

Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission – August 17, 2021

At 3:30 p.m., Chairman Klose called the regular meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Dennis Ova, Joan Morris, Steven Cichos, and Mark Klose answered the roll call. Ramone Gumke was absent.

Adam Dunlop from Midwest AgEnergy discussed a potential project in Stutsman County. They operate the Dakota Spirit ethanol plant in Stutsman County. They produce carbon dioxide as a by-product of ethanol and have been looking for a way to permanently sequester it underground. They have been collecting data using well drilling logs and would like to collect seismic data as well to see if the area around the ethanol plant is suitable for storing carbon dioxide. This process uses vibrations to induce sound waves into the subsurface of the earth and geophysicists can use the data to determine what the structure looks like up to 10,000 feet below the surface. They will need to obtain a North Dakota Industrial Commission permit to collect this data. They would like to do most of the data collection along county roads and it will take approximately ten days. They will conduct surveys to ensure that the vibration points will not impact any infrastructure, water lines, cables, etc. They will be sending out letters to adjacent landowners prior to the testing.

Chad Warner, Tax Assessor, presented omitted property assessments. These are properties that previously qualified for the Farm Residence Exemption but did not submit the necessary paperwork to qualify this year, therefore they had to assign a value to the property. The parcel numbers for the properties are 14-3610000, 44-0133030, 54-361000. Morris made a motion to add the omitted assessments, seconded by Ova. Ova, Morris, Cichos, and Klose voted aye. Motion carried.

Jessica Alonge, Interim Auditor/COO, discussed assigning a delegate for the NDACo conference. Ova made a motion to appoint Jessica Alonge, seconded by Cichos. Motion carried.

Jessica Moser, Treasurer/Recorder, presented a list of uncashed warrants and treasurer checks. These are checks that are a year old and are uncashed. The people have received several letters from the Treasurer's office. Cichos made a motion to cancel the checks, seconded by Morris. Morris, Cichos, Klose, and Ova voted aye. Motion carried.

Bank Forward				
<u>Auditor's</u>				
<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1590	Aguilar, Jose	General	07/17/2019	\$9.35
1759	NDDMV	Weed Dept	08/07/2019	\$11.50
2018	Fischer, Kelvin	General	09/18/2019	\$23.76
2042	Koenig, Reed	General	09/18/2019	\$15.78
2137	Docktor, Shannon	General	10/02/2019	\$13.69
2219	Berg, Jordan	General	10/23/2019	\$14.71
3184	Brelie, Jason	General	02/19/2020	\$11.00

Moser also presented a list of uncashed checks from the Corrections account. Morris made a motion to cancel the checks, seconded by Ova. Cichos, Klose, Ova, and Morris voted aye. Motion carried.

Bank Forward Corrections

<u>Auditor's</u> <u>Check No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10755	Carow, Aaron	Corrections	05/30/2018	\$5.30
10883	Marchus, Jesse	Corrections	07/10/2018	\$6.45
10884	Benson, Brian	Corrections	07/10/2018	\$5.95
10931	Leppert, Jesse	Corrections	07/19/2018	\$5.79
11012	Franceschi, Joshua	Corrections	08/15/2018	\$5.62
11028	Entzminger, Amber	Corrections	08/20/2018	\$3.00
11433	Heart, Benedict	Corrections	12/20/2018	\$5.40
11521	Hart, Dustin	Corrections	01/18/2019	\$40.94
11522	Hart, Dustin	Corrections	01/18/2019	\$18.75
11523	McCarty, Kenneth	Corrections	01/18/2019	\$5.73
11574	McManus, David	Corrections	02/01/2019	\$4.00
11841	Pearson, Kavin	Corrections	04/17/2019	\$5.88
11910	BlueShield, Danielle	Corrections	05/03/2019	\$5.34
11987	Lowe, Jacquell	Corrections	05/28/2019	\$40.00
12175	Haugen, Joshua	Corrections	07/19/2019	\$5.28
12252	Mickelson, Thomas	Corrections	08/08/2019	\$6.00
12334	Barnick, Patrick	Corrections	09/11/2019	\$3.03
12458	Olafson, Andrew	Corrections	10/23/2019	\$5.67
12471	Lambert, Jazmin	Corrections	10/30/2019	\$10.69
12513	Flitton, Timothy	Corrections	11/14/2019	\$2.00
12545	Diaz, Jesse	Corrections	11/25/2019	\$2.37
12601	Lawson, Jacob	Corrections	12/17/2019	\$5.82
12605	Nelson, Michael	Corrections	12/18/2019	\$28.00

Total Bank Forward    \$227.01

Klose discussed a request from Erin Musland for a legal opinion regarding conflicts of interest of commissioners serving on outside boards. She would like the Commission to request a State's Attorney's opinion. No action was taken by the board.

Andrew Kirking, Emergency Manager/9-1-1 Coordinator, discussed FEMA procedures. He has looked through the bookkeeping and records and feels confident that he can take on the work. He has experience working with FEMA declarations. Cichos made a motion to terminate the agreement with the contractor and let Kirking handle all FEMA matters, seconded by Ova. Klose, Ova, Morris, and Cichos voted aye. Motion carried.

Jesse from Stutsman Rural Water District were present to discuss a potential pipeline installation under the James River. They have an existing pipeline that was previously permitted through the Bureau of Reclamation. They would like to dig a new pipeline beside the existing one that would be 8 inches rather than 5. They could use the county utility permit, but it would need to be altered since this is not on a county right-of-way. Morris made a motion to approve a permit to Stutsman Rural Water District providing that they get a proper permit in place that delineates the correct location, seconded by Cichos. Motion carried.

At 4:12 p.m., the County Commission meeting recessed for the County Park Board meeting.

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At 4:12 p.m., the Stutsman County Park Board meeting was called to order.

Cichos discussed the road closure at the Farmer’s Union camp near the playground. He has gotten several complaints regarding the road closure and not being able to access the playground. Cichos has concerns regarding the camp’s use of property, including Joos grove and the road closures. He was not aware of the boundaries of the park. Mark Watne from Farmer’s Union said that their main concern is limiting car traffic when campers are going to the playground. He is open to moving the barriers to a different location to make it more open to the public and being better about taking down the barrier when camps are not in session. He wants to cooperate and communicate before the camps start next year to come up with a solution.

Ramone Gumke joined the meeting at 4:16 p.m. via phone.

Clint Otto was present to address concerns about extermination of Richardson’s ground squirrels near the Jamestown Reservoir dam. He would like information on the reasoning behind the extermination. Klose discussed the high population numbers and damage done by the squirrels. Jessica Alonge presented communication from the Bureau of Reclamation stating that “ground squirrels that impact reclamation facilities or have potential to expose the public to active plague and to reduce impact to Reclamation facilities and any potential risk to human health and safety”. Otto stated that he is not against management of the population but is against total eradication. He also stated that if the poisoning is going to continue, signs should be placed so that dogs do not accidentally ingest poison. Karl Bergh said that they have stopped application and will not continue until signs are placed. He suggested a public notice be published. He said that the main concern of the Bureau of Reclamation is that the dam will be damaged by the squirrels burrowing. They are not able to mow the area anymore and the animals are burrowing under newly planted trees. Otto recommended a researcher that would have more information on management of the ground squirrels.

A project application for Habeck (Block 1, Lot 11, Cabin Area B) was presented. Morris made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Ova. Motion carried.

Cichos made a motion to approve the mid-month bills, seconded by Morris. Martin, Houge, Gumke, Ova, Morris, Cichos, and Klose voted aye. Motion carried.

County Park Fund					
		6955	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$4.29	
6906	ARNESON INC	\$261.00	6959	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC	\$9.00
6919	COLE PAPERS INC	\$359.97	6960	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$1,635.10
6924	DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	\$8.00	6965	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	\$62.72
6927	DOI- BOR- REGION: MISSOURI BASIN	\$2,981.47	6982	WEST END HIDE & FUR	\$39.00
6933	GAHNER SANITATION SERVICE	\$1,150.00			

At 4:50 p.m., Morris made a motion to adjourn the Park Board meeting, seconded by Martin. Motion carried.

At 4:51 p.m., the Commission meeting was called back to order.

Ova made a motion to approve the taxable meals and mid-month bills, seconded by Cichos. Gumke, Ova, Morris, Cichos, and Klose voted aye. Motion carried.

	<b>General Revenue Fund</b>		6911	BUFFALO CITY DIESEL	\$149.53
6903	A & B BUSINESS INC	\$532.71	6912	BUTLER MACHINERY CO	\$816.77
6904	APEX SOFTWARE	\$940.00	6918	CLEVELAND CITY WATER & SEWER	\$100.70
	ATTLESON, MARK	\$76.80	6923	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$172.89
6907	BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS	\$223.20	6925	DAN POLAND MACHINE INC	\$296.15
6914	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$130.05	6929	FARGO FREIGHTLINER	\$759.85
6915	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	\$326.75	6930	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX	\$2,707.72
6916	CENTURYLINK	\$1,488.13	6931	FLEETPRIDE	\$2,106.06
6919	COLE PAPERS INC	\$543.14	6936	HIGH PLAINS WATER	\$22.00
6920	CREATIVE ENERGY	\$263.64	6943	INTERSTATE ENGINEERING	\$96.00
6922	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	\$641.67		KRAMLICH MICHAEL	\$284.48
6926	DECORATING BY CHARLIE	\$244.00		KRAMLICH, MYRON	\$100.80
6932	FORUM COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY	\$1,808.60	6951	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	\$287.93
6934	GALLS, LLC	\$154.96	6953	MDU	\$125.01
6935	HANSON TIRE SERVICE	\$25.00	6954	MENARDS - JAMESTOWN	\$79.05
6937	HOLZWORTH, MERCEDEZ	\$92.00	6955	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$353.72
6939	HUBER ELECTRIC MOTOR & PUMP REPAIR	\$471.00	6958	ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	\$10,449.60
6940	IDEMIA IDENTITY & SECURITY USA LLC	\$5,267.00	6959	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC	\$64.00
6941	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	\$1,025.55	6961	NORTHWEST TIRE INC	\$43.51
6942	INSURE FORWARD	\$465.00	6962	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$136.77
6944	JAMESTOWN AREA AMBULANCE	\$458.00	6964	POWER PLAN	\$1,808.76
6946	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$115.00	6965	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	\$159.17
6948	JOBS HQ	\$314.50	6966	PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	\$1,449.53
	KIRKING, ANDREW	\$49.28	6971	STREETER COOP OIL	\$2,844.77
6949	KOROPATNICKI, DANIAL	\$78.00	6976	TOWE, JEREMY W	\$37.52
6950	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	\$205.50	6977	TRUE NORTH STEEL	\$12,966.46
6952	MARQUART, ANDREW S	\$1,764.00	6981	VINING OIL CO	\$23,165.18
6953	MDU	\$81.49	6983	XTREME AUTO INC	\$129.95
6956	ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	\$75.00		ZABKA, KEVIN	\$218.40
6960	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$67.00		<b>Weed Control Fund</b>	
6962	OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$12,529.22	6913	CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT	\$58.00
6963	PHARMCHEM INC	\$417.70	6921	D & B PORTABLES LLC	\$290.00
6967	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC. - AUD	\$1,000.00	6922	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMM	\$56.01
6968	RAMADA BISMARCK HOTEL	\$518.40	6938	HOME OF ECONOMY	\$54.99
6969	RECORD KEEPERS	\$16.00	6945	JAMESTOWN CITY AUDITOR	\$18.84
6970	SC CORRECTIONS	\$1,314.00	6955	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$363.01
	SCHAFFER, DIANNE	\$60.00		<b>Veterans Service Fund</b>	
6973	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	\$3,801.01	6916	CENTURYLINK	\$16.11
6974	TDS METROCOM	\$139.93		<b>County Agent Fund</b>	
6975	THOMSON REUTERS	\$439.65		BARNES, ROBIN	\$190.40
6978	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	\$641.00		BARNES, ROBIN	\$190.40
	<b>E 911 Phone System Fund</b>			BARNES, ROBIN	\$190.40
	ANDRES, DORINDA	\$31.36		BARNES, ROBIN	\$10.50
6923	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$507.57		BARNES, ROBIN	\$10.50
6928	ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS BISMARCK	\$200.00		BARNES, ROBIN	\$56.00
6941	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	\$1,785.00	6923	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$262.34
6946	JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$4,774.00	6936	HIGH PLAINS WATER	\$17.00
	<b>County Roads Fund</b>			<b>Human Service Zone Human Service Fund Total</b>	\$2,958.08
6902	3D SPECIALTIES INC	\$6,887.00		<b>Drug Program Fund Total</b>	\$451.16
6905	ARAMARK	\$201.07		<b>Job Incentive Fund</b>	
6908	BIG STATE INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY INC	\$139.00	6947	JAMESTOWN STUTSMAN DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$420.00
6909	BORDER STATES PAVING INC	\$64,722.52			

At 4:51 p.m., Morris made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ova. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Jessica Alonge  
Interim Auditor/COO

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Mark T. Klose  
Commission Chairman