

BOTTINEAU COUNTY
COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS
September 24, 2014
6:00 P.M.

The Commissioner Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. by Chairman Dan Marquardt. A meeting of the Board of Bottineau County Commissioners was held in the Commissioner Room at the Courthouse with the following members present: Chairman Dan Marquardt, Vice-Chairman Lance Kjelshus, Commissioners Todd Streich, LeRoy Rude, Jeff Beyer, States Attorney, Swain Benson, and County Auditor, Lisa Herbel.

Agenda – A motion was made to approve the Agenda by Beyer, seconded by Streich. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing – Bottineau County Commissioners held a public hearing to give citizens the opportunity to present oral or written comments regarding the 2015 proposed County budget. Chairman Marquardt opened the budget hearing and then turned the meeting over to Lisa Herbel, County Auditor, who provided an explanation as to why the budget is increasing for 2015. Chairman Marquardt then asked for comments and questions from the citizens in attendance. The Public Hearing was then declared adjourned.

Other Business -

Dwight Nahinurk, VSO, expressed concerns about the proposed VSO office space in the new Memorial Building.

Brad Robertson, Wold Engineering, met with the Board to discuss priority projects to present to the NDDOT at our meeting scheduled for October 13th 2014 at 7:40 am. at the NDACO Conference in Bismarck.

Brad advised there is a proposal for the possibility of surge funding that will be decided upon when the legislators are back in session. If this passes, Bottineau County may receive funding beyond what is being discussed from the results of the Upper Great Plains Study. All proposed funding is in preliminary stages and nothing is guaranteed at this time, but we need to be prepared with projects if funds are allocated to the County.

Priority Projects –

#1 – CMC-0530 – Forfar Road – 10 miles, remove and salvage existing asphalt, leave 1” RAP on road to be blended with existing aggregate base. Place 4” of hot bituminous pavement on 5” of blended based providing a finished 26’ paved road surface allowing for future preventative

maintenance overlay estimated at 4 million. If a chip seal was added this would be an additional \$400,000.00.

#2 – CM-0530 – Lansford North Road - 9.6 miles, mill 2” of existing asphalt and place 4” of hot bituminous pavement on remaining asphalt aggregate base providing a finished 26’ paved road surface allowing for a future preventative maintenance overlay estimated at \$3.5 million. If a chip seal was added this would be an additional \$400,000.00.

#3 – CMC-0551 – Willow City to Towner Road – 4 miles, mine and blend existing asphalt and aggregate base with shoulder widening and culvert replacement. Place 4” of hot bituminous pavement providing a finished 26’ paved road surface allowing for a future preventative maintenance overlay estimated at \$2.8 million. A chip seal would cost an additional \$160,000.00.

#4 - CMC-0526 – Lansford East – West Road, Hwy 83 to County line and Spur road, 8 miles, remove and salvage existing aggregate base and place 4” of hot bituminous pavement on a blended base providing a finished 26’ paved road surface allowing for a future preventative overlay estimated at \$4.8 million. If a chip seal was added this would be an additional \$320,000.00.

Chip Sealing

#5 - CMC-0547 – Bottineau North to Hwy 43, 8 miles, at an estimated \$320,000. If crack sealing was done this would be an additional \$48,000.

#6 – CMC-0506 – Souris to Westhope, 15 miles, at an estimated \$600,000. If crack sealing was done this would be an additional \$90,000.00.

Discussion was also held on using Permazine on new CMC route at an estimated \$20,000 a mile x 12 miles.

A motion was made to sign the final paper work for the NDDOT on the Project TEO-0005(033), the bike trail at Lake Metigoshe, by Streich, seconded by Beyer. Motion carried unanimously.

The Long Lake Loop Project was discussed and a motion was made to do a change order to include Jon Peterson’s trees in the project with a cost share of \$220.00 by Kjelskus, seconded by Beyer. Motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Rogers presented information about the Assiniboine River Basin Initiative Conference in Regina, Saskatchewan on November 12-14th, 2014. He thought it would be very beneficial if at least one Commissioner was able to attend.

Jeff Waagen met with the board to express concern about the rumors he has heard about what is being planned in Pickering Township and asked that he be contacted if the board is informed of any projects in his area.

Ritchie Gimbel, Road Superintendent expressed the need for updating our mowing equipment as they have been having lots of issues with breaking down. He also informed the Board that the 5th Street bridge has been completed. Ritchie advised that the road department has surplus property to sell and a motion was made to call for bids on surplus equipment by Rude, seconded by Streich. Motion carried unanimously. Ritchie also gave a report on the 2014 FEMA, which includes 14 townships, and approximately 120 sites, not including Category B sites.

The 2015 Budget was discussed and it was the consensus of the board to leave as previously approved at the preliminary hearing.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. by Kjelshus, seconded by Streich. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Marquardt, Chairman

Lisa Herbel, County Auditor