

REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ROLETTE COUNTY DATE: 01/07/2025

The board convened at 9:00am, January 7th, 2025 members (present) Abrahamson, Zaste, Poitra, Schlenvogt, LaRocque

Members Not Present:

Also, present: Sheriff Nate Gustafson, Brian Grosinger, Mark Hienz, Wendy Belgarde

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Zaste, seconded by Schlenvogt to approve the agenda as is.

On roll call vote, all members voted, "AYE". Motion carried unanimously.

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- Vote for New Chair and Vice-Chair

Motion by Zaste to appoint Schlenvogt as New Chair. There were no other nominations, Seconded by Poitra

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Poitra to appoint Zaste as New Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations, Seconded by Schlenvogt.

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Liquor License for Border Bar & Grill

Motion by LaRocque to approve Liquor License, Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Raffle Permit-North American Game Warden Museum

Motion by Abrahamson to approve Raffle, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Approval of December 30th Special Meeting Minutes

Motion by Zaste to approve minutes, Seconded by Abrahamson

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Current Bills

Motion by Abrahamson to approve current bills, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Public Health-Facilities Maintenance Billing

Discussion: How are we going to bill Public Health for the hours of snow removal provided by the county? Jaime Metcalfe was not able to attend meeting on what he does and how long. The topic was tabled to next meeting.

- Water Board-Mark Hienz

Discussion: Mr. LaRocque started the discussion on how the water board has not been having meetings and taken minutes and how bills are not being paid timely. That there is a lack in what the current 3-person board is doing and would like to see it back as a 5-person board again. Mr. Abrahamson asked can a commissioner be on the board? It was discussed that it would be a conflict of interest if a commissioner was to be on the board. With discussion from Hienz he would still like to be on the board and is ok with what the Commission does to reorganize.

Motion by Poitra

Motion to advertise for 2 weeks for any interest from the community to sit on the Water Board. There will be 5 spots open. Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Time Clocks for Court House Employees

Discussion: Time clock is in and the Court House Employees have been clocking in and out. Brian had concern on secretary Crystal having to come in and clock in first before running errands off site. He stated it is an inconvenience for his employee and would like to stick to the way it was with filling out time and he approves it and has control on approving her vacation and sick leave, Brain feels he has no control of his employee. Commissioner Abrahamson and Schlenvogt stated they are not aware that approving Vacation/Sick leave was taken out of his control all that is happening is a time clock for a person to clock in and out of nothing else. Auditor Wuori stated this is the first month of the time clock and that all time sheets would be printed out and sent to all the supervisors to look over and sign with employee and he is the one that will approve vacation.

Motion by Zaste

Motion to Have Elected officials to have right to adjust time

Discussion: There was never a motion that stated elected officials did not have the right to adjust time. All that is happening is all employees minus Elected officials need to clock in and out from a time clock.

Zaste rescinded his motion, Seconded by LaRocque

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Tax Director- Abatements

Motion by LaRocque to approve abatements, Seconded by Abrahamson

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

- Road Report

Discussion: The ND County Roads Conference is being held on January 29-31st in Fargo. Mark Allery will receive a Road Scholar Award.

Discussion: St. John shop needs electrical work completed. It was asked that he gets more than one estimate.

- Sheriff Report

Discussion: There was no report

Motion by Abrahamson

Motion to end meeting, Seconded by Zaste

On Roll call vote, all members voted "AYE". Motion carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned.

unanimously approved by the board.

Meeting adjourned.

Henry LaRocque
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners
Rolette County, North Dakota

ATTEST

Kimberly Wuori
Rolette County Auditor

