

**Commission Meeting  
February 3, 2015**

Chairman Simek called the meeting to order at 9:45 am. Present were Joel Hamar, Gary White, Thor Sand and Chairman Simek. Commissioner Hokana was unable to attend.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to the Agenda

Sheriff Estes

HUD Board appointments

Sheriff Estes joined the meeting at 10:00 am. Estes reported the office remodel is nearly completed. He said he would like to purchase space saving vertical files similar to those in the States Attorney's office and he purchased heavy metal shelves for other storage areas. Estes said the new car will be delivered next week. Estes introduced the newly hired deputy Logan Peterson.

Estes informed the commission an agreement with Ellendale City to share a police officer is not an option at this time.

White motioned to approve the January 10 minutes with changes. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

Tax Director Flaherty joined the meeting at 10:15 and presented the sales ratios for 2014. Flaherty plans to recommend the assessors not to make changes to commercial values. He will recommend increases in residential properties in some locations.

Tanya Weiler, a private Human Resource advisor, was contacted at 10:30 via conference call. Weiler discussed the county salary scale and benefits with the commission. Weiler said the benefits were very competitive with the rest of the like size counties. She felt some areas of the salary scale were quite low in comparison to other counties. Discussion followed about implementing gradual adjustments over time to the salary scale. Sick leave and vacation time was also discussed. Weiler will submit a proposal before the next meeting in the event the commission is interested in utilizing her services.

White motioned to pay the bills. Sand seconded. Motion carried

KLJ engineer Loegering joined the meeting at 11:00. He submitted a change order for the signal lights that were used instead of flaggers on the Kasprick slough. The cost of the additional three weeks of using the signal lights is \$4,600. Loegering said the county would have paid more than the \$4,600 if they would have hired flaggers for that time period. Hamar motioned to have the chairman sign the change orders. Sand seconded. Motion carried. .

Loegering explained the bridge over the Maple River will not be able to be replaced with large culverts when the widening is completed on County 3.

Loegering said the County 8 sealcoat is on the schedule to be on bid this November for 2016 completion.

Hagen distributed a map to show where the state wants to place rumble strips, signs and other traffic markings in the county. The county will be responsible for 10% of the cost if the project is completed.

Hagen submitted a cost increase for equipment rental costs. The list of costs is on file at the County Highway Department.

Hamar informed Hagen the employee meeting scheduled for February 10 is for all employees.

The commissioners accepted the recommendation of the appointment of board members to the Housing Board.

Sand motioned to reappoint the officers with expiring terms on the Park Board, Weed Board and Water Board. White seconded. Motion carried.

White motioned to adjourn at 1:15 pm. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

**Commissioner Meeting  
February 17, 2015**

Chairman Simek called the meeting to order at 9:07 am. Present were Joel Hamar, John Hokana, Gary White, Thor Sand, and Chairman Simek

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to the agenda

Job review with Ag agents

Meeting Webinar

Legislative update on surge funding

ND Highway Patrol letter

Art Wall

Tax Director Flaherty and assessor training

Hokana reported gave a legislative update on the surge funding that is being discussed at the Capital. He felt the press explained well. The need to get the legislation passed is urgent so that projects can be worked on this year.

Sand motioned to approve the February 3 minutes with changes. Hamar seconded. Motion carried.

Sand motioned to approve the February 11 special meeting minutes. Hamar seconded. Motion carried.

Hamar motioned to approve the bills with additions. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

White motioned to approve the financials. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

After reviewing the ND Highway Patrol letter offering to assist with monitoring truck weights while spring load restrictions are in place, Hamar made a motion to submit a letter requesting they assistance the Truck Regulatory officer during spring weight restrictions and throughout the year. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

A letter from Kone Elevator stating the price of the contract to maintain the elevator will increase by 3.85%.

Deputy Auditor Sheppard gave the Commissioners a copy of correspondence and a proposal from Tanya Wieler to provide services to create and implement a new compensation program based on the results of a market study. Hamar motioned to approve the

project so that she can get started. Sand seconded. Discussion followed. Deputy Auditor Sheppard will verify that the new compensation plan will include benefits such as vacation and sick time. Motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed liquor license applications that were received from Ellendale Country Club, Kulm Country Club and Hays Lodge. Hokana motioned to approve the applications. Sand seconded. Motion carried.

Tax Director Flaherty joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m. to discuss the assessor training. Sand motioned to pay the training expenses as in the past. White seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Simek asked Flaherty about a letter received from the City of Ellendale concerning a possible TIF district. Discussion followed. Flaherty plans on attending the meeting, as well as Sand. Flaherty also stated he is to meet with Oakes March 3 to discuss valuation changes for this year.

Nate Sand, representing Starion Insurance and ND Insurance Reserve Fund (NDRIF), joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m. He brought the proposal to separate the County Fair from the county general liability policy and give them their own policy. Sand motioned to go with the \$2 million policy for the Dickey County Fair and the county will continue to pay the premium. Hamar seconded. Motion carried.

Hamar reported on the county agent and 4-H agent reviews that he attended. Art Wall joined the meeting at 10:50 a.m. He showed pictures of the road when built along with flooding that occurs after the box culvert was removed. Hagen asked if he had talked to his township or not. Wall stated several times and they say it is a county issue. Jeff Hagen, Highway Supervisor will meet with Elm Township and give them some ideas how to fix this issue.

Josh Loegering from KLJ, Charlie Russell, DES/911 Coordinator, and Jeff Hagen, Highway Supervisor, joined the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Loegering stated that Bryon Fuchs from the ND Department of Transportation had called and requested that the bid opening for Dickey County 8 scheduled for November be moved up to May. The commissioners will meet again to discuss funding and let Loegering know after their meeting. Loegering stated he would inform Fuchs the commissioners are discussing the project.

Hagen stated that the gravel crushing bid opening is set for March 3, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. He has had several contractors contact him for the information.

Hamar asked Russell about the security work on the windows for the top floor of the court room. The work has not been started. Hamar asked that they hold off on completing any room related to the Court Room, as the County should be able to get grant money to finish those doors. Russell will work on getting the bid broken out for just the Court Room doors and any doors related to the Court Room on a different quote so that Clerk of Court Andi Schimke can submit for grant money.

Hamar stated he attended a webinar about meetings and how things should be done. Several procedural changes were discussed.

White motioned to adjourn the meeting. Hokana seconded. Motion carried.

**Special Commissioner Meeting  
February 20, 2015**

Chairman Dean Simek called the special meeting to order at 9:00 am. Roll call was taken with Joel Hamar, Gary White, John Hokana, Thor Sand, and Chairman Simek present.

Commissioners reviewed the changes that have been made in the Surge Funding Legislation. After reviewing the financial information provided, Sand made a motion to move the bid date for the seal coat project for Dickey County #8 From November 2015 to May 2015 and have by Josh Loegering of Kadrmas Lee & Jackson complete the paperwork to request the use of federal funds Hokana seconded. Chairman Simek called for a roll call vote. Hamar yes, Hokana yes, White yes, Sand yes, and Simek yes. Motion carried.

Sand motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 am. White seconded. Motion carried.

Salaries	\$108,659.58
Overpayment Refund	\$668.68
Overpayment Refund	\$11.64
Overpayment Refund	\$22.53
Barnes County Auditor	\$25,000.00
Dakota Plains Credit Union	\$650.63
Dickey County Highway Dept.	\$170.24
Jamestown Community Corrections	\$1,092.00
Job Service North Dakota	\$970.23
Myhre Law Office	\$864.66
Gary Neuharth	\$250.00
Andi Schimke	\$74.75
Stutsman County Auditor	\$66.50
Troy's Repair	\$75.00
Overpayment Refund	\$963.22
Kadrmas Lee & Jackson Inc.	\$20,000.00
Dakota Plains Credit Union	\$1,946.32
Economy Propane	\$623.10
IWI Inc.	\$228.34
Southeast Water Users	\$46.33
Valley Office Works	\$120.69

Jodi Bruns	\$67.91
ND County VSO Association	\$50.00
Avid Hawk LLC	\$360.00
Computer Express	\$1,776.98
Information Technology Dept. (ITD)	\$6.65
Breana Kiser	\$516.03
Montana Dakota Utilities	\$86.84
ND Weed Control Assoc.	\$275.00
Hope Jury	\$5.05
ND Water Resource Districts Assn.	\$475.00
Ohnstad Twichell PC	\$2,053.37
ND Public Finance Authority	\$300,000.00
Dakota Plains Credit Union	\$197.37
Ellendale City Auditor	\$432.60
Cities, Townships, Schools	\$409,314.03
Human Services	\$10,005.51
Cities, Townships, Schools	\$452,167.95
ND PERS	\$37,956.16
ND PERS	\$2,949.66
ND PERS	\$405.63
ND PERS	\$140.96
Kyle Courtney	\$239.68
Cities, Townships, Schools	\$132,225.14
Community Volunteer EMS of LaMoure	\$800.02
Kulm Ambulance Corps. Inc.	\$2,998.36
Edgeley Ambulance Service	\$1,599.16
Ellendale City Auditor	\$9,844.20
Oakes City Auditor	\$9,244.95
ND State Treasurer	\$4,611.97
Garrison Diversion	\$6,185.39
James River Soil Conservation	\$6,144.29
Ellendale Fire District	\$5,084.05
Oakes Fire District	\$11,698.70
Dickey County Treasurer	\$316.25
Dakota Plains Credit Union	\$115,000.00
ND PERS	\$2,259.42
ND PERS	\$187.50
ND Child Support Enforcement	\$342.00
US Dept. of Education	\$227.21
Rodenburg Law Firm	\$254.73
Quality Quick Print	\$156.07
Farm & Home Publishers	\$877.50
Human Services	\$15,971.13
Taxpayer Refund	\$571.17
Taxpayer Refund	\$220.87
Starion Financial Mandan	\$872.03
Overpayment Refund	\$18.41
California Contractors Supplies	\$119.60
Code 4 Services LLC	\$71.09
Dakota Electronics	\$1,599.28
Dakota Plains Credit Union	\$37.26
Dickey County Highway Dept.	\$878.56
Dickey County Leader	\$519.95
Joel Hamar	\$37.96
Hwy #1 Fuel & Service Inc.	\$186.75
Mahler's Village Variety	\$28.77
Andrew S Marquart	\$394.40
Mertz Construction & Supply- Ellendale	\$269.98
ND Association of Counties	\$400.00
Oakes Community Hospital	\$27.00
Oakes Times	\$48.40
Pierson Ford-Lincoln Inc.	\$47.45

Precision Mechanical Services	\$1,132.83
Sandness Law Office	\$132.00
Andi Schimke	\$74.75
Dean Simek	\$217.35
Uniforms Unlimited Inc.	\$379.46
Gary White	35.65
Bluetarp Financial Inc.	\$274.48
Farmland Co-op	\$91.73
Farmers Tractor Parts	\$40.00
Farnams Genuine Parts	\$1,344.28
Fullerton City Auditor	\$20.00
John Deere Financial	\$56,742.58
John Deere Financial	\$445.16
Muckey Construction	\$70.20
Napa Parts Supply Inc.	\$112.89
Northwest Tire & Auto Service	\$506.10
Ottertail Power Company – Fergus Falls	\$47.10
Praska’s Hardware Hank	\$37.53
Specialty Trailer Sales	\$298.20
True Value – Ellendale	\$147.54
True Value – Oakes	\$19.86
Waste Management	\$38.66
Zep Sales & Service	\$183.88
Richland County Corrections	\$550.00
Stutsman Correctional Center	\$545.00
Gary Dathe	\$142.60
Computer Express	\$1,600.00
Information Technology Dept. (ITD)	\$593.00
Intergraph Corporation SGI Division	\$1,056.00
Steven Dahlstrom	\$20.70
Allan Glynn	\$2.30
Charlene Kinzler	\$8.05
Donald Middlestead	\$19.55
Ranch House	\$25.00
Gary Schnell	\$20.70
TNT Training	\$2,500.00
Brenda Tyre	\$24.15
Breana Kiser	\$116.73
Hope Jury	\$23.00
Moore Engineering Inc.	\$290.00
Ohnstad Twichell PC	\$983.06
Don K Zimbleman	\$18.40
CenturyLink	\$292.85
Dickey Rural Networks	\$243.00
ND Association of Counties	\$879.64
Starion Financial – Ellendale	\$5,413.30
A&B Business Inc.	\$371.51
AmeriPride Services Inc.	\$487.04
AT&T Mobility	\$521.36
Dakota Valley Electric Coop	\$264.00
Dickey Rural Networks	\$1,501.35
Farmers Union Oil Co.	\$2,278.68
Montana Dakota Utilities	\$4,029.54
ND State Radio	\$7,805.60
ND State Surplus Property	\$470.00
Office of State Auditor	\$18,850.00
True Value – Ellendale	\$609.75
ND Insurance Department	\$50.00
Blumhardt Chevie Pontiac	\$34,750.00
AFLAC	\$2,615.09
WageWorks	\$65.00
ND PERS	\$17,276.44

ND PERS	\$4,227.45
ND PERS	\$1,448.13
ND PERS	\$354.36
ND PERS	\$2,259.42
ND PERS	\$187.50
Delta Dental Plan of MN	\$979.05
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	\$375.48
ND Child Support Enforcement	\$342.00
US Dept. of Education	\$227.21
Rodenburg Law Firm	\$254.73
North Dakota United	\$73.82
Dickey County Treasurer	\$85,000.00
Dickey County Treasurer	\$5,000.00
Dickey County Treasurer	\$20,000.00
Dickey County Treasurer	\$11,802.05
Dickey County Treasurer	\$12,297.67
Dickey County Treasurer	\$2,395.73
Wright Township Treasurer	\$22,992.70
Wright Township Treasurer	\$8,891.04
Wright Township Treasurer	\$13,997.54
Wright Township Treasurer	\$9,152.99
Kadmas Lee & Jackson Inc.	\$7,714.45

Respectfully Submitted  
Dean Simek, Chairman  
Beverly Kuska, Auditor