

JANUARY 5, 2021 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 is and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the December regular and 2020 final 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 before the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint the following annual appointments for 2021: 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 have been adopted:

RESOLUTION 2021-1

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS, CLERKS, CUSTODIAN, & ROAD FOREMAN

STATES ATTORNEY	CHRISTINA WENKO
TAX & ZONING DIRECTOR	ANGELINA MARMAN
CUSTODIAN	GLORIA PADILLA
ROAD FOREMAN	PETER WIRTZFELD
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER	HENRY GERVING
CORONER	JOHN FOSTER
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR	TAMRA SPERRY
SAFETY RISK MANAGER	ANGELINA MARMAN
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 SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-1;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-2

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 2021,

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 5	MAY 4	SEPTEMBER 7
FEBRUARY 2	JUNE 8	OCTOBER 5
MARCH 2	JULY 6	NOVEMBER 2
APRIL 6	AUGUST 3	DECEMBER 7

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 2021-2;
COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-3

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:

JANUARY 1	NEW YEAR'S DAY	SEPTEMBER 6	LABOR DAY
JANUARY 18	MARTIN LUTHER KING	NOVEMBER 11	VETERAN'S DAY
FEBRUARY 15	PRESIDENTS' DAY	NOVEMBER 25	THANKSGIVING

APRIL 2	GOOD FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 26	THANKSGIVING
MAY 31	MEMORIAL DAY	DECEMBER 24	CHRISTMAS EVE
JULY 5	OBSERVED	DECEMBER 23	OBSERVED
	INDEPENDENCE DAY	DECEMBER 31	CHRISTMAS DAY
			OBSERVED NEW YEAR'S DAY

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

COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-3;
 COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-4

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.

COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-4;
 COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-5

REIMBURSEMENT FOR MILEAGE, MEALS AND LODGING

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

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

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

IN-STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATES:

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

BREAKFAST – TRAVEL MUST BEGIN BY 7:00 AM

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

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

LODGING RATE: \$86.40

PERSONAL VEHICLE MILEAGE RATE: \$0.56

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-5;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-6

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 2021-6;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-7

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 SCHMITZ MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-7;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-8

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	\$8,435,582.00

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-8;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-9

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 2021-9;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-10

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 2021 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LOBBY OF THE COURTHOUSE BE DECLARED THE LOCATION FOR POSTING LEGAL NOTICES.

COMMISSIONER SCHMITZ MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-10;
COMMISSIONER SCHMELING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 2021-11

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 2021,

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

AUDITOR/HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER	\$61,072.00
TREASURER	58,132.00
DEPUTY AUDITOR	20.00/HOUR
CLERK OF COURT/RECORDER/MAGISTRATE	46,937.00
TAX/ZONING DIRECTOR	41,500.00
STATE'S ATTORNEY (INCL. CITY PROSEC. CONT.)	50,215.00
COUNTY AGENT (COUNTY SHARE 50%)	25,063.00

COUNTY AGENT SECRETARY	18.72/HOUR
D.E.S. COORDINATOR	15,450.00
SHERIFF	67,140.00
DEPUTY SHERIFF	49,828.00
CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF	66,321.00
OFFICE DEPUTY	22.70/HOUR
CUSTODIAN	18.00/HOUR
ROAD FOREMAN	66,182.00
ROAD CREW (2)	23.83/HOUR
ROAD CREW (2)	25.14/HOUR
ROAD CREW (1)	27.27/HOUR
WEED CONTROL OFFICER	43,840.00
COMMISSIONER CHAIRMAN	18,216.00
COMMISSIONERS (2)	15,816.00
RISK MANAGER	1,249.00
CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATOR	1,249.00
COUNTY CORONER	4,500.00
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER	7,715.00
911 COORDINATOR	6,242.00
WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR	1,249.00
LIBRARIAN	22.80/HOUR
ZONING BOARD MEMBERS & SECRETARY	45.00/MEETING

COMMISSIONER SCHMELING MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-11;
COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

- The Board has set the Annual County Township meeting at 11 A.M. at the regular monthly meeting on February 2, 2021.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to allow County Auditor Sperry to run payroll for January on January 15th and February on February 12th due to Holidays falling on the regular payroll dates and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Judy Ridenhower to another 3 year term on the Library Board and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to accept and sign the contract with Stacey Swanson for training the new Tax Director Angelina Marman and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to sign an agreement for unlimited security support for 2021 with Cerberus for \$175 per month and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board and update from her office.

Discussion was held on duplicate Right of Ways the County has with the Bureau of Land Management. Commissioner Schmeling moved to vacate Right of Way NDM 53904 and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board. Discussion was held on the Southwest Multi-County Correction Board. Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint Commissioner Schmeling to the Board to replace Roger Clemens and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the SW CRIB board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Sheriff Muckle as the SW CRIB primary contact and Scott Steele as the secondary contact and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was also held on dash cameras for the patrol units. It was agreed that it is in the County's best interest to go with a leasing/subscription option on the cameras versus buying them. Commissioner Schmitz moved to allow Sheriff Muckle to purchase a desktop for his office and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the Deputy Sheriff's base line salary. Commissioner Schmitz moved to increase the base line salary to \$3595/month and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to increase Deputy Sheriff Dustin Fulton's salary to \$4152.30/month and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Christina Jorgenson from the Dickinson Area Chamber met with the Board in regards to the SW Night with the Legislators to be held in Bismarck at the Ramkota on February 22nd.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld, Andrew Krebs with KLJ and Jon Brosz with Brosz Engineering met with the Board. Krebs visited with the Board in regards to the completion of crushing at the Trester scoria pit and the final paperwork was signed. Brosz informed the Board that the final payment billing for the Mosher bridge project is not yet completed as they are waiting for the contractor to get the paperwork in for the certs. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:08 P.M.

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry, Auditor

Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 2, 2021 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 with the addition of meeting with Sheriff Muckle at 10:45 AM and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the January regular meeting minutes with the correction to New Year's Eve Holiday to a full day off to reflect the New Year's Day Holiday and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought before the Board:

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

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER

Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 7-1-20 through 12-31-20

BALANCE 7-1-2020	\$11,080,721.38		
JULY COLLECTIONS	\$212,090.91	JULY. PAYMENTS	\$888,506.44
AUG. COLLECTIONS	\$287,452.54	AUG. PAYMENTS	\$298,789.56
SEPT. COLLECTIONS	\$127,524.88	SEPT. PAYMENTS	\$278,402.80
OCT. COLLECTIONS	\$265,732.18	OCT. PAYMENTS	\$295,802.56
NOV. COLLECTIONS	\$209,581.83	NOV. PAYMENTS	\$383,863.14
DEC. COLLECTIONS	\$997,018.58	NOV. PAYMENTS	\$898,226.68
		BALANCE 12-31-2020	\$10,136,531.12
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TOTAL	\$13,180,122.30		\$13,180,122.30
BALANCE 12-31-2020	\$10,136,531.12	BANK DEPOSITS	\$4,893,696.83
		WESTERN COOP. CU SA	\$225,958.31
		LIBR. CD & SAVINGS	\$50,900.96
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$4,959,595.81
		CASH ITEMS	\$0.00
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$0.00
		CASH ON HAND	\$6,379.21
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TOTAL	\$10,136,531.12		\$10,136,531.12

GOLDEN VALLEY CO. TREASURER

- The Board has set the Annual Park Board Meeting to be held with the regular March meeting on March 2nd at 10 AM.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to extend the Covid Families First Coronavirus Response Act that is already in place for another 3 months and will be readdressed at the May meeting and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to pay the City of Beach \$7,262.23 for the final payment from the Cares Act Coronavirus Relief Fund for Law Enforcement Payroll Reimbursement from 2020 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the Road Reserve Budget by \$300,000 to transfer out to the County HT fund for crushing that was not budgeted for and the County HT revenue budget by \$300,000 to reflect the transfer and the County HT budget by the same amount for the additional crushing and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Smith moved to purchase a new DVR that is no longer functioning for the security system and to add an additional 2 cameras where needed in the Sheriff's department and to amend the Capital Outlay budget by \$4,266 for the purchases and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Dan Farstveet with DAK Insurance met with the Board to go over the County's annual review. Commissioner Schmeling moved to increase the vehicle deductible to \$500 to save the County about \$5000 per year and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was held in regards to a deed that was not recorded from a County tax sale back in 1952. States Attorney Wenko will be in contact with the current land owner Judy Stenberg as she works towards resolving the issue.

Tax/Zoning Director Angelina Marman met with Board and request they approve the Zoning Boards recommendation of the following:

- McKenzie Electric Cooperative (MEC) requests a Conditional Use Permit for four single-phase overhead power lines in existing corridors in Sections 3-144-105, 9-144-105, 10-144-105, 14-144-105, 15-144-105, 21-144-105, 22-144-105, 23-144-105, 25-144-105, 26-144-105, 27-144-105, 28-144-105, and 29-144-105.
- McKenzie Electric Cooperative (MEC) requests a Conditional Use Permit to rebuild a power line along Blacktail Road in Sections 7-144-104, 8-144-104, 14-144-104, 17-144-104, and 18-144-104.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept those conditional use permits and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to accept Henry Gerving's resignation as GIS and to combine the position with the Tax/Zoning Director and increase that salary by \$104.03 per month and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss the Sheriff Shop updates. Commissioner Smith moved to finish the electrical work that was started in 2020 and estimated at \$13,995.25 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

11 AM was the advertised time for Annual/County Township Meeting. Commissioners Paul Schmitz, Adam Smith and Robert Schmeling along with Tax Director Angelina Marman, Weed Control Officer Mark Golberg JR, Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and States Attorney Christina Wenko were present.

Chairman Schmitz welcomed the group and thanked them for coming to the Annual County/Township Meeting. 8 Township officers from 5 of the 10 Townships were present for the meeting.

Tax Director, Angelina Marman discussed with the group about soil surveys and the County is within the State tolerance so there will be no changes. Discussion was held on the Township

equalization schedule. If there was a discrepancy in the scheduling the Township will work with Marman 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 2020 and projects for 2021, overweight permitting, energy impact grants, mowing and crushing.

Weed Control Officer Mark Golberg 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.

There was a brief question and answer session.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the Annual Township/County meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

The regular meeting reconvened.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Discussion was held in regards to replacing the truck that was totaled. Commissioner Schmeling moved to replace the truck and to amend the Special County Road Budget by \$130,000 for the purchase of the truck and also amend the Road Reserve Budget by \$100,000 to transfer into the Special County Road fund to cover the cost of the truck minus the insurance check received and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:55 P.M.

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry, Auditor

Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 2, 2021 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 deletion of the ambulance mill for extrication under the current business and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the February regular meeting minutes with the corrections 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 before the Board:

- Discussion was held on employee status of rehires. Commissioner Schmitz moved to treat rehire employees as a new hire with new hire status and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regards of a 2nd Amendment Resolution and no action was taken.
- Discussion was held in regards to a deed that was not recorded from a County tax sale back in 1952. States Attorney Wenko worked with the current owner Judy Stenberg as to resolve the issue and created a County Deed to correct the issue. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve and sign the Deed and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- An application for abatement was submitted by David Clarin for a mobile home that is located on the NE ¼, SEC 14-138-105. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the abatement as the mobile home is exempt from taxation pursuant to NDCC 57-55 as it is not attached to utility services and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Commissioner Schmitz called the Annual County Park Board meeting to order. County Park Board Members that were present: Kim Gaugler, Commissioners Smith, Schmeling and Schmitz. Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Rachel Keohane to the County Park Board to fill the vacancy and Kim Gaugler seconded. Motion carried. Tina Davidson with the Fair, Janie Rathbun with the City of Beach Park, Tom Heckaman with the Golf Association presented the Board with their requests. A written request from the Spirit of the West was received. Commissioner Schmeling moved to distribute \$1,000 to the Fair, \$5,000 to the City of Beach Pool, \$1,000 to the Spirit of the West and \$750 to the Golf Association and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn the Annual County Park Board meeting and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened.

County 911 Coordinator Henry Gerving met with the Board to discuss the job duties of the 911 Coordinator. Discussion was held on signage of the roads in the County. It was agreed to get together with the emergency entities at a LECP meeting to go over where the signage would be most beneficial.

Sheriff Dey Muckle introduced the new Deputy Sheriff Anthony Mauser to the Board. Discussion was held on heating in the sheriff shop. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the bid from Farmers Union to update the heating in the sheriff shop for \$3,995.98 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the employee status of Carrie Zachmann. For purposes of benefits and vacation accruals she will be treated as a new hire and from the recommendation from Sheriff Muckle there will be no probation period due to her prior years of service and being in the same department as previous employed.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ 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 12:38 P.M.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 6, 2021 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 with the addition of discussing the removal of the light poles at the Fairgrounds under current business and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the March 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 before the Board:

- Discussion was held on the removal of the light poles at the Fairgrounds. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to start summer hours for the Courthouse on May 1, 2021 through September 10, 2021 with the hours being 8 am-12:30 pm and 1 pm-4 pm on Monday-Thursday and 8 am-1 pm on Fridays and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the members of the building committee. Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint Commissioner Schmeling, Auditor Tamra Sperry and Custodian Gloria Padilla to the building committee and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Custodian Gloria Padilla's 6 month probation has expired. Commissioner Schmeling moved to increase her hourly rate by \$1 effective immediately as she is doing a great job and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the Indirect Cost Allocation that the County receives for Human Services. Billings County is requesting \$30,000/annually to be allocated to them from the other member counties using the same percentages as the indirect cost allocations which is 10.8% for Golden Valley County totaling \$3,240 to help cover the additional cost of being the Host County for the Roughrider North Human Service Zone. Commissioner Schmitz moved to allocate \$3,240 of the Indirect Cost payment to Billings County and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the office that ITD rented from the County. They are no longer going to rent the space and it was agreed that VSO/County 911 Director Henry Gerving will move in that office.
- Legislative wrap up is scheduled for May 10th in person.

- County Auditor Sperry informed the Board that the Social Service building needs new phones and quotes are being requested. Sperry also informed the Board that an employee was out sick with Covid for 3 weeks and because the County has extended the Families First Coronavirus Response Act Policy the employee will be paid 80 hours at full salary per the policy. Sperry also informed the Board the Annual NDIRF meeting is scheduled for May 19th.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.

Henry Gerving joined the meeting.

Josh Barthel and Jared Ross met with the Board to get clarifications in regards to the Veteran Service Office. Gerving answered various questions.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board to discuss various road topics. Jon Broz with Broz Engineering joined the meeting. Broz informed the Board the Mosher Road project is finalized. Discussion was held in regards to Noll Construction LLC blading 31 miles of County roads in the South as done in the past. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the quote from Noll Construction LLC to blade 31 miles of County Roads consisting of Golva E 9 miles and S 5 miles, W 4 miles, and N 3 miles to curve, 1 mile E of curve, and 5 miles W on Hwy 16 and from Hwy 16 S, 3 miles and 2 miles W to State Line for \$130 per hour and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:58 A.M.

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

Direct Depos	Golden Valley County Employees	April Payroll	61094.84
-88088	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	1842.94
-88087	NDPERS	Payroll/Liability	11233.07
-99831	JP Morgan	Supplies	147.49
-99830	ND State Treasure		1450.87
81055-81084	Collections Submitted		79390.93
81085	Darrel's Body Shop	Parts	220.00
81086	Matthew Bender & Co	Dues	82.10
81087	Powerplan	Repairs	6009.44
81088	Red Rock Ford	Repairs	294.80
81089	Prairie Lumber Beach	Supplies	242.02
81090	Uniform Center	Supplies	364.48
81091	Westlie Motor Company	Parts	1141.93
81092	Dakota Dust Tex	Floor Care	160.30
81093	ND State Water Commission	Dues	2000.00
81094	Stacey Swanson	Consulting	1000.00
81095	Rohan Hardware	Supplies	242.47
81096	Adam Smith	Travel	211.79
81097	Reservation Telephone	Trunking	40.00
81098	Information Technology Dept	Data Processing	652.20

81099	GV County States Attorney	Dues	1358.33
81100	Henry Gerving	Travel	272.30
81101	Mainstay Suites	Lodging	170.00
81102	DataSpecs Inc	Dues	449.00
81103	Gerald Streitz	Travel	22.40
81104	Dunn County	Multi-Hazard Plan	3858.65
81105	Farmers Union Oil	Parts	20159.61
81106	Armor Interactive	Service Agreement	2798.93
81107	Dept of Transportation	Road/Bridge Project	8972.43
81108	US Postal Service	Box Rent	150.00
81109	Otis Elevator Company	Service Contract	876.84
81110	Psychological Resources	Evaluation	135.00
81111	Electro Watchman Inc	Tech	455.40
81112	Fast Initial Response System	Supplies	86.44
81113	Big State Industrial Supply	Parts	118.00
81114	Golden Valley News	Publications	975.89
81115	3D Specialties	Sign	339.62
81116	Golva Repair	Repair	158.75
81117	Lawson Products Inc	Parts	13.42
81118	Cereberus Security	Repair	393.00
81119	Boss	Supplies	690.54
81120	PharmChem Inc	Supplies	57.10
81121	Troy Tescher	Travel	28.00
81122	Paul Schmitz	Travel	16.80
81123	Darin Maus	Travel	14.56
81124	Jason Lee	Travel	8.96
81125	Pitney Bowes Inc	Supplies	226.08
81126	Wallwork Truck Center	Repair	915.34
81127	Peter Wirtzfeld	Reimbursement	25.50
81128	Dooley Enterprises	Supplies	526.87
81129	SW Business Machines	Supplies	761.11
81130	Fastenal Company	Supplies	133.99
81131	B & H Delivery LLC	Parts	12.50
81132	Deere Credit Inc	Tractor Cab	7196.00
81133	SW Multi-County Correction	Prisoner Care	215.00
81134	MDU	Electricity and Gas	2715.73
81135	City of Beach	Water and Garbage	421.45
81136	Midstate Communications	Phone/Internet	1428.46
81137	Reservation Telephone Coop	Trunking	40.00
81138	Riverside Marine & Cycle LLC	Repair	202.77
81139	ND Tax Commissioner	Income Tax	1924.22
81140	Post Board	Licensing	25.00
81141-81143	NDSU Extension Disbursements		827.21
81144-81146	Ag Improvement Disbursements		825.00
81147-81151	Library Disbursements		2059.36
81152-81165	Void		Void

81166-81176	Golden Valley County Employees	April Payroll	16171.45
81177-81183	Payroll Liabilities		47445.28
81184	BCBS	Cobra	143.30
81185-81186	Café		350.00
81187	Collections Submitted		210.86
81188	Golden Valley News	Publications	48.66
81189	Cenex Fleet Fueling	Fuel	1935.10
81190	Gerald Streitz	Travel	22.40
81191	Verizon	Cell Phone	191.28
81192	AT&T	Cell Phone	147.82

ATTEST:

 Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

 Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
 APRIL 8, 2021 11:00 A.M.**

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

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss the phone issues at the Human Services Building.

Patsy Maus joined the meeting. Discussion was held in regards to the out dated telephones that are not functioning correctly at the Human Services Building. A quote was reviewed from RTC. It was agreed to get an updated quote after RTC comes out to look at the building. No action was taken at this time.

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

ATTEST:

 Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

 Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
 MAY 4, 2021 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, Gary Nelson and Dan Cash.

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

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

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

Current business brought before the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the gaming site authorization for Home On The Range for the Calcutta at the rodeo and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to extend the Covid Families First Coronavirus Response Act the County has in place until December 31, 2021 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase a desk from Lindsay Dykins for \$300 for the Veterans Service Office and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Legislative Wrap Up is May 10th.
- Discussion was held on an email from Henry Gerving in regards to the GIS position. No action was taken.
- Discussion was held on garbage disposal for rural residents as the County is in a burn ban. Commissioner Schmitz visited with the City of Beach about using the landfill and that those in need of disposal are to contact the City of Beach.
- Commissioner Smith moved to purchase a new computer for the recorder's office for \$860.42 and amend the Capital Outlay budget by the same amount and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the process of the upcoming 2022 budgets.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to elect Scott Ouradnik to the Board of Directors of the corporation to serve a term of 3 years for the ND Insurance Reserve Fund and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to change the October 5th month regular meeting to October 12th as the NDACo Annual Meeting is held October 3-5 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney discussed with the Board the Satellite Interagency Agreement and recommend to the Board to approve and sign the agreement. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the Satellite Interagency Agreement and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Theresa Liebsch, Vision Zero Regional Coordinator met with the Board via telephone to introduce herself and discuss with them how a community can promote safer driving. Liebsch

works with different entities and informed the Board that the program is State funded and training and educations are available at no cost.

Misty Hayes with the Forest Service met with the Board for the annual visit. Various topics were discussed including oil leases, fire bans and fires.

Tax Director Angelina Marman met with the Board and presented an abatement from Dan Schaal on parcel #02937000 as the deadline to file for farm home exemption was missed for 2020 due to medical reasons. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the abatement and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld met with the Board. Discussion was held in regards to the County's need of crushing. Andrew Krebs with KLJ joined the meeting. Various other road topics were discussed.

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

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
May 7, 2021 10:00 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present along with Tax Director Angelina Marman and Rachel Keohane.

Jane Cook with the Golden Valley News joined the meeting.

The purpose of this special meeting is to meet with Tax Director Angelina Marman in regards to the Tax Director position and possible vacancy.

Tax Director Angelina Marman informed the Board that she was offered another job at another County with a higher salary. After much discussion Marman requested from the Board an additional \$6,000 to the current salary. Commissioner Schmitz moved to leave the salary as is and readdress it at budget time and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Marman will let the Board know of her decision in the near future.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:12 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tamra Sperry, County Auditor

Paul J. Schmitz, Chairman, County Commissioners

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
May 27, 2021 9:00 A.M.

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

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss the current burn ban and sign an updated burn ban.

Discussion was held in regards to the current burn ban in place. Commissioner Smith moved to rescind the current burn ban that was signed on April 8, 2021 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to sign and put in place an updated burn ban following the ND Rangeland and Fire Index and Daily Fire Rating and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

2021 FIRE EMERGENCY AND BURN BAN FOR GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County Board of County Commissioners recognizes that Golden Valley County, North Dakota has potential dry conditions with significant fuel supplies available; and

WHEREAS, Golden Valley County has sustained or been threatened with rural fires in the past and the Golden Valley County Department of Emergency Services has been in consultation with local fire departments; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being, and safety of the citizens of Golden Valley County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear and fire damages may be in excess of available County resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Golden Valley County Commissioners declare a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban to include a ban on ignition of fireworks, garbage burning, campfires, burning of farm and crop land and unnecessary off-road motorized travel when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Index is in the High, Very High or Extreme category and/or Red Flag Warning has been issued for Golden Valley County, North Dakota. Please contact your local Fire Chief before burning of any kind. Beach: Dan Buchholz 872-6662, Golva: Danny Noll 872-6130 and Sentinel Butte: Mike Van Horn 872-6715.

The Daily Fire Danger Rating can be found at the following web site:

www.ndresponse.gov/burn-ban-restrictions-fire-danger-maps

Any prior Fire Emergency and Burn Bans issued by Golden Valley County are rescinded and replaced by this ban.

PURSUANT TO N.D.C.C. § 37-17.1-10.1, ANY PERSON WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THE BURNING BAN ESTABLISHED BY THIS RESOLUTION IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR, WHICH CARRIES WITH IT A PENALTY OF UP TO 30 DAYS IN JAIL, A \$1,500.00 FINE, OR BOTH. IN ADDITION, RESTITUTION OF FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS MAY BE SOUGHT FROM THE COURT.

Dated at Beach, ND, this 27th day of May, 2021.
Golden Valley County, North Dakota

Paul Schmitz, Board Chairman
Golden Valley County Commission

Attest: Tamra Sperry
Golden Valley County Auditor

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 9:14 A.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 1, 2021 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 Schmeling moved to approve the May regular and special meeting minutes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought before the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to re-appoint Rick Bostyan to the County Reorganization Committee for another 3 year term and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to appoint Rachel Keohane to the County Tuition Appeals Committee for a 3 year term to replace Dave Quale and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to sign the request for funding of the Health Maintenance Program for 2022 for \$6,500 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- 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.
- Discussion was held in regards to the letter received from the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council for Development for funding in the amount of \$5,700 for 2022. No action was taken at this time as Commissioner Schmitz will attend their next meeting to discuss the request.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to set up a new fund named Recovery Fund and to have County Auditor Sperry request the first half of the Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Funds and place those funds in the Recovery Fund and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko gave the Board an update.
- Discussion was held in regards to an email that Chairman Schmitz and County Auditor Sperry received from Amber Gudajtes, present president of the NDAAO requesting Henry Gerving's presence at the NDAAO conference and business meeting as Gerving is the current President of the Legislative Committee. Commissioner Schmeling moved to pay for 1 night stay if needed, mileage to and from the business meeting and any meals not covered for Henry Gerving to attend the business meeting in Fargo and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the general budget by \$14,000 to cover the electrical expenses at the Sheriff shop as the money from the Sheriff sale last year was deposited into the general fund and to amend the special assessment budget by \$620 to cover the Specials on the property the County owned from the delinquent tax properties and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to allow County Auditor Sperry to span out an employee's out of pocket medical, dental and vision over the next 3 pay periods for the amount of \$188.73 per pay period and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Darrel with RTC met with the Board via telephone. Discussion was held on the bid that the County received from them for a new phone system in the Courthouse and Social Welfare Buildings. It was agreed to get a quote from Armor and compare that to RTC. No action was taken at this time.

Leah Zook and Gene Weinreis with the LoneTree School District, Dave Wagner with the Beach School District and Rusty Makelky with the Sentinel Butte Township met with the Board to discuss the 2021 Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act payment that came in at \$1,513,500.39. Commissioner Schmeling moved to give the LoneTree School District 4% (\$60,540), Beach School District 7.5% (\$113,513), Sentinel Butte Township 3% (45,405) and \$3,000 to the Unorganized Townships and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Muckle met with the Board to update them on SIREN Radio and all updates are needing to be done by 2023.

Tax/Zoning Director Marman met with the Board. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the Zoning Boards recommendation to approve an Application for a Pipeline Permit from Mel Bosserman and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the pipeline permit fees. It was agreed to put the fees on the next Zoning meeting agenda and they can come up with a suggestion to present to the County Commissioners for their final approval.

Scott Rojic joined the meeting. Discussion was held on the millings being stored on his property. Commissioner Smith moved to enter into an agreement with Rojic and compensation for the right to store millings on the Property, the County will use existing millings left on the Property upon termination of this Agreement to create an asphalt pad on the existing pad footprint and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board to discuss various road topics. Commissioner Smith moved to approve and sign amendment number 1 to task order number 2003-00524-1 to provide services for additional crushing at the Trester Gravel Pit and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

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 no change for agricultural property and no changes for residential and commercial property for 2021. Commissioner Schmeling moved that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and find them proper as assessed or corrected as noted in the minutes and Commissioner Smith 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 Schmeling moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for the Unorganized Townships for 2021 has been reviewed and found properly assessed and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declare the Assessment Roll for 2021 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. Commissioner Schmeling moved that a finding be made that all classifications of property have been reviewed and found properly assessed with no change for agricultural property 2021 and no changes to residential commercial property 2021 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved that a finding be made that the Board reviewed all exemptions and to approve a farm home exemption on parcel #02937000 and find them proper as presented in the minutes and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved that a finding be made that the overall Assessment Roll for Golden Valley County for 2021 has been reviewed and found properly assessed and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmitz moved that based on the preceding findings, the Board declared the

Assessment Roll for 2021 for Golden Valley County equalized and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. The Board adjourned as the County Equalization Board at 2:16 P.M.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 2:32 pm.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
June 23, 2021 9:00 A.M.**

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

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss the current burn ban and sign an updated burn ban.

Discussion was held in regards to the current burn ban in place. Commissioner Schmeling moved to rescind the current burn ban that was signed on May 27, 2021 and to sign and put in place the following Total Burn Ban and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

**FIRE EMERGENCY AND BURN BAN DECLARATION
FOR GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, Golden Valley County, North Dakota has endured abnormally dry conditions compiled with high winds which have resulted in the potential for numerous rural fires; and

WHEREAS, Golden Valley County, North Dakota, has sustained or been threatened with rural fires as of this date, and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being and safety of citizens in Golden Valley County, and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear and fire damages may be in excess of County Resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Golden Valley County Commissioners declares a Total Burn Ban on open burning in Golden Valley County (including but not limited to the ignition of fireworks, garbage burning, campfires, burning of farm and crop land and unnecessary off-road motorized travel or any other outdoor activity likely to cause a spark) regardless of fire danger categories assigned per the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating Map effective immediately until further notice. The only allowed exceptions are the responsible use of gas grills and commercial practices used at a safe distance from combustible materials. This ban includes the incorporated cities in Golden Valley County.

Any prior Fire Emergency and Burn Bans issued by Golden Valley County are rescinded and replaced by this ban.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THE BURN BAN IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37-17.1-10): MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1500 FINE (NDCC 12.1-32.01), AND RESTITUTION OF FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS MAY BE SOUGHT FROM THE COURT.

Dated June 23, 2021, Golden Valley County, North Dakota

Paul Schmitz, Chairman Golden Valley County Commission

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05 am.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 6, 2021 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 Schmeling moved to approve the June 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 hooking up the phone line in the elevator. Commissioner Smith moved to hook up the phone line and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to change the regular December meeting date of December 7th to December 16th due County Auditor Sperry being absent on the 7th and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to accept a bid from Jason Conaway to scrape and paint all the white on the Courthouse for a maximum of \$3,260 for materials and labor and \$2,000 for a lift rental and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update on her office. Discussion was held on the Detention Service Agreement for Juvenile Services. Commissioner Schmitz moved to sign the Detention Service Agreement dated July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY TREASURER
Beach, North Dakota

Ledger balance for period 1-1-21 through 6-30-21

BALANCE 1-1-2021	\$10,136,531.12		
JAN. COLLECTIONS	\$1,511,299.71	JAN. PAYMENTS	\$1,755,248.73
FEB. COLLECTIONS	\$1,521,892.84	FEB. PAYMENTS	\$1,140,155.34
MAR. COLLECTIONS	\$211,185.68	MAR. PAYMENTS	\$1,102,603.95
APR. COLLECTIONS	\$283,357.65	APR. PAYMENTS	\$297,546.68
MAY COLLECTIONS	\$3,092,522.75	MAY PAYMENTS	\$1,660,658.83
JUNE COLLECTIONS	\$330,199.37	JUNE PAYMENTS	\$481,303.55
		BALANCE 6-30-2021	\$10,649,472.04
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TOTAL	\$17,086,989.12		\$17,086,989.12
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BALANCE 6-30-2021	\$10,649,472.04	BANK DEPOSITS	\$4,980,495.43
		WESTERN COOP.CU SA	\$226,014.67
		LIBR. CD & SAVINGS	\$50,934.19
		CERT. OF DEPOSITS	\$5,386,307.75
		CASH ITEMS	\$0.00
		CHECKS & DRAFTS	\$0.00
		CASH ON HAND	\$5,720.00

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to transfer \$5,000 from the Wireless 911 Fund to the County 911 Fund per 2021 budgets and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- County Auditor Sperry presented the budgets as submitted to her for 2022 to the Board. The Board will review the budgets and get back to the Auditor if they want to meet with any department heads.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss the City of Beach Law Enforcement Contract for 2022. Commissioner Smith moved that Sheriff Muckle will go back to the City of Beach and give them the option to eliminate the animal/fowl enforcement ordinance decreasing the rate by \$4.25 per hour for a total contract price for 2022 of \$98,820.80 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. The contract rate with the animal/fowl enforcement ordinance would be \$107,660.80.

Zoning Director Angelina Marman met with the Board. Commissioner Smith moved to approve the Zoning Boards recommendation to set the current pipeline permit fee schedule to \$100 per crossing for an agriculture pipeline permit and \$1,000 for an industrial pipeline permit and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmeling moved to refund Mel Bosserman and Lee Thompson \$900 each to reflect the new fee schedule as they paid \$1,000 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was also held on zoning violations and it was recommended by States Attorney Wenko to have Zoning Director Marman send a letter to the land owner informing them of the violation.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. It was agreed that Commissioner Schmitz will sign the Final Certification of Local Match identifying the local match money came from mill levies on project number BRO-0017(0020). Various road topics were discussed. Discussion was held on a request from Ken Stedman for a cattle guard at Odlands Dam access. It was agreed the County will put a cattle guard in where requested at Odlands.

11:30 am was the advertised time to open bids for the 2021 Trester Pit Crushing and Stockpiling Gravel (40,000 CY) located at 21-139-104. The following 2 bids were received: Fisher Sand & Gravel Co. for \$340,800.00 and Wyrick Construction for \$298,800.00. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept Wyrick Construction's bid for \$298,800.00 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 2, 2021 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 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 except for the voucher to the American Legion and to visit with VSO Gerving in regard to this voucher and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmeling moved to hold the regular October meeting on October 7th at 1 PM to meet the deadline for the required public hearing on 2022 budgets and mill levies and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the general budget by \$999 to the County Auditor Salary line due to a data input error while entering approved budgets into the software and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held in regard to a special event liquor license for the County. It was agreed the States Attorney will work with the County Auditor to create the license and have it ready for Board approval at the September 7th meeting.
- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Chairman Schmitz as the County Delegate for the NDACo convention and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the 2021 General budget by \$250,000 to transfer to Capital Outlay Reserve at the end of the year if funds allow and to amend the

Capital Outlay Reserve revenue budget by \$250,000 to reflect the transfer in and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

States Attorney Christina Wenko presented her human resources report in regard to a complaint concerning two employees. After an investigation, Wenko concluded that the allegations asserted do not warrant legal action. Commissioners and Wenko discussed the process of updating the Employee Manual to better address these situations in the future. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept Wenko's report and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Tax/Zoning Director Angelina Marman met with the board to discuss zoning violations at Whiskey Springs. It was agreed that Marman will send another follow up letter to the interested party and if there is no response the Board will readdress the issue.

Misty Hayes with the Forest Service met with the Board to give them an update. Hayes informed the Board that the Law Enforcement vacancy for the Forest Service has been filled and the individual is in training.

10:30 A.M. was the annual budget hearing on the 2022 SW District Health Unit budget. Sherry Adams, Administrator of the SW District Health Unit and the County's representative on their board Gene Hamilton were present for this hearing. Sherry presented the Board with the 2022 budget and informed the Board that there is no change from the 2021 budget request.

Patsy Maus joined the meeting. Discussion was held on replacing the phones over at the Social Service Building. Commissioner Smith moved to accept the quote from RTC for \$4,851.73 and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Patsy will contact RTC and let them know so things can get started.

Discussion was held on the 2022 preliminary budgets. Commissioner Schmitz moved to grant the employees a 3% raise on their current main salary and an additional 1% employer share on the NDPERS contributions and a 2% raise on the current salary of the office deputy in the law enforcement department and an additional 1% employer share on the NDPERS contributions as suggested by the Sheriff to decrease hourly differential between the office deputy and patrol deputy base and to approve the preliminary budgets as submitted and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling made a motion to approve the following preliminary levy amounts:

General: \$270,000

Council on Aging: \$31,109

Veteran Service: \$8,000

SW District Health Unit: \$60,842

Road and Bridge: \$155,543

Water Management: \$62,217

Ambulance: \$155,543

Extension Service: \$31,109

County Airport: \$8,000

Weed Control: \$62,217

Library: \$62,217
Soil Conservation: \$38,886
SW Water Authority: \$15,554
GV Historical Society: \$3,889
Jobs Development: \$22,000
Sunrise Youth: \$3,757
State Medical Levy: \$15,554
Special Assessments: \$3,600
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 Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Chairman Schmitz signed the corps permit project completion paperwork on the Rocky Butte Bridge project. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:36 pm.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 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 Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment except for the voucher to the American Legion Post from the August meeting as it is not a requirement to do any business with the American Legion Post as the Veteran Service Officer as verified by the State American Legion Adjutant and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- County Auditor Sperry discussed with the Board County Redistricting that is required this year after the Census.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve and sign the 2022 Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Beach and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve a proposal from Marman Plumbing & Construction, Inc. to install a sink and faucets in the Sherriff Shop for \$573 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the ARPA funds the County received and installing restrooms in the blue building at the Fairgrounds would qualify.
- Discussion was held on the burn ban. It was agreed to leave it as is.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update. Wenko also discussed with the Board a letter that received from C.E. Brooks & Associated, P.C. informing the Board that the firm will be closing but Danielle Bettencourt will continue to practice as she has been the attorney on the CE Brooks Roadless Billing/Quiet Title Action lawsuit. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign an agreement and continue with Danielle Bettencourt as the attorney and the files should go to her and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Tax/Zoning Director Angelina Marman met with the Board to review 2 abatements that were submitted. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the abatement on parcel #02030000 as the individual qualifies for the homestead credit and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. An abatement was submitted for review on parcel 20-15-04928000. Marman addressed the following reasons for on the request for the abatement to the Board:

- *Nonexistent improvement assessed*
 - There is a 12' x 12' shed on the property.
 - Marman had also assessed the 8' x 10' shed on the property, but had learned at the training she just attended that sheds smaller than 96 sq. ft. are not taxable. That is Marman's valuation error and should be removed from the tax roll.
- *Complainant or property is exempt from taxation*
 - The property is already exempt as a contiguous parcel to the homestead. The \$8100 veteran credit threshold has been met and applied to the homestead parcel 04929000.
- *"No notice of increase given"*
 - Per NDCC 57-02-53.1.a, a Notice of Increase is only provided to a property owner if the increase is \$3000 or more and 10% or more.
- *"Residential lots in Beach not increased consistently"*
 - It is not a residential lot, and there was not an increase in lot value.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to decrease the True and Full Value by \$1,000 as the one shed is under 96 square feet reducing the true and full value from \$13,400 to \$12,400 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held on approval of agricultural pipeline applications. It was agreed Marman will review the application with Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and approve or disapprove and the Board will be informed by an email of the applications.

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 10:41 am.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
October 7, 2021 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 Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as is and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

1 pm was the advertised time for the public hearing on the proposed 2022 budgets and levies. Those present for the public hearing were Sheriff Dey Muckle and Tax/Zoning Director Angelina Marman. Commissioner Schmeling moved to make the following budget amendments for 2022: increase the general budget by \$16,000 to reflect the premium increase for health insurance and to increase the library budget by \$1,525 due to clerical errors and to reflect the additional 1% the County is contributing for PERS and for a donation that was received in 2021 to purchase books but plan to spend the donation in 2022 and to increase the special county road budget by \$4,000 to reflect the health insurance premium increase and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz opened the meeting up for public input and there was none. Discussion was held in regards to the jobs development mill levy, it was agreed to decrease the mill levy to \$8,500 due to other 2022 revenues projected and cash carryover into 2022. It was also pointed out that there will be no SW Water Authority levy as that levy expires this year. Commissioner Smith move to approve the 2022 mill levies with the jobs development levy decrease and no levy for SW Water Authority and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the 2022 budgets with the amendments and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and moving the voucher for OnSolve to be paid out of the general fund instead of county 911 fund and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.

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 Schmitz moved to set
 - **Property 1:** Parcel #05038000 Lots 16-17-18 Block 9, Near's 1st City of Beach - Minimal Value of \$1,165.13 153 1st St SW.
 - **Property 2:** Parcel #04976100 Lot 10 Block 10, Hunter's 5th City of Beach - Minimal Value of \$4,422.05

and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. October 27, 2021 at 11 am is the time set for the public hearing on those values set.

- Commissioner Schmitz moved to appoint John Kouba to represent Golden Valley County at the State Fair Association's Annual meeting and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on snow removal. It was agreed to advertise for snow removal for the County buildings.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office. Wenko also discussed with the Board a Grant Agreement from the Veterans Affairs. Commissioner Schmeling moved to sign the Grants for Transportation of Veterans in Highly Rural Areas Grant Agreement and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Tax/Zoning Director Angelina Marman met with the Board to review 2 abatements that were submitted to the County Auditor. Commissioner Smith moved to accept an abatement on parcel #04758000 as the individual qualifies for the homestead credit and missed the deadlines for the tax years of 2020 and 2021 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was held on an abatement on parcel #04928000. It was agreed to table this abatement until Tax Director Marman does an assessment on the building in question. Commissioner Smith moved to accept the County Zoning Boards recommendation to deny Morris J. Bang's request to replat Whiskey Springs subdivision in section 23-140-103. This would affect lots 22, 32, 33, 35, and 36 and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Sheriff Muckle met with the Board to discuss equipment that would be beneficial to the County. Muckle will purchase a Stalker Speed Awareness Monitor.

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

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 27, 2021 11:00 A.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.

Commissioner Schmitz moved to leave the minimum values on the following parcels at:

Property 1: Parcel #05038000 Lots 16-17-18 Block 9, Near's 1st City of Beach - Minimal Value of \$1,165.13 153 1st St SW

Property 2: Parcel #04976100 Lot 10 Block 10, Hunter's 5th City of Beach - Minimal Value of \$4,422.05 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

11:30 A.M is the time that the Board set for the Annual Sale on November 16, 2021 for these properties.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 2, 2021 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 via telephone.

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

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

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment except for the voucher to Paul Schmitz for gravel and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith moved to pay the voucher to Paul Schmitz for gravel and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Schmitz abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Discussion was held on the Blue Cross Blue Shield premiums. The County will continue on the grandfathered plan for 2022.
- Discussion was held on County Redistricting. The Redistricting Board will hold their 1st meeting on November 16th at noon in the County Commissioner's Room at the Golden Valley County Courthouse.
- States Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office. Wenko also discussed a letter of engagement where the County is retaining Fairfield and Woods, P.C., as its attorneys to represent it in its Quiet Title Act litigation. It was agreed to sign the letter.

Tax Director Angelina Marman joined the meeting.

Discussion was held in regards to the abatement that was tabled at the October 7th meeting on parcel #04928000. Discussion was held in regards to other structures in the County that may or may not be assessed properly in regards to real property or not. The guidelines from the office of the ND State Tax Commissioner were reviewed. It was agreed to follow the proper guidelines and

the Auditor will present a copy of the application to the local governing body which is the City of Beach.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. The Chairman signed a Maintenance Certification for County Federal Aid Projects for the ND Department of Transportation. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 16, 2021 11:30 A.M.**

Chairman Paul J. Schmitz called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith along with States Attorney Christina Wenko and Vida Kaleck, Chuck Busig, Michael Bingeman, Sojourn Keller, Tiffany Conaway and Eric Herm via telephone 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: Parcel #05038000 Lots 16-17-18 Block 9, Near's 1st City of Beach and Parcel #04976100 Lot 10 Block 10, Hunter's 5th City of Beach.

County Auditor Tamra Sperry opened the bid up for parcel #05038000 at the minimum value set by the Board at \$1,165.13. The final bid for the property was \$7,000 by Tiffany Conaway.

County Auditor Tamra Sperry then opened the bid up for parcel #04976100 at the minimum value set by the Board at \$4,422. The final bid for the property was \$4,422 by Vida Kaleck.

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 11:40 A.M.

**REDISTRICTING BOARD
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 16, 2021 12:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by County Commissioner Chairman Paul J. Schmitz.

The Redistricting Board was made up of States Attorney Christina Wenko, County Commissioner Chairman Paul J. Schmitz, Tom Marman (appointed by the City of Beach to

replace Tim Marman) representing the City of Beach, Ron Davidson representing the organized townships in the County and Marnie Dietz, citizen at large representing the County.

All actions of the Board were pursuant to Chapter 11-07 of the NDCC.

The County Auditor presented the Board with the 2020 Census totals for each of the three already established Commissioner Districts. Districts 2 and 3 do not fall within the 10% of the County average as required by NDCC. County Auditor Sperry proposed to move part of Beach Civil (139-106) from Commissioner District 3 to Commissioner District 2. Doing this will move 26 citizens from District 3 to District 2 making the Districts fall within the 10% of the County average.

Ron Davidson moved to accept the proposed plan as presented and Marnie Dietz seconded. Motion carried. There will be a public hearing on the proposal on December 16, 2021 at 8:30 am in the County Commissioners Room.

Marnie Dietz moved to adjourn and Tom Marman seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 12:18 P.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 2, 2021 10:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order by County Commissioner Chairman Paul J. Schmitz. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Adam Smith were present along with Jane Cook from the Golden Valley News office.

The purpose of this special meeting is to accept the resignation from Angelina Marman and to discuss a plan moving forward to fill the vacancies. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept Angelina Marman's resignation from the positions of Director of Tax/Zoning/GIS and Risk Manager and Website Administrator and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

It was agreed that County Auditor Tamra Sperry will advertise for the vacancy and set a deadline of December 27th as the last day to accept applications for the position of the Director of Tax/Zoning/GIS. The remaining vacancies will be discussed at the upcoming December 16th regular meeting.

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

**REDISTRICTING BOARD
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 16, 2021 8:30 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order by County Commissioner Chairman Paul J. Schmitz.

The Redistricting Board members present were States Attorney Christina Wenko, County Commissioner Chairman Paul J. Schmitz, Tom Marman representing the City of Beach, Ron Davidson representing the organized townships in the County and Marnie Dietz, citizen at large representing the County and Tim Marman.

Ron Davidson moved to approve the November 16th meeting minutes and Marnie Dietz seconded. Motion carried.

All actions of the Board were pursuant to Chapter 11-07 of the NDCC.

County Auditor Sperry reviewed the plan to move part of Beach Civil (139-106) from Commissioner District 3 to Commissioner District 2. Doing this will move 26 citizens from District 3 to District 2 making the Districts fall within the 10% of the County average.

Tom Marman moved to open up the hearing for public input and Chairman Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Marnie Dietz moved to accept the proposed plan as presented and Ron Davidson seconded. Motion carried. The proposed recommendation will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners at their December 28, 2021 meeting.

Marnie Dietz moved to adjourn and Tom Marman seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 8:43 A.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 16, 2021 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 Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the November 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 Schmeling moved to reject the abatement on Parcel #04928000 as the structure in question is affixed and the County affirmed the City of Beach's recommendation to deny the abatement and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the abatement on parcel #05240000 as the building in question has been torn down for 2 previous years and no updated assessment was done and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to establish 1 precinct and polling place for the 2022 election located at the Beach City Hall and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to leave the current Chairman Paul J. Schmitz as the 2022 Chairman and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Schmitz moved to leave the current Vice Chairman Robert Schmeling as the 2022 Vice Chairman and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to purchase a hard drive for the security camera's DVR that is going bad and to pay for it out of the Capital Outlay Reserve Budget and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to reserve the Capital Outlay Reserve Budget by \$16,000 due to painting of the Courthouse, new phones at Social Services and boiler repairs that were not budgeted for in 2021 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to hire Ken Novotney to do the snow removal for the County buildings at a rate of \$75/hour for snow removal with skid steer & sweeper, \$65/hour for snow removal with skid steer & bucket and \$30/hour for snow removal with shoveling & air blower and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- States Attorney Christina Wenko discussed with the Board a possible compensation on an opioid settlement involving various counties in the State including Golden Valley County and Chairman Schmitz signed the paperwork to proceed with the process.
- Discussion was held on winter related closures for the County Offices. It was agreed to continue to follow the Beach Public School's closure related to winter weather.

Angelina Marman was unable to attend the scheduled exit interview. County Auditor Sperry handed out to the Board the exit interview questionnaire that Marman filled out.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board to discuss various road topics.

Commissioner Schmitz moved to adjourn and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 11:38 A.M.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 28, 2021 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.

Ollie Golberg with Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch met with the Board to renew his beer and liquor license for 2022. Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the renewal of the beer and liquor license for 2022 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

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

Current business brought forward to the Board:

- Commissioner Schmitz moved to approve the County Redistricting Boards recommendation of moving part of Beach Civil (139-106) from Commissioner District 3 to Commissioner District 2. Doing this will move 26 citizens from District 3 to District 2 making the Districts fall within the 10% of the County average and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to add the duties of Website Administrator and Risk Manager to the Deputy Auditor job description and with an increase of salary of \$1.35 per hour effective January 1, 2022 and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Chairman Schmitz signed the Southwestern District Health Unit Mill Levy sheet for 2022.
- Commissioner Smith moved to appoint Julie Goldsberry and Alaina Phalen to replace Sue Marman and Karen Goldsberry for a 3 year term to the Library Board and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the Capital Outlay Budget by \$500 for repairs to the furnace at the Library and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the Road Reserve Budget by \$70,000 for the transfer out to County HT to cash flow the budget and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the County HT revenue budget by \$70,000 to reflect the transfer in from Road Reserve and Commissioner Schmitz seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Schmeling moved to amend the County HT Budget by \$70,000 to reflect the extra inventory hauled out and by \$42,000 for additional road supplies purchased and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Smith moved to amend the Unorganized Townships budget by \$65,300 for the end of the year billing of road maintenance and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried.
 - 136-105: \$6,300
 - 136-106: \$5,100
 - 137-103: \$9,800
 - 138-103: \$4,700
 - 141-103: \$4,500
 - 142-103: \$9,800
 - 142-105: \$8,600
 - 143-103: \$7,000
 - 144-103: \$9,500

- County Auditor Sperry presented the Board with the applicants that applied for the Tax/Zoning/GIS Director position. It was agreed to set up interviews with select applicants at the next regular meeting that will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022.
- Discussion was held on an email that was received from Henry Gerving in regards to the Tax/Zoning/GIS Director position. No action was taken.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Schmitz declared the meeting adjourned at 9:48 A.M.