was agreed to gather information from other Counties and discuss this at the next regular March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.
- A letter from the State of North Dakota Office of State Court Administrator was read to the Board as the Board needs to soon decide the manner in which clerk of district court services will be provide in the county for the 2023-2025 biennium by April 1, 2022. No action was taken and this will be discussed at the next regular March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting so States Attorney Wenko can review the letter and give her recommendation.

County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board. NDSU Extension recently updated their guidelines of Extension Agents collaborating with county weed boards which prohibit county agents from being voting board members. Commissioner Smith accepted Ueckert's resignation on the county weed board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Ashley Ueckert as the board secretary for the Golden Valley Weed Board and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. County Auditor Sperry will work with States Attorney Wenko to write up a contract.

Misty Hayes with the USFS met with the Board to give them updates. USFS has hired a law enforcement officer and is in training and will be available and in the field by mid-June. Funding for the FLAP program will continue.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Krebs updated the Board with the final numbers for the crushing done by Wyrick at the Trester Pit. Other various road topics were discussed.

11 AM was the advertised time for Annual/County Township Meeting. Commissioners Paul Schmitz, Adam Smith and Robert Schmeling along with Tax Director Pat Davis, Weed Control Officer Gus Muruato and Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld.

Chairman Schmitz 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 was introduced to the group. Discussion was held on the Township 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, projects that were completed in 2021 and projects for 2022.

Weed Control Officer Gus Muruato updated the group on the previous spray season and the upcoming spray season with rates and policies. Discussion was also held on LAP funding and availability.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	February Payroll	60853.08
-87867	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	13858.13
-99804	JP Morgan	Supplies	169.35
-99805	ND State Treasure		4496.59
82100	Steve Raisler	VA Services	120.00
82101	GV County States Attorney	February Expenses	1358.33
82102	ND County Auditors Association	Dues	100.00
82103	Dawn Ueckert	Reimbursement	68.87
82104	ND Clerks Association	Dues	100.00
82105	ND County Recorder's Association	Dues	200.00
82106	Armor	Service Agreement	1034.00
82107	ND Association of Counties	Dues/Fees	520.70
82108	ND State Water Commission	Dues	2000.00
82109	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	122.80
82110	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Fuel	1101.44
82111	Paul Schmitz	Travel	200.48
82112	Vivtech LLC	License	80.00
82113	Golva Repair	Repair	121.75
82114	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	625.80
82115	ND County Treasure's Association	Dues	100.00
82116	Software Innovations	Support	9600.00
82117	Mid-States Organized Crime Info	Dues	100.00
82118	ND State Radio Communications	Renewal/Lines	7616.38
82119	NDSU Extension	Salary	6338.48
82120	Dak Insurance	Insurance	2063.00
82121	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Annual Fee	38798.00
82122	Lawson Products	Parts	983.33
82123	SW Narcotic Task Force	Membership	16315.00
82124	KLJ Engineering	Road and Bridge	10217.24
82125	Stark County	Insurance	464.00
82126-82127	US Postal Service	Postage	137.74
82128	Pitney Bowes Inc	Ink	113.04
82129	Boss Inc	Supplies	407.59
82130	Henry Gerving	Travel	15.21
82131	Boyd Trester	Royalty	138166.00
82132	CRFD		600.00
82133	SRFD		700.00

82134	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	26.28
82135	Wyrick Construction	Crushing	83648.10
82136	PowerPlan	Repair/Parts	3029.46
82137	Productivity Plus	Parts	641.83
82138	NW Tire	Tires	1615.08
82139	Jan Roers	Contract	130.00
82140	The Badlands Patriot	Subscription	40.00
82141	Stacey Swanson	Contract	500.00
82142	Wallwork Truck Center	Parts	11.50
82143	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82144	Ramkota	Lodging	345.60
82145-82175	Collections Submitted		689696.18
82176	Boots Bar and Grill	NDSU/Beef Day	660.80
82177	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	429.36
82178	Collections Submitted		162.08
82179	Café		150.00
82180	Boots Bar and Grill	NDSU/ Beef Day	165.20
82181	MDU	Electricity & Gas	4692.76
82182	AT&T	Cell Phone	41.03
82183	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
82184	AT&T	Cell Phone	101.98
82185-82188	Library Disbursements		1030.75
82189	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1421.01
82190	Florence Sime	Uniforms	72.00
82191	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2148.06
82192	Café		225.00
82193	BCBS	Cobra	295.20
82194-82196	Ag Improvement	Disbursements	725.00
82197-82244	Blank checks		
82245-82251	Golden Valley County Employees	February Payroll	15494.20
82252-82258	Payroll Liabilities		53573.97

ATTEST:

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
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**MARCH 1, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

Commissioner Schmitz moved to accept the agenda as written and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Joanna Jenkins and Brooke Ford to the Golden Valley County Fair Board and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regard to an invitation to participate as a cooperating agency in the NEPA process. County Auditor Sperry will request additional information from the Bureau of Land Management.
- Commissioner Smith moved to set the starting salary of the newly elected treasurer after the 2022 Elections at a minimum of \$42,500 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to enter into a funding agreement for the 2023-2025 biennium to receive reimbursement for providing clerk services and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the revenue and expenditure road and bridge budget by \$842,633 to reflect the HB 1505 funds that were received and to create fund HB 1505 and to transfer \$842,633 from the Road and Bridge fund to HB 1505 as the funds were placed in the wrong fund and amend the HB 1505 revenue budget to reflect the transfer and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the memorandum of understanding between the County and County Agent Ashley Ueckert to serve on the Golden Valley County Weed Board as a non-voting advisor with the intention of helping educate employees and the public on noxious weeds and continue to act as the Board Secretary and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

County 911 Coordinator Henry Gerving met with the Board to discuss job duties that he is responsible for. It was agreed to meet again at the April 5<sup>th</sup> regular meeting with more time to discuss and finalize a job description.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board and recommend to approve the Zoning Boards recommendation to approve an application for pipeline permit from Bridger Pipeline, LLC for a 16” steel crude pipeline transporting crude from Johnson’s Corner, ND to Baker, MT routed in

T144N R104W, Sections 6&7 and T144N R105W Sections 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 30. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the permit and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve an application for abatement on parcel 02041100 as the property qualifies for disabled veterans' credit and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to pay Henry Gerving \$40/hr to train Tax Director Pat Davis and to put the software needed to help with training on his computer and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

Ron Volk, Renae Smith and John Kouba met with the Board to discuss adding restrooms to the blue fair building and the possibility of using ARPA funds that the County received. It was agreed that the fair board will get an estimate and present it to the Board.

Commissioner Schmitz called the Annual County Park Board meeting to order. County Park Board Members that were present: Rachel Keohane and Kim Gaugler, Commissioners Smith, Schmeling and Schmitz. John Kouba, Renae Smith and Ron Volk with the Fair, Janie Rathbun with the City of Beach Park, Tom Heckaman with the Golf Association and Mariah Zachman Golva City park presented the Board with their requests. Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the general budget by \$2,500 to fulfill the requests from the entities and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmitz moved to distribute \$1,500 to the Fair, \$5,000 to the City of Beach Pool, \$2,500 to Golva City park and \$750 to the Golf Association and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn the Annual County Park Board meeting and Rachel Keohane seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:56 A.M

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	March Payroll	57357.92
-87845	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12528.66
-99801	ND Tax Commissioner		2120.54
-99802	JP Morgan	Supplies	741.00
-99803	ND State Treasure		6130.20
82198	GV County States Attorney	March Expenses	1358.33
82199	Information Technology	Data Processing	600.70
82200	SW Multi-County Correction	Prisoner Care	637.50
82201	Steve Raisler	VA Services	280.00
82202	Pitney Bowes Inc	Lease	458.13
82203	SW Business Machine	Toner	762.00
82204	US Postal Services	Rent	100.00
82205	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	91.50
82206	NDACTVSO	Membership	125.00
82207	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Fuel	4778.11
82208	ND Sheriff's & Deputies Assoc	Membership	400.00
82209	Butler Machinery Company	Parts	53.32

82210	KLJ Engineering	Road & Bridge	534.48
82211	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	284.29
82212	Marman & Plumbing	Contract	573.00
82213	Dak Insurance	Insurance	240.00
82214	Uniform Center	Uniforms	292.93
82215	Productivity Plus	Supplies	217.74
82216	WatchGuard Video	Lease	9072.00
82217	Jan Roers	Contract	500.00
82218	Boss	Supplies	1070.14
82219	Stacey Swanson	Contract	500.00
82220	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	142.33
82221	ND Association of Counties	D &A Testing	127.20
82222	Jason Lee	Travel	9.36
82223	Troy Tescher	Travel	29.25
82224	Darin Maus	Travel	15.21
82225	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82226-82244	Collections Submitted		588421.32
82244-82258	Previously used in February		
82259-82270	Collections Submitted		68705.68
82271	AT&T	Cell Phone	40.13
82272	Golden Valley County Treasure	Transfer	842633.00
82273-82276	GV County Park Board	Distributions	9750.00
82277	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	415.74
82278	MDU	Electricity & Gas	4600.86
82279	Collections Submitted		234.45
82280	AT&T	Cell Phone	101.98
82281	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1430.43
82282-82286	Library Disbursements		1080.76
82287	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
82288	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2306.87
82289-82299	GV County Employees	March Payroll	14462.13
82300-82306	Payroll Liabilities		49970.68
82307	BCBS	Cobra	295.20
82308	Café Disbursement		227.25
82309	AT&T	Cell Phone	22.42
82310	Warne Chemical & Equipment	Supplies	1016.72
82311	Verizon	Cell Phones	350.80
82312	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	68.64
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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
APRIL 5, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

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

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

Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Smith moved to set the summer hours for the Courthouse starting May 1<sup>st</sup> and run through September 30<sup>th</sup> as 8 am -12 pm & 12:30 pm – 4 pm Monday through Thursday and 8 am – 1 pm Friday and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to an abatement on parcel number 7000600 as the structure is vacant and unlivable. It was agreed to table the decision and readdress it at the May meeting after gathering more information from the owner as to what the intent is in the future for the structure.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve a gaming site authorization for the Medora Fire Association located at Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry informed the Board that the NDIRF Annual Meeting will be held May 19<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Smith moved to elect Chad Peterson to the NDIRF Board of Directors of the corporation to serve a term of 3 years and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office. Chairman Schmitz signed the District Court Agreement that was approved at the March meeting. Discussion was held on liability of volunteers. County Auditor Sperry will further research a policy through Workers Comp.

Custodian Gloria Padilla met with the Board to discuss the Courthouse water leak. It was agreed to try some dirt work and see if that helps.

Dave Weaver, Brian Sime and JessiKay Noll met with the Board to discuss increasing the Ambulance Mill to 13 mills versus the 10 mills they currently receive. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the following resolution and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 12**

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION  
ADOPTING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM MILL LEVY  
INCREASE RESOLUTION AND BALLOT MEASURE

WHEREAS, County emergency medical services are critical to public safety in the County;  
and

WHEREAS, N.D.C.C. Section 57-15-06.7(10) provides a county levying a tax for county emergency medical service according to section 57-15-50 may levy a tax not exceeding fifteen mills.

WHEREAS, N.D.C.C. Section 57-15-50 provides that upon petition of ten percent of the number of qualified electors of the county voting in the last election for governor or upon its own motion, the Board of County Commissioners of each county shall levy annually a tax not exceeding the limitation in subsection 10 of section 57-15-06.7, for the purpose of subsidizing county emergency medical services; provided, that this tax must be approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the county voting on the question at a regular or special countywide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Golden Valley County proposes increasing the mill levy for the County Emergency Medical Service to thirteen (13) mills, and the following measure be placed on the County ballot for the statewide primary election scheduled for June 14, 2022.

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY MEASURE

The current statutory rural ambulance fund limit is ten (10) mills on the dollar of the taxable valuation of property within Golden Valley County.

Shall the Golden Valley County Ambulance District assess a rural ambulance fund mill levy of an additional three (3) mills for a total of thirteen (13) mills effective December 31, 2022 for the purpose of funding the Golden Valley County Ambulance District?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ A "YES" vote will allow the Golden Valley County Ambulance District the authority to receive additional tax dollars based on the true assessed value of individual property.

NO \_\_\_\_\_ A "NO" vote will prevent the Golden Valley County Ambulance District from receiving additional property tax dollars based on the true assessed value of individual property.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> Day of April 2022.

APPROVED:

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Paul Schmitz, Chair  
Board of Commissioners  
County of Golden Valley

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Tamra Sperry  
Golden Valley County Auditor

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Ron Volk and Renae Smith with the Fair Board met with the Board to discuss ARPA funding. They presented the Board with blue prints showing the addition of bathrooms, a kitchen and covered patio on the blue fair building. It was agreed they will get estimates on the addition and come back and present that to the Board.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and James Kiderowski with KLJ met with the Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign task order number 2203-0044-1 for Williams Creek Bridge replacement permitting and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Various road topics were discussed. Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the County HT revenue and expenditure budget by \$430,000 and the Road Reserve budget by \$430,000 to transfer to the County HT for the Trester Pit crushing completion that was not finished in 2021 as planned and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmitz moved to allow Wirtzfeld to move forward with purchasing a new trailer as approved in the budget and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Wirtzfeld will reach out and get bids on the trailer.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	March Payroll	61866.61
-87824	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12794.50
-99800	JP Morgan	Supplies	1077.17
-99799	ND State Treasure		1266.60
82313-82315	Ag Improvement Disbursements		715.47
82316	GV County States Attorney	April Expenses	1358.33
82317	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	419.94
82318	Tamra Sperry	Travel Reimbursement	239.70

82319	Cassandra Szudera	Travel Reimbursement	52.50
82320	Patricia Davis	Travel Reimbursement	29.84
82321	GV County Treasure	Transfer	437500.00
82322	Silha Funeral Home	Transport	250.50
82323	Prairie Lumber	Supplies	115.69
82324	NDTOA	Dues	1125.00
82325	Powerplan	Parts	3244.96
82326	Golva Repair	Repair	912.00
82327	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	185.00
82328	US Postal Service	Bulk Mail	160.00
82329	Butler Machinery	Parts	81.64
82330	Henry Gerving	Travel Reimbursement	259.55
82331	ND Association of County Engineers	Dues	275.00
82332	Information Technology	Data Processing	600.70
82333	Lawson Product, Inc	Parts	592.64
82334	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	158.83
82335	Farmers Union	Parts/Fuel	1958.22
82336	Summit Fire Protection	Inspection	570.00
82337	Uniform Center	Uniforms	301.50
82338	Robert Schmeling	Travel Reimbursement	879.60
82339	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	3740.64
82340	Big State Industrial Supply Inc	Supplies	159.19
82341	Mainstay Suites	Lodging	172.80
82342	Electro Watchman	Contract	455.40
82343	Gene Skoglund	Custodial	40.00
82344	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	843.96
82345	Otis Elevator Company	Service Agreement	905.64
82346	Boss Inc	Supplies	544.66
82347	Tyler Technologies	Dues	449.00
82348	Department of Transportation	Rd & Bridge Project	1144.20
82349	Texas Refinery Corp	Supplies	295.80
82350	John Deere Financial	Supplies/Parts	1960.16
82351	Jan Roers	Contract	90.00
82352	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82353	WallWork Truck Center	Supplies	835.79
82354	Matthew Bender & Co	Updates	252.31
82355	US Postal Service	Bulk Mailing	68.87
82356	Rachel Keohane	Travel Reimbursement	99.45
82357	City Air Mechanical, Inc	Repair	492.50
82358	ND State Radio Communication	Renewal/Lines	263.00
82359	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	2075.00
82360	Light & Siren	Supplies	79.00
82361	Beach Food Center	Supplies	20.85
82362	Fireside Office Solutions	Contract	594.00
82363-82392	Collections Submitted		113366.13
82387	Void		Void

82393	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	406.68
82394-82395	Collections Submitted		1865.19
82396-82397	AT&T	Cell Phone	108.50
82398	MDU	Electricity & Gas	3621.46
82399-82400	Weed Distributions		9044.79
82401	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
82402	Void		Void
82403	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1402.90
82404-82411	GV County Employees	April Payroll	14604.81
82412-82418	Payroll Liabilities		51995.71
82419	Café Disbursement		225.00
82420-82422	Library Disbursements		1306.44
82423	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2829.79
82424	Feiring's Grassfed Beef	NDSU Disbursement	99.00
82425	BCBS	Cobra	295.20
82426	AT&T	Phone Bill	45.72
82427	Café Disbursement		150.00
82428	Collection Submitted		172.16

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**MAY 3, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

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

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the April meeting minutes as corrected and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the Gaming Site Authorization for Home On The Range and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Raynette Szudera as the Inspector for the 2024 Primary and General Elections and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the upcoming deadlines for the 2023 budgets. Discussion was held on the cost of living increase and employee salaries. County Auditor Sperry will work up different scenarios for the Board to review at the June meeting.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase volunteer coverage through Workforce Safety and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to the County's audit firm, Schmitz-Holmstrom Accounting Firm.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Sheriff Dey Muckle and DES Rachel Keohane met with the Board. Discussion was held on the snow storms that impacted the County. Sheriff Muckle also informed the Board that there was radio equipment damaged due to the power outage and the damages will be turned into insurance and the cost of the repairs will be reviewed after discussing with Dak Insurance of what may or may not be covered.

Custodian Gloria Padilla met with the board to discuss the generator repairs and issues of the current generator not having the capacity to run the new addition of the Courthouse. Padilla will gather more information on the specifics of what would be needed for a new generator to run the whole building.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board along with Henry Gerving. Commissioner Smith moved to table the decisions on the following 3 abatements that were presented to the Board:

- 2020 and 2021 abatements for Beach Co-Op Grain Co on parcel #20-26-05341500
- 2022 abatement for Ken Novotny on parcel #7000600

and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. It was agreed to communicate with Beach Coop Grain and Ken Novotny about the abatements and readdress them at the June 7<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

Road Forman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase a belly dump trailer for \$44,892.87 from Westlie Motor Company and allow County Auditor Sperry to write the check when the purchase is finalized and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the vacancy on the Weed Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Dusty Michel to the Weed Board and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:06 P.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	May Payroll	60997.57
-87799	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	10445.82
-87800	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	2179.62
-99797	JP Morgan	Supplies	1645.82
-99798	ND State Treasure		1055.25
82429	GV County States Attorney	May Expenses	1358.33
82430	Steve Raisler	VA Services	420.00
82431	Ashley Ueckert	Reimbursement	645.84
82432	NDSU Extension	Salary	6338.46
82433	Deere Credit Inc	Lease	7196.00
82434	Linde Gas & Equipment Inc	Supplies	204.81
82435	Armor Interactive	Contract	1034.00
82436	NDAAO	Training	575.00
82437	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Supplies	11829.94
82438	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	627.70
82439	Prairie Lumber	Parts	14.03
82440	Butler Machinery Company	Parts	158.02
82441	ND State Radio Communications	Renewal/Lines	8141.32
82442	Henry Gerving	Travel	635.90
82443	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	80.00
82444	John Deere Financial	Supplies	27.50
82445	Alan Muckle	Sheriff Services	100.0
82446	Lance Dykins	Sheriff Services	100.00
82447	Dan Buchholz	Sheriff Services	100.00
82448	Tyrel Sime	Sheriff Services	100.00
82449	William Klose	Sheriff Services	100.00
82450	Gibbs	Wrecker Services	2100.00
82451	PB Electric	Labor/Repair	1117.50
82452	Boss Inc	Supplies	1260.91
82453	Rachel Keohane	Travel	224.54
82454	KLJ Engineering LLC	Road & Bridge	1055.93

82455	Fairfield & Woods PC	Legal Fees	25.29
82456	Noll Construction	Contract	2712.50
82457	Productivity Plus	Parts	715.00
82458	Wild Vines Market	Flowers & Delivery	106.00
82459	BSC/BPS Technical Center	Humvee Repair	2697.00
82460	Stacey Swanson	Contract	1000.00
82461	Total Safety US	Inspections	480.00
82462	PowerPlan	Parts	1420.97
82463	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82464	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	920.49
82465	Jandt Plumbing & Heating LLC	Boiler Repair	1988.33
82466	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Lease	458.13
82467	Jan Roers	Contract	100.00
82468	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	223.17
82469	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	11.75
82470-82499	Collections Submitted		73732.13
82500	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	421.95
82501	MDU	Electricity & Gas	3364.08
82502	Ashley Ueckert	Reimbursement	179.78
82503	Beach Food Center	Supplies	12.18
82504	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	350.78
82505	Collections Submitted		112.01
82506	AT&T	Cell Phone	81.08
82507	Farmers Union	Parts/Fuel	439.07
82508	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1385.31
82509	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
82510-82511	Library Disbursement		500.89
82512-82519	GV County Employees	May Payroll	14351.82
82520-82526	Payroll Liabilities		50433.12
82527	AT&T	Cell Phone	52.76
82528	Cenex Fleet Fuel	Fuel	2413.42
82529	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Chemical	9181.50
82530	BCBS	Cobra	295.20
82531-82532	Café Disb.		375.00
82533	Westlie Motor Company	Equipment	44892.87
82534	Warne Chemical & Equip	Supplies	429.68
82535	Verizon	Cell Phone	350.80

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**JUNE 7, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Gene Hamilton.

Commissioner Smith moved to accept the agenda with the addition of meeting with Dan Farstveet with Dak Insurance during the County Auditor Business and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the May meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmitz moved to reappoint Renae Smith to the County Reorganization Committee for another 3 year term and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Sheriff Dey Muckle to the Building Committee to replace County Auditor Tamra Sperry and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve and sign the request from Southwestern District Health Unit for funding of the health maintenance program for 2023 in the amount of \$6,500 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve Cassie Szudera to submit the paperwork to become a notary and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- The Canvassing Board for the 2023 June Primary Election will be held on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve the repairs on the generator up to \$12,500 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Dan Farstveet with Dak Insurance met with the Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to increase the property values as presented which would increase the premium by \$1,911.89 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle, Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld, Clerk/Recorder Rachel Keohane and County Agent Ashely Ueckert met with the Board to discuss 2023 budgets. Commissioner Schmeling moved to give the employees a 5% pay increase and an additional 1% County contribution on the NDPERS for 2023 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Renae Smith and County Agent Ashley Ueckert met with the Board to give them an update on the blue building expansion. The Fair Board extended the bid deadline another 3 weeks. They will meet with the Commissioners at the July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to review the bids.

Clay Booth and William Gion joined the meeting.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board to discuss various abatements.

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the abatement for 2022 as presented on parcel #7000600 upon the Tax Director confirming the trailer house is not hooked to utilities and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve an abatement for 2020 and 2021 on parcel #20-26-05341500 as this property was over assessed resulting in an over payment in taxes for those years at which the property owner has agreed to apply those overpayments to next year's taxes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on an abatement for 2021 on parcel #0548000. Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the abatement as presented. The motion died due to a lack of a 2<sup>nd</sup>. Commissioner Schmeling moved to deny the abatement. The motion died due to a lack of a 2<sup>nd</sup>. Commissioner Smith moved to table the decision until the next regular meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup> to allow more time to review the presented materials and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- 3 abatements were presented for parcels: #0548000, #0443400 and 04503000. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the abatement on parcel #04434000 and not collect additional tax payments as it was a County error and to table the other 2 abatements until after the County Equalization meeting to be held later in the meeting and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Holly and Amber with the Sunrise Youth Bureau met with the Board to update them on the services that is provided through the Bureau.

Misty Hays with the Forest Service met with the Board to give them updates.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board to discuss various road topics. The County Township Road Mileage Certification was reviewed and signed and the Certification of Local Match for Bridge Inspection was reviewed and signed.

1:00 P.M. was the advertised time for the annual County Equalization Meeting. The Board met as the Unorganized Township Board. There will be a 6.1% decrease for 2022 agricultural property and no change for residential and commercial property for 2022. Commissioner Smith 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 Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith 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 Smith moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for the Unorganized Townships for 2022 has been reviewed and found properly assessed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declare the

Assessment Roll for 2022 for the Unorganized Townships equalized and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. The Board adjourned as the Unorganized Township Board at 1:33 P.M.

The Board met as the County Equalization Board. Various changes to the townships and cities were reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Smith moved to accept Annex A (2022 record of findings for correction) as presented and to return the value of Lot 9, Block 1, Near's 1<sup>st</sup> Addition on parcel #05012000 to \$6,000 over-riding the City of Beach Board of Equalization which set the value at \$3,000 and set the value for parcel #0548000 at \$71,600 over-riding the City of Golva Board of Equalization which set the value at \$20,000 and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and found properly assessed with a decrease of 6.1% for agricultural property 2022 and no change to residential and commercial property 2022 and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that a finding be made that the Board reviewed all exemptions and find them proper as presented in the minutes and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for Golden Valley County for 2022 has been reviewed and found properly assessed and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declared the Assessment Roll for 2022 for Golden Valley County equalized and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. The Board adjourned as the County Equalization Board at 2:16 P.M.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the abatements on parcels #573000 and #4503000 and not collect additional tax payments as it was a County error and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 2:33 P.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	May Payroll	69361.50
-87775	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	13703.84
-99793	JP Morgan	Supplies	1740.25
-99794	ND Tax Commissioner		2402.26
-99795	ND State Treasure		1264.34
-99796	Pitney Bowes	Postage	500.00
82536-82562	Collections Submitted		18062.70
82563	GV County States Attorney	June Expenses	1358.33
82564	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	175.25
82565	Farmers Union Oil	Supplies	32675.84
82566	Armor Interactive	Contract	1034.00
82567	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	1255.40
82568	Patricia Davis	Travel Reimbursement	583.97
82569	Black Mountain Software	Annual Renewal	7243.00
82570	Electro Watchman Inc	Contract	160.91

82571	City Air Mechanical Inc	Repair	14750.00
82572	US Postal Service	Bulk Mail	68.87
82573	Jandt Plumbing & Heating	Repair	1011.70
82574	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	451.34
82575	Radisson Hotel Bismarck	Lodging	259.20
82576	Matthew Bender & Co	Updates	496.47
82577	Dak Insurance	Insurance	321.00
82578	Secretary of State	Notary	36.00
82579	GVC Garden Club	Flowers	25.00
82580	JP Steel & Supplies	Supplies	244.82
82581	ND Association of Counties	D & A Testing	130.20
82582	Colonial Research	Supplies	836.38
82583	Novotny Construction	Snow Removal	2825.00
82584	ND DOT	Rd & Bridge Project	1630.48
82585	Texas Refinery	Parts	435.50
82586	Fireside Office Solutions	Copy Service	476.25
82587	Quality Inn	Lodging	345.60
82588	Keith Signs	Supplies	1350.00
82589	Boss Inc	Supplies	709.16
82590	John Deere Financial	Supplies	1322.84
82591	Noll Construction	Contract	4132.50
82592	Fairfield and Woods	Legal Fees	64.06
82593	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	145.87
82594	Gloria Padilla	Reimbursement	65.97
82595	ND Workforce Safety & Ins	Insurance	250.00
82596	Jan Roers	Contract	100.00
82597	Peter Wirtzfeld	Reimbursement	24.00
82598	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	107.96
82599	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82600	Butler Machinery	Parts	99.36
82601	Cassandra Szudera	Travel Reimbursement	242.10
82602	KLJ Engineering	Rd & Bridge	3248.08
82603	SW Multi-County Correctional	Prisoner Care	3.75
82604	Henry Gerving	Travel Reimbursement	249.05
82605	MDU	Electricity & Gas	2343.82
82606	Golva Repair	Repair	70.75
82607	Otis Elevator	Repair	990.00
82608	Westlie Motor Company	Repair	1742.10
82609	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	27.89
82610	Stacey Swanson	Contract	500.00
82611	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	57.31
82612	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
82613	Farmers Union	Supplies/Fuel	5294.24
82614	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1396.47
82615	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Chemical	13797.60
82616	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	458.19

82617-82619	Library Disbursements		1431.27
82620-82629	GV County Employees	June Payroll	21106.24
82630-82638	Payroll Liabilities		55078.55
82639	Café Disbursements		322.75
82640	AT&T	Cell Phone	110.98
82641	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2576.17
82642	BCBS Of ND	Cobra	147.60
82643	John Deere Financial	Supplies	57.40
82644	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	350.87
82645	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	31.98
82646	Beach Tech	Tech Support	65.00
82647	NDWCA	Education	250.00

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**JULY 5, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

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

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the June regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith 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 appoint Cassie Szudera to replace Recorder Rachel Keohane to the Recount Board for the recount to be held later today after the meeting for the Alderperson of the City of Sentinel Butte and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- The Board reviewed the submitted preliminary budgets. It was agreed to start the newly elected Treasurer out at \$45,000 annually.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint Commissioner Schmeling as the voting delegate for the upcoming NDACo conference to be held on October 2-4 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the State of ND acting by and through the Department of Emergency Services' Division of State Radio to provide 911 services and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Jen Knopp, Libby Almy and Gene Weinreis with the LoneTree School District and Jessica Geis with the Beach School District met with the Board to discuss the 2022 Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act payment that came in at \$3,755,073.60. Commissioner Schmeling moved to give the LoneTree School District 6% (\$225,305), Beach School District 8.5% (\$319,182), Sentinel Butte Township 3% (\$112,653) and \$3,000 each to the Unorganized Townships and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

No one from the Fair Board showed up to the meeting.

Dan Farstveet with Dak Insurance met with the Board to inform them he did not have the information that was requested at the last meeting at this time but will get back with the Board when he does.

Clay Booth and William Gion joined the meeting.

Tax/Zoning Director Pat Davis met with the Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve an abatement on parcel 20-18-05028000 as the individual does qualify for the Veterans credit and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the following recommendations from the County Zoning: Application for approval of zoning change from Katrinka Hall Cox on parcel 04272000 to change it from commercial classified parcel to resident classified parcel and a variance of two acres for residential property instead of the required 3 or more; and to approve a conditional use permit submitted by Rory Farstveet on parcel 07-0-0133100 for a variance of 95 feet instead of the required 150 feet east from the center line of 169<sup>th</sup> street SW for the planting of a shelterbelt of trees and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Further discussion was held on the abatement for parcel 0548000 that was previously presented to the Board at the June meeting. After further discussion Commissioner Schmeling moved to not approve the abatement as written but to approve reducing the total true and full value of the property from \$88,000 to \$71,600 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Tax/Zoning Director Pat Davis's 6 month probation is up. Commissioner Schmitz moved to increase her salary to \$45,000/annually effective July 1, 2022 and there will be no increase once certification is complete and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve Henry Gerving to go to the NDAAO conference and State Board of Equalization in August to assist Tax Director Pat Davis as part of her training and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board and various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	July Payroll	55061.83
-87753	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12008.32
-99791	JP Morgan	Supplies	330.94
-99792	ND State Treasure		893.16
82648	GV County States Attorney	July Expenses	1358.33
82649	Steve Raisler	VA Services	40.00
82650	SW District Health Unit	Health Maintenance	6500.00
82651	Armor Interactive	Contract	1034.00
82652	National Sheriffs Association	Membership	85.00
82653	Pitney Bowes Inc	Supplies	59.49
82654	Raynette Szudera	Election	288.00
82655	Renae Smith	Election	288.00
82656	Cassandra Szudera	Election	24.50
82657	Tracey Trask	Election	275.25

82658	Sue Feldman	Election	275.25
82659	Pam Kopp	Election	288.00
82660	Gloria Padilla	Reimbursement	11.25
82661	Mainstay Suites	Lodging	86.40
82662	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	418.08
82663	Dak Insurance	Insurance	6956.00
82664	Troy Tescher	Zoning Travel	29.25
82665	Paul J Schmitz	Travel	231.66
82666	Darin Maus	Zoning Travel	15.21
82667	Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Center	Budgets	2000.00
82668	Family Connection Safe Visitation	Budget	500.00
82669	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	145.42
82670	Steele Auto Body	Repair	311.00
82671	Boss Inc	Supplies	502.57
82672	Keith Signs	Vehicle	525.00
82673	Vivtech LLC	Repair	556.00
82674	Fast Initial Response System	Supplies	663.34
82675	NDAAO	Dues	140.00
82676	Powerplan	Parts	1776.00
82677	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	12.50
82678	Cerebus Security	Contract	175.00
82679	GV County Treasure	Transfer	8000.00
82680-82709	Collections Submitted		52386.14
82710	Riverside Marine & Cycle	Parts	930.91
82711	Beach Public School District	Bankhead Jones Disburs.	319182.00
82712	Lone Tree School District	Bankhead Jones Disburs.	225305.00
82713	Sentinel Township	Bankhead Jones Disburs.	112653.00
82714	NDAAO	Education	140.00
82715	ND Association of Counties	Collections Submitted	173.39
82716	Farmers Union	Fuel/Parts	1234.56
82717	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
82718	Warne Chemical & Equipment	Supplies	2414.50
82719	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Chemical	6568.00
82720-82723	Library Disbursement		967.10
82724-82734	GV County Employees	July Payroll	19025.06
82735-82741	Payroll Liabilities		49632.98
82742	Void		Void
82743	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	471.72
82744	MDU	Electricity & Gas	1642.12
82745	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1402.04
82746	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	111.35
82747	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
82748	GV County Treasure	CD	200000.00
82749	Café	Disbursement	300.00
82750	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	34.32
82751	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	3412.76

82752	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	625.24
82753	John Deere Financial	Parts	53.35
82754	Rohans	Supplies	27.86

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**AUGUST 2, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present along with Gene Hamilton and States Attorney Christina Wenko.

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

Commissioner Smith 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 Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- October 6<sup>th</sup> is the date for the public hearing on 2023 budgets/levies at 2 pm.
- Discussion was held on the Annual NDACo Conference held October 2-4.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- Discussion was held on the shingles that were blown off the Social Services building in the last wind storm. It was agreed to put out bids to replace the roof on the building.

Tax/Zoning Director Pat Davis met with the Board. An estimate from Vanguard was presented to the Board to update the values on the farm exempt parcels and review of sales analysis and table setting on recent sales within the County. The estimate came in at \$27,500 to \$36,500. Discussion was held on re-evaluating the County as a whole. It was explained that doing the re-evaluation on the farm exempt parcels will be sufficient enough as the County has been in tolerance with the State requirements. Davis will get a quote to re-evaluate the whole County. Commissioner Smith moved to have Vanguard do the sale analysis and table setting and analyze the recent sales within the County in the amount up to \$15,000 and to amend the 2023 Tax Director preliminary budget by that amount and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Dan Farstveet with DAK Insurance met with the Board to discuss the ND State Fire and Tornado optional coverages to add to the policy. Commissioner Schmeling moved to add the additional coverage as presented with a premium increase in the amount of \$1577 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Ron Volk with the Fair Board met with the Board to discuss the expansion on the blue fair building. The Fair Board feels that it would be better to put the funding towards updating the red fair building versus the blue fair building. Volk will take back to the Fair Board that the County Commissioners want the funding to be put towards the blue fair building. The Fair Board will meet with the Board at the September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss the 2023 Law Enforcement Services Contract with the City of Beach. Commissioner Smith moved to accept and sign the contract and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Sherry Adams with the SW District Health Unit met with the Board for the public hearing on the 2023 mill levy request. There will not be a budget increase for 2023 for the Health Unit.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the following preliminary levy amounts:

General: \$270,000  
Council on Aging: \$30,734  
Veteran Service: \$8,000  
SW District Health Unit: \$67,051  
Road and Bridge: \$153,669  
Water Management: \$61,467  
Ambulance: \$199,769  
Extension Service: \$30,734  
County Airport: \$8,000  
Weed Control: \$61,467  
Library: \$61,467  
Soil Conservation: \$38,417  
GV Historical Society: \$3,842  
Jobs Development: \$26,920  
Sunrise Youth: \$3,757  
State Medical Levy: \$15,367  
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 Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Road Forman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Discussion was held on getting quotes for motor graders to be purchased in 2023.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:37 P.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	August Payroll	56458.66
-87730	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12655.18
-99787	Post Board	License	45.00

-99788	Pitney Bowes Postedge	Postage	500.00
-99789	JP Morgan	Supplies	13443.63
-99790	ND State Treasure		737.59
82755-82778	Collections Submitted		26080.71
82779	GV County States Attorney	August Expenses	1358.33
82780	Jan Roers	Contract	195.00
82781	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	151.50
82782	Butler Machinery Company	Repairs	1938.93
82783	KLJ Engineering	Road & Bridge	3768.65
82784	Steve Raisler	VA Services	260.00
82785	Golva Repair	Repair	131.00
82786	Yakima County Sheriff's Office	Services	50.00
82787	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Fuel	11513.47
82788	Vivtech, LLC	License/repair	461.95
82789	Peace Officer Standards & Training	Evaluation	150.00
82790	ND State Radio Communications	Renewal/License	7593.49
82791	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	2056.74
82792	Cassandra Szudera	Travel	75.00
82793	Fireside Office Solutions	Services	1027.93
82794	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	602.56
82795	Fairfield and Woods P.C	Legal services	128.13
82796	Armor Interactive	Contract	1034.00
82797	Information Technology	Data Processing	621.35
82798	Gloria Padilla	Travel/Reimbursement	150.77
82799	NDSU	Supplies	46.00
82800	ND One Call	Services	5.20
82801	US Postal Service	Postage	72.35
82802	US Postal Service	Postage	72.35
82803	Sign Solutions	Supplies	5378.72
82804	GV County Weed Board	Services	46.67
82805	Beach Co-operative Grain Company	Chemical	43.50
82806	PB Electric	Repair	1225.00
82807	Big State Industrial Supply	Parts	104.74
82808	Badlands Building Solutions	Rent	700.00
82809	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	Lease	458.13
82810	Boss Inc	Supplies	968.65
82811	Noll Construction	Blading/Crushing	38717.00
82812	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	139.64
82813	Cerberus Security	Contract/Repair	638.00
82814	Tamra Sperry	Travel	75.00
82815	Red Rock Ford	Repair	2692.89
82816	Bonnie Underwood	Royalty	20094.00
82817	DS Solutions	Election	275.00
82818	Knoll's Ready-Mix	Supplies	260.00
82819	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	650.77
82820	Lawson Products	Parts	520.87

82821	Collections Submitted		134.74
82822	Farmers Union	Fuel/Parts	551.07
82823	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	2007.84
82824	MDU	Electricity & Gas	2070.47
82825	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1389.56
82826	Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc	Chemical	6560.00
82827-82829	Library Disbursements		534.54
82830-82839	GV County Employees	August Payroll	16950.01
82840-82846	Payroll Liabilities		54092.30
82847	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
82848	AT&T	Cell Phone	111.35
82849	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2583.11
82850	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
82851	Café	Disbursement	300.00
82852	Verizon	Cell Phone	367.70

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

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

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

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve an abatement for 2020 on parcel #0230000 as the applicant qualifies for Homestead Credits and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update from her office. Discussion was held in regards to a property that is 3 years delinquent in taxes and has a lien on the property.

Discussion was held on the Federal Recovery Funds that the County received. The Fair Board will meet with the Board at the October regular meeting.

Discussion was held on the 2023 budgets. County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with the updated budgets.

Discussion was held on the vacancy of a Weed Control Officer for the County.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Wirtzfeld presented the Board with 2 bid proposals for motor grader replacements in 2023. Commissioner Smith moved to have Wirtzfeld sign a purchase agreement with John Deere and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to pay the following bills that were submitted after the meeting started: \$127,219.50 to Noll Construction, LLC for crushing at the Scherman and Schmeling pits, \$17,411.31 to GVC Weed Board for spraying County Roads, \$23,114.00 to Vance Sherman for gravel royalties and \$81,655 to Schmeling Family for gravel royalties split between family members as stated in Gravel Mining Lease and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to amend the County HT budget by \$232,000 to pay for the crushing and royalties at the Scherman and Schmeling pits, amend the Road Reserve Budget by \$232,000

to transfer to County HT fund and to amend the County HT revenue budget by \$232,000 for the transfer from Road Reserve and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:37 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of September 2022:

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	September Payroll	61456.23
-87709	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	13513.19
-99783	ND State Tax		2329.48
-99784	JP Morgan	Supplies	384.73
-99785	Pitney Bowes	Postage	500.00
-99786	ND State Treasure		1353.39
82853	Gerald Streitz	Travel	25.00
82854-82880	Collections Submitted		44058.56
82881	GV County States Attorney	September Expenses	1358.33
82882	Steve Raisler	VA Services	100.00
82883	Robert Schmeling	Travel	398.80
82884	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	775.54
82885	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	750.00
82886	Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc	Floor Care	69.10
82887	NDSU Extension	Salary	7395.01
82888	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Supplies	12052.24
82889	Election Systems & Software, LLC	Elections	6454.01
82890	GVC Treasure	Insurance	316.00
82891	Armor Interactive	Contract	2068.00
82892	Information Technology	Data Processing	647.90
82893	Prairie Lumber	Supplies	158.95
82894	Quality Inn	Lodging	172.80
82895	Wild Vine Market	Flower & Delivery	60.00
82896	Western States Sheriff's Assoc.	Membership	100.00
82897	NDACTVSO	Conference	120.00
82898	Western Dakota Energy Assoc.	Dues	3031.05
82899	Uniform Center	Uniforms	319.00
82900	GVC Weed Board	Spraying	57.32
82901	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	260.52
82902	Boss Inc	Supplies	1887.83
82903	Dak Insurance	Insurance	1465.00
82904	Henry Gerving	Travel	255.25
82905	ND DOT	Rd & Bridge Project	3747.26
82906	Silha Funeral Home	Travel	222.50
82907	Fairfield and Wood PC	Legal Fees	166.89
82908	Dawn Ueckert	Reimbursement	20.11
82909	NDLTAP/UGPTI	Education	300.00
82910	Patricia Davis	Travel	244.25

82911	GVC Fair Assoc	Reimbursement	567.23
82912	ND Association of Counties	Education	35.00
82913	Metropolitan Compounds Inc	Supplies	442.57
82914	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	100.00
82915	The Attic	Equipment	1024.00
82916	Vanguard Appraisals Inc	Fees	3950.00
82917	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	27.96
82918	Jan Roers	Cleaning	80.00
82919	John Deere Financial	Supplies	152.04
82920	Rachel Keohane	Travel	210.50
82921	Ramada Bismarck Hotel	Lodging	604.80
82922	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
82923	Matthew Bender & Co	Updates	600.17
82924	Gene Skoglund	Cleaning	90.00
82925	Butler Machinery Company	Repair	7253.51
82926	Alternative Truck & Tractor Repair	Repair	50.00
82927	Powerplan	Supplies	598.99
82928	Lawson Products	Parts	52.19
82929	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	66.12
82930	ND Youth Correctional Center	Prisoner Care	1139.92
82931	Ashley Ueckert	Travel	400.36
82932	Noll Construction	Crushing	127219.50
82933	GV County Weed Board	Spraying	17411.31
82934	Vance Sherman	Royalty	23114.00
82935	Robert Schmeling	Royalty	13268.93
82936	Patty Schmeling	Royalty	13268.93
82937	Marvel Schumacher	Royalty	9186.19
82938	Marilan Schaefer	Royalty	9186.19
82939	Donald Schmeling	Royalty	9186.19
82940	Colleen Hutchinson	Royalty	9186.19
82941	June Strommen	Royalty	9186.19
82942	Dean Schmeling	Royalty	9186.19
82943	Collections Submitted		218.05
82944	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	898.04
82945	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
82946	Farmers Union Oil	Fuel/Parts	583.88
82947	MDU	Electricity & Gas	1923.52
82948	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1482.97
82949-82959	GV County Employees	September Payroll	19174.52
82960	Void		Void
82961	Payroll Liability		453.97
82962	Void		Void
82963-82964	Payroll Liabilities		333.96
82965	Void		Void
82966	Payroll Liabilities		557.98
82967	Void		Void

82968	GV County Employee	September Payroll	4718.96
82969-82971	Payroll Liabilities		50378.72
82972	Void		Void
82973	Café	Disbursement	300.00
82974	BCBS of ND	Cobra	147.60
82975-82981	NDSU Extension Disbursements		550.80
82982-82985	Library Disbursements		1564.91
82986	AT&T	Cell Phone	111.35
82987	GV County Treasure	Mobile Apportionment	5242.47
82988	Reissue Check #81510		2415.00
82989	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2715.48
82990	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.42
82991	GV County Treasure	Transfer	232000.00

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**October 6, 2022 1:00 P.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present, along with States Attorney Christina Wenko.

Commissioner Smith moved to accept the agenda with the additions of adding VSO Henry Gerving to discuss the extra van and adding discussion on the request from the Roughrider North Human Service Zone requesting money for bonuses for zone employees and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to ratify the vote in regards to payment to the Schmeling Family for gravel royalties split between family members as stated in the gravel mining lease from the September meeting minutes then to approve the September regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. It was agreed to keep all the bills for the removal of the contaminated soil at the fairgrounds until the project is complete then submit for payment.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Discussion was held on the properties that were turned back to the County due to delinquent taxes. It was agreed to set the minimal values at what is owed to the County for taxes and fees. Commissioner Smith moved to set
  - **Property 1:** Parcel #05138000 Lots 3-4 Block 3, Richard's 1<sup>st</sup> City of Beach 449 Central Ave N  
-Minimal Value of \$1,719.87
  - **Property 2:** Parcel #04485000 Lot 10-S1/2 & 5' of N1/2 Block 6, Original Beach City of Beach 145 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE  
- Minimal Value of \$2,321.50
  - **Property 3:** Parcel #02926000 10 AC Tract Desc as SE 1/4SE 1/4 NE 1/4, 12-141-105 Saddle Butte Township 2549 County Road 5  
- Minimal Value of \$1,116.90

and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. October 19, 2022 at 1 pm is the time set for the public hearing on those values set. The Board also set the time for the Annual Sale to be held on November 15, 2022 at 10 am.

- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint John Kouba to represent Golden Valley County at the State Fair Association's Annual meeting and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- No bids were received for the roof shingling on the Social Services building.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to reject an abatement on parcel #20-11-04646000 for 2019 as the individual missed the deadline submitting the abatement and now it is past the deadline to get reimbursed from the State and approve the abatement for 2020 taxes as the individual qualified for Homestead credits and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Smith moved to amend the Recovery Fund revenue budget by \$171,027 for the funds received and not budgeted for and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- County Canvassing for the 2022 General Election is set for November 21, 2022 at 1 pm in the County Commissioner's room.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- VSO Henry Gerving met with the Board to discuss the van that is not being used. Commissioner Smith moved to send the van to another County that can use it and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. It was agreed that Gerving will draft a letter stating the County's decision on the van.
- Discussion was held in regards to the Roughrider North Human Service Zone requesting money from the County's to distribute bonuses to the Zone employees. It was agreed to gather more information on the request and re-address it at a later time.

Mrs. Campbell and students from the Community Development class joined the meeting to observe.

The County Fair Board met with the Board to give an update on the building plans and discuss the Recovery Funds available for the possible project. It was discussed to add bathrooms to the blue building and fix the roof and to update the bathrooms and kitchen on the red building and fix the sound problems and the possibility of removing the outdoor bathrooms.

Misty Hayes with the USFS met with the Board to give them updates.

2 pm was the advertised time for the public hearing on the proposed 2023 budgets and levies. Sheriff Dey Muckle joined the meeting. Chairman Schmitz opened the meeting up for public input and there was none. Commissioner Schmeling move to approve the 2023 mill levies and 2023 budgets as presented and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Courthouse hours. Commissioner Schmitz moved to set the Courthouse hours to 8am - 4pm Monday through Thursday and 8am - 1pm Friday effective immediately and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Jon Heath with NDPHIT met with the Board via Zoom Call to discuss the benefits of Golden Valley County joining NDPHIT for 2023 health insurance. County Auditor Sperry will send all the employees the information that NDPHIT has to offer. No action was taken at this time and will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

Tax Director Pat Davis met with the Board to discuss an application from T-Mobile for construction of a cell power. Due to a lack of a quorum at the last Zoning Meeting no action was taken by the Zoning Board. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the application from T-Mobile and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

The Water Board met with the Board to give them an update on the Odland Dam project. Commissioner Schmitz moved to obligate \$60,000 of the Recovery Fund money to put towards the Odland Dam sediment removal project and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Commissioner Smith moved to add the Highway 10 project to the federal aid project list and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of October 2022:

Direct Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	October Payroll	51,893.13
-87690	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12,096.13
-99781	JP Morgan	Supplies	74.11
-99782	ND State Treasure		1,043.48
82992-83021	Collections Submitted		49,264.30
83022	City of Beach	Garbage & Water	699.66
83023	MDU	Electricity & Gas	1,756.29
83024	GV County States Attorney	October Expenses	1,358.33
83025	Jason Lee	Travel	10.00
83026	Troy Tescher	Travel	31.25
83027	Paul Schmitz	Travel	18.75
83028	Steve Raisler	VA Services	100.00
83029	Melby Law Office	Legal Services	382.50
83030	Golva Repair	Repair	71.75
83031	Beach Food Center	Supplies	4.05
83032	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	647.90
83033	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	208.95
83034	Cassandra Szudera	Travel	75.00
83035	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Supplies	12,001.67
83036	Quality Inn	Lodging	172.80
83037	Sign Solutions	Supplies	325.85
83038	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	21.06
83039	ND Association of Counties	D&A Testing	135.00
83040	Fairfield and Woods PC	Legal Fees	6.75
83041	Total Safety US	Extinguishers	10.00
83042	Onsolve	CodeRed	2,625.00

83043	Tyler Technologies	Contract	233.37
83044	Chemical Industries	Supplies	27,700.00
83045	Intergraph Corporation	Teletype	1,755.00
83046	ND DOT	Rd & Bridge Project	429.08
83047	Vivtech	Supplies	67.85
83048	GV County Treasure	Transfer	10,000.00
83049	Productivity Plus	Parts/Supplies	5,766.94
83050	John Deere Financial	Supplies	689.60
83051	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	19.98
83052	PB Electric	Repair	8,750.00
83053	Amkota Hotel & Confrence	Lodging	86.40
83054	Wallwork Truck Center	Supplies	92.73
83055	Jan Roers	Cleaning	110.00
83056	Cerberus Security	Contract	175.00
83057	Powerplan	Repair	3,703.29
83058	Pitney Bowes	Postage Supplies	118.99
83059	KLJ Engineering	Rd & Bridge Project	4,599.41
83060	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	700.00
83061	Darin Maus	Travel	16.25
83062	Fireside Office Solutions	Contract	94.52
83063	Seachange Print Innovations	Election	838.00
83064	Boss Inc	Supplies	1,070.05
83065	Westlie Motor Company	Parts/Supplies	225.06
83066	Armor Interactive	Contract	1,034.00
83067	US Postal Service	Box Rent	108.00
83068	Rachel Keohane	Travel	17.50
83069	Tamra Sperry	Travel	217.50
83070	Patricia Davis	Travel	197.50
83071	NDAAO	Training	175.00
83072	Uniform Center	Uniforms	82.00
83073	Adam Smith	Travel	213.00
83074	Collections Submitted		172.75
83075	GV County Treasure	Penalty & Intrest	43,888.94
83076	Clay Booth	Abatement	133.90
83077-83079	Library Disbursements		1,538.85
83080-83088	GV County Employees	October Payroll	17,454.29
83089-83095	Payroll Liabilities		49,239.22
83096	BCBS	Cobra	147.60
82097	Café		300.00
82098	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,533.23
82099	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00

83100	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	112.17
83101	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2,510.62
83102	Verizon	Cell Phone	367.14
83103	Paul Easton	Foreclosure Proceedes	5,841.30

ATTEST

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**October 13, 2022 8:30 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present, along with Sheriff Dey Muckle.

The reason for this special meeting is to review the North Dakota Public Health Insurance Trust proposal for 2023 self-funded health plan programs and make a decision whether to move forward with the proposal or not. Commissioner Smith moved to sign the member participation and subscription endorsement for the North Dakota Public Health Insurance Trust and move forward with transition starting January 1, 2023 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 A.M.

## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 19, 2022 1:00 P.M.**

Chairman Paul Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioner Adam Smith along with States Attorney Christina Wenko via telephone were present.

This hearing is on the minimum sale price set by the Board of County Commissioners for the property turned back to Golden Valley County for unpaid taxes.

There was no public participation. It was agreed to leave the minimum values that were set at the October 6<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as state below:

- **Property 1:** Parcel #05138000 Lots 3-4 Block 3, Richard's 1<sup>st</sup> City of Beach 449 Central Ave N  
-Minimal Value of \$1,719.87
- **Property 2:** Parcel #04485000 Lot 10-S1/2 & 5' of N1/2 Block 6, Original Beach City of Beach 145 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE  
- Minimal Value of \$2,321.50

10:00 A.M is the time that the Board set for the Annual Sale on November 15, 2022 for these properties.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

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

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

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Discussion was held in regards to the County contributing \$12,000 towards bonuses for the Human Service Zone Employees as requested by the Zone Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to deny the request as they are State employees and Commissioner Smith seconded. Roll Call Vote: Smith-no, Schmeling-no and Schmitz-no. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the County's 2019 audit that currently is not complete by Schmitz-Holmstrom. It was agreed that the County needs to get caught up on the audits for 2019-2021. Commissioner Smith moved to have Schmitz-Holmstrom finish the 2019 audit and to hire Eide Bailly to complete the 20-21 audits and future audits and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved to designate up to \$70,000 of the ARPA funds to do the 2 year audit and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to hire Aakre Construction to replace the roof on the Social Services Building for \$12,000 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint Commissioner Smith to the County Canvass Board to replace Schmitz as he is out of town on November 21<sup>st</sup> and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards to updating the employee handbook to reflect the County joining NDPHIT. It was agreed that States Attorney Wenko will create a resolution for approval at the December meeting.
- Discussion was held on updating the phones in the Courthouse. It was agreed to move forward and get an updated quote from RTC.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the Land Purchase budget for 2022 for \$5842 that was paid to Paul Easton for the proceeds from sale of foreclosure property in 2021 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:37 am.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of November 2022:

Direct			
Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	November Payroll	59,802.69
-87671	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	13,698.58
-99778	POST Board	Renewal/License	45.00
-99779	JP Morgan	Supplies	501.31
-99780	ND State Treasure		1,064.37
		November	
83104	GV County States Attorney	Expenses	1,358.33
83105	Mainstay Suites	Lodging	176.40
83106	Radisson Hotel Bismarck	Lodging	1,036.80
83107	Noll Construction	Blading	2,102.50
83108	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	649.95
83109	Paul Schmitz	Travel	409.38
83110	Golva Repair	Repair	194.50
83111	Henry Gerving	Travel	545.50
83112	ND State Radio Communications	Renewal/License	7,643.23
83113	NDSU Extension	Salary	5,493.29
83114	US Postal Service	Postage	72.35
83115	US Postal Service	Postage	300.00
83116	Farmers Union Oil	Parts	15,663.65
83117	ND Association of Counties	Registration	2,330.00
83118	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	531.18
83119	Sign Solutions	Signs	162.13
83120	Fairfield & Woods PC	Legal Fees	13.49
83121	Boss Inc	Supplies	384.83
83122	Ryan Aakre Contstruction	Repair	350.00
83123	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	275.65
83124	Northwest Tire	Tires	5,599.92
83125	Jan Roers	Cleaning	130.00
83126	Armor Interactive	Contract	193.45
83127	Cerebus Security	Contract	175.00
83128	Wallwork Truck Center	Repair	162.17

83129	Re-issue check 83044		27,700.00
83130	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	437.59
83131	MDU	Electricity& Gas	2,107.50
83132-83162	Collections Submitted		71,176.15
83163-83167	Library Disbursements		615.92
83168	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,626.70
83169-83177	GV County Employees	November Payroll	17,982.24
83178-83184	Payroll Liabilities		52,383.43
83185	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	111.74
83186	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
83187	Beach Food Center	Ag Improvement	19.15
83188	BCBS	Cobra	147.60
83189	Café		300.00
83190	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	367.14
83191	Re-issue check 83101		2,510.62
83192	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2,313.96
83193	Post Board	Testing	25.00

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
NOVEMBER 15, 2022 10:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith along with States Attorney Christina Wenko were present for the annual sale of real estate forfeited to Golden Valley County for delinquent taxes.

The County advised that it was not warranting title to any of these properties and the buyer was put on notice they were purchasing the property under that premise.

There were two properties delinquent:

**Property 1:** Parcel #05138000 Lots 3-4 Block 3, Richard's 1<sup>st</sup> City of Beach 449 Central Ave N  
-Minimal Value of \$1,719.87

**Property 2:** Parcel #04485000 Lot 10-S1/2 & S 5' of N1/2 Block 6, Original Beach City of Beach 145 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE  
- Minimal Value of \$2,321.50

County Auditor Tamra Sperry opened the bid up for parcel #05138000 at the minimum value set by the Board at \$1,719.87. The final bid for the property was \$10,100 by Jason Conaway.

County Auditor Tamra Sperry then opened the bid up for parcel #04485000 at the minimum value set by the Board at \$2,321.50. The final bid for the property was \$5,200 by Clark Beach.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept those bids and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
NOVEMBER 15, 2022 MEETING 10:45 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith along with States Attorney Christina Wenko were present for the special meeting.

Purpose of this meeting is to discuss hiring an office deputy in the Treasurer's Office.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to hire Candie Loftsgard as a deputy in the County Treasurer's office as she will be the new elected Treasure effective May 1, 2023 to start training at \$22/hour starting December 1<sup>st</sup> and to amend the Treasurer's budget by \$3,344 to reflect the new hire and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 10:55 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
DECEMBER 6, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

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

Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint himself as the Chairman for the remaining 2022 year and for 2023. Motion died due to a lack of a second. Commissioner Smith moved to appoint himself as the Chairman for the remaining 2022 year and for 2023 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-yes, Schmeling-no, Smith-yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda with taking off the resolution to appoint an official newspaper for Golden Valley County under current business and to take Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Engineers off the agenda and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- December 29, 2022 at 1 pm is the date and time set for the final meeting of 2022.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with an abatement on parcel #04996000. The City of Beach reviewed the abatement and recommends that the Board of County Commissioners review and assess the property equally to that of properties similar. After much discussion and visiting with Tax Director Pat Davis for clarification Commissioner Smith moved to reject the applicant's request for an abatement as the Board feels the property is equally assessed to that of other comparable properties and proper notice of increases have been sent to the property owners and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-yes, Schmeling-no, Smith-yes. Motion carried.
- The Christmas Holiday closure for the County Offices is December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> for Christmas and January 2, 2023 for New Year's.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to adopt and sign the following Resolution and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-13**

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION  
AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK REGARDING THE  
INTRODUCTORY PERIOD AND BENEFITS

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 in light of the County's decision to switch insurance carriers; 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. 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 closed to the date of hire.

See the County Auditor for clarification of these benefit provisions.

Dated this 6th day of December 2022.

APPROVED:

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Adam Smith, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners  
County of Golden Valley

ATTEST:

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Tamra Sperry  
Golden Valley County Auditor

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to waive the probation period for Candie Loftsgard so she can utilize her vacation and sick leave as it is earned and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the salary for the outgoing Commissioner and newly elected Commissioner. County Auditor Sperry will reach out to the outgoing Commissioner to discuss what is expected. Commissioner Schmeling moved to prorate the salaries based on current salaries and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to pay for the bills totaling \$8,283.84 for the clean up of the transformer at the Fairgrounds and to amend the General budget by that amount and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the Capital Outlay budget by \$25,000 due to unexpected boiler repairs and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the bid from Marman Construction for \$13,940 to fix the south parking lot and water problems into the Courthouse and to amend the 2023 budget for the same amount as that is when the work will be completed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board on update from her office.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board for the Chairman's signature the SW District Health Unit Mill Levy and a letter of correspondence in regards to relocating the extra DAV van to another County that can benefit from the van as the County does not utilize this van.

Clerk of Court/Recorder Rachel Keohane met with the Board to give them an update on the proposal of the State taking over the Clerk of Court services. This is in the beginning stages and still needs to go to legislature. Commissioner Farstveet moved to allow Keohane to hire

someone as a temporary part-time employee to do back scanning of documents into Doc Pro at a rate of \$15/hour out of the Document Preservation fund depending on experience for up to 20 hours per week through April 2023 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Smith signed the annual maintenance certification for the county federal aid projects.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
DECEMBER 29, 2022 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 approve the agenda and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was held in regards to Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch to renew the beer and liquor license for 2023. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the renewal of the beer and liquor license for 2023 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to go over the submitted bills from Motorola Solutions for updating the radios in the Sheriff's department.

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Sue Marman to replace Linda Ridenhower for a 3 year term to the Library Board and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve an abatement on parcel #02769500 for 2021 and 2022 due to clerical errors and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to Amend the Recovery Fund budget by \$60,000 to reflect the payment to the Water Board for the Odlands Dam project that was approved at the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 1:48 P.M

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of December 2022:

Direct Deposit	Golden Valley County Employees	December Payroll	55,205.29
-87649	NDPHIT	Insurance	26,170.48

-87650	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	12,828.08
-99772	JP Morgan	Supplies	508.34
-99773	NDPHIT	Insurance	26,378.15
-99774	ND State Treasure		1,007.33
-99775	JP Morgan	Supplies	1,280.62
-99776	Pitney Bowes	Postage	500.00
-99777	Pitney Bowes	Postage	500.00
83194	GV County States Attorney	Dec Expenses	1,358.33
83195	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	656.85
83196	ND Newspaper Association	Publishing	180.40
83197	Uniform Center	Uniforms	270.89
83198	Cassandra Szudera	Election	35.00
83199	Tracey Trask	Election	254.00
83200	Renae Smith	Election	287.50
83201	Raynette Szudera	Election	288.00
83202	Jacqueline Dietz	Election	298.50
83203	Dakota Dut-Tex	Floor Care	104.10
83204	Rachel Keohane	Travel	77.50
83205	Gloria Padilla	Reimbursement	31.75
83206	SW Multi-County Correction Center	Prisoner Care	350.00
83207	Pitney Bowes	Lease	458.13
83208	Armor Interactive	Contract	1,034.00
83209	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	593.06
83210	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Supplies	14,464.32
83211	Auto Value Glendive	supplies	36.02
83212	Patricia Davis	Travel	357.50
83213	Henry Gerving	Travel	16.90
83214	Steele Auto Body LLC	Repair	110.00
83215	Total Safety US	Contract	190.00
83216	CNH Industrial Accounts	Parts/Supplies	907.50
83217	Big State Industrial Supply	Parts/Supplies	214.08
83218	Intergraph Corporation	Teletype	1,512.00
83219	West Dakota Parent & Family Res	Education	120.00
83220	Stark-Billings County Extension	Leg Updates	23.61
83221	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	130.56
83222	John Deere Financial	Parts/Supplies	211.55
83223	Ron & Joanne Davidson	Scoria	23,612.50
83224	Jan Roers	Contract	65.00
83225	Boss Inc	Supplies	731.49
83226	KLJ Engineering	Road & Bridge	1,145.58
83227	Noll Construction	Contract	33,057.50

83228	Cerberus	Contract	175.00
83229	Powerplan	Supplies	3,471.89
83230	Golva Repair	Repairs	62.50
83231	City of Beach	Water & Garbage	428.27
83232	Gene W Padilla	Repair	1,350.00
83233	GV County Treasure	USDA Tax prepay	6,543.60
83234-83262	Collections Submitted		93,785.28
83263	Office of Attorney General	24/7	425.00
83264	Polar Trucking & Excavating	Contract	405.00
83265	Baranko Environmental LLC	Contract	5,975.24
83266	Sunbelt Solomon Services	Contract	1,950.48
83267	MDU	Electricity & Gas	5,155.63
83268	RTC Networks	Phone & Internet	1,623.94
83269-83276	Golden Valley County Employees	December Payroll	18,192.68
83277-83282	Payroll Liabilities		24,920.44
83283-83289	Librtary Disbursements		2,048.85
83290	Café		300.00
83291	Cobra		147.60
83292	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
83293-83294	Payroll Liabilities		4,957.00
83295	Collections Submitted		177.21
83296	AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	115.04
83297	Verizon	Cell Phone	366.92
83298	Amazon	Books	507.18
83299	City of Golva	Water	398.60
83300	Fairfield and Woods PC	Legal Fees	21.92
83301	Patricia Davis	Travel	55.63
83302	Farmers Union Oil	Parts/Fuel	26,089.13
83303	Henry Gerving	Travel	279.75
83304	US Postal Service	Bulk Mailing	72.01
83305	Beach Food Center	Supplies	11.02
83306	Ashley Ueckert	Reimbursement	281.27
83307	Robert Schmeling	Travel	668.75
83308	Silha Funeral Home	Transport	75.00
83309	Dakota Dust-Tex	Floor Care	104.60
83310	The Badlands Patriot	Publishing	294.06
83311	Goldenwest Electric Cooperative	Prepay	1,346.00
83312	ND Association of Counties	D&A Testing	135.00
83313	Prairie Lumber Beach	Supplies	108.88
83314	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	670.10
83315	Quality Inn	Lodging	441.00

83316	Ramada Bismarck Hotel	Lodging	97.02
83317	GV County Treasure	Transfer	258,961.17
83318	Colonial Research	Supplies	1,046.19
83319	DS Solutions	Election	275.00
83320	Texas Refinery	Supplies	760.94
83321	Water Management		60,000.00
83322	Mainstay Suites	Lodging	345.60
83323	The Radar Shop Inc	Updates	384.00
83324	Comfort Suites Bismarck	Lodging	176.40
83325	Team Laboratory Chemical	Supplies	1,779.50
83326	Gene Skoglund	Contract	20.00
83327	Jandt Plumbing & Heating	Repair	2,380.80
83328	Cloud 5 Solutions LLC	Subscription	90.00
83329	Motorola Solutions	Radios/Subs/Parts	125,292.24
83330	SeaChange Print Innovations	Election	394.00
83331	Election System & Software	Election	3,800.16
83332	Butler Machinery Company	Repair	2,484.85
83333	Boss Inc	Supplies	372.43
83334	John Deere Financial	Parts	302.76
83335	Powerplan	Parts	1,973.64
83336	Jan Roers	Contract	85.00
83337	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	507.98
83338	Productivity Plus Account	Parts	164.64
83339	North Dakota State University	Supplies	96.00
83340	US Postal Service	Stamps	120.00
83341	Rohan Hardware	supplies	38.96
83342	TAO Interactive	Contract	599.95

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Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

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Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners