

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 2, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with Commissioners Arthaud, Kasian and Thompson in attendance.

Newly elected Commissioner Allan T. Thompson took the oath of office.

Kasian moved to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2008 meeting. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Steve Dorval, Dave Jurgens, Don Heiser, Jim Haag, Craig Kubas

The board approved the following permits:

- Application for Pipeline Permits
 - Bear Paw Energy, LLC Section 9 & 16 142-102
 - Bear Paw Energy, LLC SESE Section 33 & SWSW Section 34 in 142-99

The 2009 Beer and Liquor License applications for Club 85, Tjaden Terrace, and Bully Pulpit Golf Course were presented. Thompson moved to approve them and Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The board received notification that an individual that qualified for SW water hook-up assistance has passed away and the land has been sold. Tran Doan of the ND Division of Community Services is recommending that Billings County exclude this transaction from the CDBG project. Thompson moved to exclude the Darrel Ueckert estate from the CDBG project. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Election of the board Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2009 took place. Thompson moved to nominate Commissioner Kasian to the Chairman position. Arthaud seconded. All voted aye. Kasian moved to nominate Commissioner Arthaud to the Vice Chairman position. Thompson seconded. All voted aye. The board then reviewed their respective affiliate board representative positions for the year 2009.

The following board expirations were brought before the board:

- Kay Tescher's 3 year term on the School District Reorganization Committee expires Dec. 31, 2008. Thompson moved to appoint her to another three year term. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.
- Arthaud moved to appoint Commissioner Thompson to the Social Service Board for a 3 year term that expires 11-30-2011. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.
- Randy Mosser's 3 year term on the Water Resource Board expires 12-31-2008, and Randy has informed the board that he does not wish to continue in that position. Commissioner Thompson agreed to sit on that board. Kasian moved to appoint Allan Thompson to a three year term on the Water Resource Board. Arthaud seconded. All voted aye.

The board reviewed a request from the Belfield/Medora Area Salvation Army for a funding donation. Thompson moved to approve \$750.00. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The SW Night at the Legislature meeting is being planned and the county board received a request to assist with the cost. Thompson moved to approve \$500 toward those costs. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The board set the mid December special meeting date for December 19, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. to approve any remaining 2008 bills to be paid with December payroll and to review any budget adjustments and budgeted transfers necessary.

The board reviewed the quarterly investment and pledge report. Kasian moved to approve the report as presented. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

Dave Jurgens and Don Heiser requested the board remove the burn ban. Kasian moved to approve removing the burn ban. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

Steve Dorval met with the board to inform them that he has started his own engineering company and gave a brief overview of his company policy and hopes to work with the county in the future.

First District Road Foreman Jim Haag met with the board to discuss gravel pits and the leases.

KLJ engineer Craig Kubas met with the board with the monthly engineer's report. An agreement for engineering services was presented. Kasian moved to approve the agreement. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

The following claims were approved for payment:

3D Specialties, Inc.	Road Sign Hardware	94073	\$	1,373.96	3
Acme Electric Tool Crib of the North	S.O. – Safety Supplies	94074	\$	122.42	
Adams, Donna	Recorder – Travel	94075	\$	153.00	
Alternative Sanitation	Haul Waste	94076	\$	141.00	1, 2, 3
Armbrust Revocable Trust, Emilia	Gravel Lease	94077	\$	125.00	2
Armbrust, Joseph A.	Election – Travel	94078	\$	55.00	
Billings County Auditor	Registration Fees & Supplies	94079	\$	164.55	
Billings County Rural Fire District	Taxes	94080	\$	43.17	
Billings County Historical Society	Taxes	94081	\$	2.01	
Billings County Pioneer	Publishing	94082	\$	448.35	
Billings County School District	Shop Rent	94083	\$	300.00	Weed
Billings County School District	Taxes	94084	\$	117,588.25	
Billings County Sheriff	Travel Expense	94085	\$	100.12	
Belfield Sportsmen Club	S.O. – 2009 Membership Dues	94086	\$	100.00	
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94087	\$	1,754.56	2, 3, G, W
Berger Electric, Inc.	Courthouse Museum – Remodeling	94088	\$	2,134.00	
Best Energy	Propane	94089	\$	3,685.49	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	Dental & Vision Premiums	94090	\$	1,758.60	1, 2, 3, G, W
Boss Office Products, Inc.	Supt. of Schools – Supplies	94091	\$	30.13	
Brooks & Associates, C.E.	Land Use Plan	94092	\$	300.10	
Burnie's	Auditor – Recording Sheets	94093	\$	1,624.73	
Butler Machinery Company, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94094	\$	70.62	1, 3
Cass County Treasurer	Document Preservation Fund	94095	\$	249.00	
Cerkoney, Cathy	Zoning & Planning Meeting Mileage	94096	\$	70.00	
Coca-Cola Bottling Company	Soda Pop	94097	\$	76.97	
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	D.E.M. – Travel	94098	\$	55.00	
Cowboy Cafe	R.E.A.P. Meeting	94099	\$	84.00	
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	94100	\$	52.59	1
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	John Deere Tractor Rental	94101	\$	2,925.00	1
Dakota Insurance	Property Insurance	94102	\$	189.00	2, 3
Dakota Tool & Machine	Parts & Repairs	94103	\$	444.00	3
Dan's Interstate Conoco	S.O. – Gas	94104	\$	629.04	
Dave's Radiators & Repairs	Parts & Repairs	94105	\$	2,030.00	3
Dickinson Chamber of Commerce	Budget	94106	\$	500.00	
Dickinson Parks & Recreation	Wellness Program	94107	\$	480.00	
Dickinson Public Library	Library Service	94108	\$	4,719.88	
DTE, Inc.	Fire District – Equipment	94109	\$	4,240.00	
Egly, Gwen	Council on Aging – Mileage	94110	\$	495.00	
Election Systems & Software	Election – Ballots	94111	\$	2,392.37	
ElectionSource	Election – Supplies	94112	\$	60.09	
Emergency Medical Products, Inc.	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	94113	\$	386.99	
Ewoniuk, Shelly	Canvass Board – Mileage	94114	\$	32.00	
Farmers Union Oil Company	Parts & Supplies	94115	\$	62.33	3, G
Fastenal Company	Shop Supplies	94116	\$	481.36	3, G
Fisher Industries, Inc.	Salt Sand	94117	\$	779.22	3
Fugere, Kevin	Weed Board – Mileage	94118	\$	81.00	Weed
General Equipment & Supplies	Parts & Supplies	94119	\$	28.94	3
George's Tire Shop	Tires	94120	\$	1,485.00	1, 3
Gerbig, Gordon	Weed Board – Mileage	94121	\$	252.25	Weed
Golden Valley County	Social Service	94122	\$	5,415.23	
Griffin-Abrahamson, Mary	Weed Board – Mileage	94123	\$	194.40	Weed
Haag, Martin	Weed Board – Mileage	94124	\$	381.50	Weed
Hasselstrom, Hazel	Sentinel Butte Tower Rental	94125	\$	300.00	
Hecker, Dwight A.	Weed Board – Mileage	94126	\$	66.75	Weed
Heiser Electric, Don	Electrical Service	94127	\$	1,961.04	1, 2
Hlebechuk Construction	Blade & Repair Roads	94128	\$	2,400.00	1, 2
Industrial Electric Service, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94129	\$	697.75	2
Institute of Local Government	Auditor – Registration Fees	94130	\$	60.00	
J P Steel & Supply, Inc.	Iron Supplies	94131	\$	13,353.01	2, 3
Jurgens, Dave	S.O. – Travel	94132	\$	159.50	
Jurgens, Ken	Courthouse Museum – Remodeling	94133	\$	6,250.00	
K & F Construction	Building Construction	94134	\$	1,597.60	1
Kadrmass, Lee, & Jackson, Inc.	Engineering Services	94135	\$	1,633.26	1, 2, G

Kasian, Connie	Zoning & Planning Meeting Mileage	94136	\$	65.00	
Kasian, Mike	Mileage	94137	\$	155.00	2
Kessel, Anita	Zoning & Planning Meeting Mileage	94138	\$	75.00	
Kessel, Anthony	Weed Board – Mileage	94139	\$	100.50	Weed
Kessel, Joseph L.	Mileage	94140	\$	164.50	1
Krebs Machine & Repair	Machine Work	94141	\$	70.00	2
Krush, Paul	Elder Care – Mileage	94142	\$	753.50	
Lyle Signs, Inc.	Road Signs	94143	\$	1,040.20	2, 3
Mathison Company	Map Plotter	94144	\$	6,194.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	Courthouse – Telephone Service	94145	\$	1,017.13	
Midstate Communications	Supt. of Schools – Telephone	94146	\$	38.83	
Missouri Basin Well Service, Inc.	Haul Water & Mow Road Ditches	94147	\$	2,982.28	1, 2, 3
Mobile Binders	Recorder – Recording Binders	94148	\$	335.72	
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	Gas, Oil, & Diesel	94149	\$	9,619.51	2, 3
N.A.C.R.C.	Recorder – 2009 Membership Dues	94150	\$	55.00	
N.D. Association of Counties	Taxes	94151	\$	188.42	
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	Meeting Room Maintenance	94152	\$	200.00	
N.D. Dept. of Transportation	Vehicle Registration Fees	94153	\$	30.00	3, W
N.D. 911 Association	2009 Membership Dues	94154	\$	20.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Health Insurance Premium	94155	\$	21,466.02	1, 2, 3, G, W
N.D. Sheriffs & Deputies Association	2009 Membership Dues	94156	\$	20.00	
N.D. State Treasurer	Clerk of Court Fees	94157	\$	2,434.11	
N.D.C.E.L.	Supt. of Schools – 2009 Dues	94158	\$	435.00	
N.D.S.U. Pesticide Program	Pesticide Training	94159	\$	130.00	1
N.D.W.C.A.	Convention Registration Fees	94160	\$	160.00	Weed
Newby's Ace Hardware	Parts & Supplies	94161	\$	31.98	1
Newman Signs	Road Signs	94162	\$	665.56	1
Northern Plains Plumbing	S.O. – Courthouse Remodeling	94163	\$	1,380.00	
O'Brien Welding	Machine Work	94164	\$	108.00	3
Odermann, Leona	Information – Travel	94165	\$	134.00	
Off Road Software, Inc.	Offroad GIS Services	94166	\$	1,400.00	
OK Tire Stores	Tires	94167	\$	963.32	3
Outback Lumber Supply	Wood Supplies	94168	\$	79.00	1
Prairie Supply, Inc.	Shop Supplies	94169	\$	156.60	1
Praxair	Shop Supplies	94170	\$	51.57	3
Public Safety Center, Inc.	S.O. – Crime Prevention	94171	\$	210.69	
Pump Systems, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	94172	\$	1,382.06	1, W
RDO Equipment Company	J.D. Loader	94173	\$	138,233.19	2
Redmond, Thomas	Weed Board – Mileage	94174	\$	103.25	Weed
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Electricity	94175	\$	1,743.00	1, 2, 3, G
Roughrider Speed Center, Inc.	S.O. – Supplies	94176	\$	69.99	
Rummel Auto Wrecking	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	94177	\$	14.25	
Rummel, Patrick	D.E.M. – Travel	94178	\$	50.00	
Runnings Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94179	\$	618.27	1, 2, 3
Belfield/Medora Salvation Army	Budget	94180	\$	750.00	
Southwest Business Machines	Office Equipment & Supplies	94181	\$	727.93	G, W
Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	94182	\$	462.17	3
Schmidt, Jeff & Shelly	Gravel Lease	94183	\$	125.00	1
South Heart Auto Service	Parts & Repairs	94184	\$	1,246.26	Weed
Simnioniw, Les	Cellular Service	94185	\$	148.99	Weed
Smart Computers & Consulting	Laptop Repair	94186	\$	120.00	1
Steffan Saw & Bike	Parts & Repairs	94187	\$	192.67	2
Stein's, Inc.	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	94188	\$	338.73	
Superior Fenders, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94189	\$	1,294.00	3
Southwest Crime Conference	S.O. – Registration Fees	94190	\$	80.00	
Southwestern District Health Unit	Grant – Influenza Shots	94191	\$	2,000.00	
Southwestern District Health Unit	Taxes	94192	\$	13.38	
Southwest Water Authority	Water Usage	94193	\$	39.45	3
Southwest Water Authority	Taxes	94194	\$	4.11	
Swanston Equipment Corporation	PT15 Roller/Packer	94195	\$	8,100.00	3
Tczap, John	Zoning & Planning & Snow Removal	94196	\$	215.00	
Team Laboratory Chemical Corp.	Base One Totes	94197	\$	30,060.00	3
Tom's Service Center	S.O. – Service Work; Tire Repair	94198	\$	206.25	3, G
Viking Glass	S.O. – Courthouse Remodeling	94199	\$	2,027.00	
Wal-Mart	Supplies	94200	\$	135.34	
West Dakota Oil, Inc.	Shop Supplies	94201	\$	33.00	1
Western Fire & Safety, Inc.	Fire District – Equipment	94202	\$	17,126.00	2, 3, G
Wolf, Rod & Mony	Courtyard – Remodeling	94203	\$	1,605.00	
Alltel	Cellular Service	94241	\$	384.35	1, 3, G
American Family Life Assurance	Premium	94242	\$	625.29	
Arthaud, Lynn	Tax Director – Travel	94243	\$	375.00	
Basin Hydraulic Company	Parts & Supplies	94244	\$	43.10	2
Billings County Auditor	Tax Deposits	94245	\$	1,940.12	
Billings County Pioneer	Publishing	94246	\$	287.92	
Belfield Automotive Supply	Parts & Supplies	94247	\$	2,082.97	1, 2, 3, G, W
Best Energy	Propane	94248	\$	3,842.04	1, 2, 3, G
Bosch Lumber Company	Shop Supplies	94249	\$	33.07	2
Braunberger Construction, Eugene	Courthouse – Tile Work	94250	\$	2,576.50	
Butler Machinery Company	Parts & Supplies	94251	\$	38.19	3
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	D.E.M., S.O., & Tax Director – Travel	94252	\$	495.00	
Community Ambulance Service	Volunteer – E.M.T. Training	94253	\$	2,000.00	
Consolidated	Internet Service	94254	\$	240.45	2, 3, W
Conseco Health Insurance Co.	Premium	94255	\$	24.90	

Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94256	\$ 24.99	3
Dakota Filter Supply	Parts & Supplies	94257	\$ 283.15	1, 3
Dakota Oil Field Service, Inc.	Water Tank Set-up, etc.	94258	\$ 7,312.00	2, 3, G
Dakota Rubber Stamp	Risk Mgmt. – Supplies	94259	\$ 173.88	
Dan’s Interstate Conoco	S.O. – Gas	94260	\$ 186.04	
Dell Commercial Credit	D.E.M. – Computer	94261	\$ 1,598.00	
DF Lighting Company	Lighting Supplies	94262	\$ 378.80	
Dickinson Ready Mix Company	Cattle Guards, Straw Waddles	94263	\$ 8,361.80	2, 3
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Administrative Fees	94264	\$ 85.00	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Premium	94265	\$ 1,918.35	
DTE, Inc.	Fire District Expense	94266	\$ 1,195.00	
Electronic Communications	S.O. – Radio Expense	94267	\$ 135.50	
Emergency Medical Products	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	94268	\$ 116.85	
Emil’s Repair	Parts & Repairs	94269	\$ 372.30	3
Farmers Union Oil Co.	Diesel Gas	94270	\$ 2,470.23	1
Fastenal Company	Shop Supplies	94271	\$ 106.68	3
General Steel & Supply Co.	Fire District Expense	94272	\$ 259.82	
George’s Tire	Tires & Repair	94273	\$ 1,470.00	1, 3
Golden Valley County	Social Service Utilities	94274	\$ 1,112.02	
Goldenwest Electric Cooperative	Tower Electricity	94275	\$ 445.65	
Heiser Electric, Don	Water Tank Set-Up	94276	\$ 959.36	2
Hlebechuck Construction	Grid Roller Rental	94277	\$ 120.00	3
Information Technology Dept.	S.O. – T-1 Line	94278	\$ 415.40	
J P Steel & Supply	Cattle Guards & Fire District	94279	\$ 5,681.08	2, G
Kadrmass, Lee, & Jackson	Engineering	94280	\$ 24,590.90	1
Kessel Feeds	Shop Supplies	94281	\$ 21.05	1
Kevin’s Auto & Truck Repair	Parts & Repairs	94282	\$ 2,500.67	2, 3
Liberty Doors, LLC	Overhead Doors	94283	\$ 3,992.05	2
Lyle Signs, Inc.	Road Signs	94284	\$ 1,036.85	3
Medora, City of...	Courthouse – Utilities	94285	\$ 245.08	
Midstate Telephone Company	911 Changes	94286	\$ 2.00	
Midwest Auto Glass Center	Parts & Supplies	94287	\$ 113.00	3
Midwest Testing Laboratory	Pit Analysis	94288	\$ 174.00	2
Mitchell, Darlene	R.E.A.P. Meeting – Mileage	94289	\$ 354.50	
Missouri Valley Petroleum	Gas & Diesel	94290	\$ 6,958.62	2, 3, G
National Sheriffs Association	2009 Membership Dues	94291	\$ 50.00	
N.D. Association of Counties	2009 Workers Comp. Premium	94292	\$ 25,626.07	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Deferred Comp. Premium	94293	\$ 3,789.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Retirement	94294	\$ 9,220.20	1, 2, 3, G, W
N.D. Teachers Fund	Retirement	94295	\$ 191.83	
Nelson International	Parts & Supplies	94296	\$ 377.29	1, 2
Newby’s Ace Hardware	Shop Supplies & Fire District	94297	\$ 2,186.40	2, G
Obrigewitch, Jen	Soils Committee – Travel	94298	\$ 297.00	
Off Road Software, Inc.	Offroad GIS Services	94299	\$ 1,400.00	
OK Tire Stores	Tires	94300	\$ 3,906.00	3
One Source Lighting, Inc.	Courthouse – Lights	94301	\$ 18,425.75	
Prudential	Deferred Comp. Premium	94302	\$ 50.00	
Pump Systems, Inc.	Fire District Expense	94303	\$ 7,711.21	
Qwest	Telephone Service	94304	\$ 297.47	1, 2, 3, G, W
Ray’s Auto Electric	Parts & Repairs	94305	\$ 282.31	3
RDO Equipment Company	Bucket & Coupler	94306	\$ 13,085.00	3
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Telephone Service	94307	\$ 47.63	1, 2, 3, G
Respond Systems	Shop Supplies	94308	\$ 157.23	3
Richland County Auditor	Year End Forms	94309	\$ 34.15	
Rummel, Patrick	D.E.M. – Travel	94310	\$ 152.50	
Runnings	Parts & Supplies	94311	\$ 1,673.33	1, 2, G
Southwest Business Machines	Office Supplies	94312	\$ 577.15	2, G
Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94313	\$ 291.19	3
South Heart Auto Service	Parts & Repairs	94314	\$ 336.82	W
Sherwin Williams	Courtyard – Paint	94315	\$ 90.70	
Smith, Cory	Soils Committee – Travel	94316	\$ 200.00	
Snyder Repair & Service	Tires	94317	\$ 566.44	2
Sports Awards	Supt. of Schools – Trophies	94318	\$ 94.50	
Sure Sign	Shop Sign	94319	\$ 90.00	1
Thompson, Joyce	Killdeer Hilltop of Comfort – Mileage	94320	\$ 240.00	
Tom’s Service Center	S.O. – Service Work	94321	\$ 326.10	
Tractor & Equipment Co.	Parts & Supplies	94322	\$ 5,545.80	1
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	94323	\$ 169.99	2, G
Visa	Courthouse – Supplies	94324	\$ 599.31	G, W
Wal-Mart	Courthouse – Supplies	94325	\$ 932.93	
Wanner, Dana	Tax Director – Travel	94326	\$ 177.50	
Wanner Western Wear, Inc.	S. O. – Uniforms	94327	\$ 233.39	
Wells Fargo Bank	Sweep Account Interest	94328	\$ 826.39	
West Dakota Oil, Inc.	Shop Supplies	94329	\$ 274.25	1
West Plains, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	94330	\$ 400.12	3
Western Fire & Safety, Inc.	Parts & Fire District Expense	94331	\$ 5,334.86	1, G
Westlie Truck Center	Parts & Repairs	94332	\$ 6,501.28	3
Westlie Truck Center	03’ Freightliner	94333	\$ 46,397.50	3
Wolf, Rod & Mony	Courtyard – Remodeling	94334	\$ 2,190.00	

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of November: Zoning Inspector \$75.00 Pipeline Permits; Clerk of Court \$168.40 County Fees 2,430.00 State Fees; County Recorder \$3,289.51 November Collections, Sheriff \$131.00 Civil Fees.

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in November: Missouri Basin Well Service \$204.25 maps; TRMF \$432.78 Weed Spraying; William Kessel \$50.12 Weed Chemical; Anthony Obrigewitch \$120.52 Weed Spraying; Patrick Marx \$37.87 Weed Chemical; Roger Dieterle \$3.20 copies; Pat Obrigewitch \$14.91 Weed Chemical; Cody Reis \$614.20 Scoria and hauling; Maynard Burian \$58.80 Scoria; James Haag \$143.80 Scoria & loader work; Larry Zabolotny \$257.25 Scoria; Gailand Kadrmas \$58.80 Scoria.

Revenues for the month of November: Highway Distribution \$8,673.10; Interest \$14,938.12; PILT \$38,401; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$151,323.12; Permits \$5,910.00; Royalties \$62,662.73

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for November: General Fund \$80,972.49; Road and Bridge Fund \$72,996.98; Weed Fund \$4,362.67

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Attest: _____

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer

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SPECIAL MEETING – DECEMBER 19, 2008**

Chairman James Arthaud called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M. Commissioners Allan T. Thompson and Mike Kasian were also present.

Thompson moved to approve the following 2008 budget adjustments:

Economic Development - \$11,000

SW District Health - \$5,000

Historical Society – \$800

SW Water Authority - \$1,800

Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Thompson moved to approve the following 2008 budgeted transfers:

Payment in Lieu of Taxes to Rd & Brdge \$102,019

BLM Mineral Payments to Rd & Brdge \$1,350,000

Highway Distribution Payments to Rd & Brdge \$84,000

Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The board reviewed and approved the last of the 2008 bills that have arrived since the regular meeting.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer

