

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

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

Kasian moved to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2010 regular meeting. Thompson seconded

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Dean Rodne; Medora Stevenson; Bruce Chappell; Doug Pickle; Jay Brovold; Dave Jurgens; Pat Rummel; Medora Stevenson; Craig Kubas

The board reviewed the contract between the county and CW engineering for Fryburg firehall addition. Chris Wentz, with CW engineering was reached on speaker phone to join the review and answer questions. Kasian moved to approve the contract. Thompson seconded.

Dean Rodne met with the board concerning the lagoon in Fryburg. The school owns the lagoon, but the access lines lie close to the streets. Since Fryburg is unincorporated, all streets and right-of-ways are dedicated to Billings County. He informed the board that the school district is still trying to sell the school building in Fryburg and they are getting a new appraisal. The school board is inquiring whether the county wants to assume ownership and maintenance of the lagoon. At this point, Dean indicated that the school board didn't think anyone outside of the school is currently hooked up to that sewer system. Kasian moved to turn down the offer. Thompson seconded.

Medora Stevenson with Bowman County Extension Office requested that Billings County consider helping with the funding for year around weather radar from the Bowman Airport. It is currently used only four months out of the year. Thompson moved to budget \$2,500 annually for this purpose. Kasian seconded.

Discussion arose concerning the amount the county charges for gravel and scoria. Currently the price is set at \$3.50 per yard and \$75.00 per hour trucking. Recent crushing costs alone have been \$3.95 and \$4.19 per yard, which doesn't include royalty payment. Kasian moved to increase the price per yard to \$4.50. Thompson seconded.

Auditor Jurgens requested authorization to initiate the following 2010 budgeted transfers:

From Operating and Maintenance Reserve to County Weed Board - \$90,000

From Unorganized Township Road to Road and Bridge - \$240,000

From BLM Minerals to Road and Bridge - \$900,000

From Highway Distribution to Road and Bridge - \$135,000

From PILT to Road and Bridge - \$72,000

Thompson moved to approve and authorize the fund transfers. Kasian seconded. All vote aye.

The Zoning Board approved the following requests at their September 2, 2010 meeting:

- Billings County Rural Fire Department – Adding a 100' tower to SW corner of existing firehall in Fryburg
- Ben Procive – Placing a single wide mobile home and garage on lots 7-10, block 3 of the original Fryburg town site.
- Bridger Pipeline LLC – Rezone 15 acres from agricultural to industrial and construct a crude oil storage tank in NE1/4 16-141-98
- John Wurver – Variance to have an additional RV on site during repair of the mobile home.

Kasian moved to uphold the zoning board recommendations and approve the requests. Thompson seconded.

The board received and approved the following permits:

Construction in County Right-of-Way Permit:

- Midstate Telephone – Section 8, Township 139, Range 100
- Roughrider Electric Cooperative, Inc. – Section 6, Township 139, Range 102
- Ben Procive – Section 9, Township 139, Range 100 (Fryburg)
- Continental Resources, Inc – Section 21, Township 144, Range 99

Pipeline Permits:

- Bridger Pipeline LLC – Starting from NW1/4 of Section 15, T141, R98 and continue in Sections 10, 11, 12 & 1 T141, R98 until it is into Dunn County.

The bid opening for the riverbank stabilization project in section 8-144-102 was held at the NRCS office in Bismarck and the lowest bidder was Schwartz Construction at \$355,035.60. NRCS funds all but the 25% that is the county or landowner responsibility. Kasian moved to accept the Schwartz Construction bid. Thompson seconded.

Craig Kubas with Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson met with the board for the monthly engineer’s report.

The board recessed from 12 noon to 1:00 PM.

Jim Wosepka CPA presented the board with the independent audit report for 2009. Kasian moved to approve the 2009 audit report. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

The board reviewed the budget requests that came in since the last meeting and approved the preliminary budget for publication. The final budget hearing will take place at the October meeting.

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of August: Zoning Inspector \$450.00 applications and permits; County Recorder \$6,116.75 July collections; Clerk of Court \$273.75 county fees and \$5,605.00 state fees; Sheriff \$97.50 civil fees and \$103.62 grant reimbursement

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in August: Steve Hartman \$470.40 scoria; Blue Cross/ Blue Shield \$963.91 ambulance services; ND Dept. of Health \$3,352.22 ambulance staffing grant; ND Fire and Tornado \$2,711.29 radio tower loss; TRMF \$25.00 cash bar permit; City of Medora \$250.00 election costs; Workforce Safety \$1,132.54 ambulance services; Jim Hanson \$16.13 map; RES Specialty Pyrotechnics \$4.00 fireworks permit; Allan Thompson \$347.70 scoria & trucking; Cody Reis \$122.25 scoria & trucking

Revenues for the month of August: Highway Tax Distribution \$8,761.02; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$123,296.99; Permits \$4,590.00; Royalties \$50,783.16; Interest \$16,864.08;

The following claims were approved for payment:

Alternative Sanitation	Garbage Removal	98130	\$	141.00	1, 2, 3
American Insurance Center	Courthouse – Boiler Insurance	98131	\$	994.00	
American Welding & Gas	Welding Supplies	98132	\$	18.59	1
Ameripride Linen Service	Mat Rental	98133	\$	152.05	2, 3
Atlas Windshield Repair	Windshield Repairs	98134	\$	240.00	2
Badlands Diesel Service, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98135	\$	151.50	3
Balco Uniform Co., Inc.	S. O. – Uniforms	98136	\$	32.00	
Billings County Rural Fire District	Taxes	98137	\$	140.98	
Billings County Pioneer	Publishing	98138	\$	832.65	
Billings County School District	Weed – Shop Rent	98139	\$	300.00	
Billings County School District	Taxes	98140	\$	66,889.77	
Billings County Sheriff	D.E.M. – Training Expenses	98141	\$	66.67	
Beall Corporation	Parts & Supplies	98142	\$	73.98	3
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98143	\$	1,553.43	1, 2, 3, W
Best Energy	Propane	98144	\$	2,592.00	1, 2, G
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	Dental & Vision Premiums	98145	\$	2,196.50	1, 2, 3, W, G
Bogner Appliance	D.E.M. – Equipment	98146	\$	330.00	
Bosch Lumber Co.	Shop Supplies	98147	\$	34.76	2
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Ambulance – Medical Equipment	98148	\$	2,186.50	
Cass County Treasurer	Document Preservation Fund	98149	\$	305.00	
Cerkoney, Cathy	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	98150	\$	70.00	
Chad’s Automotive Clinic	Ambulance – Parts & Repairs	98151	\$	232.96	
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	Auditor – Travel Expense	98152	\$	61.00	
Computer Software Assoc.	Recorder – Computers	98153	\$	5,420.00	
Consolidated Telcom	Internet Services	98154	\$	242.45	2, 3, W
Creative Energy	Diesel Fuel & Shop Supplies	98155	\$	3,878.40	1, 2
Dakota Ag Seeds, Inc.	Weed – Chemical	98156	\$	6,170.97	
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98157	\$	141.75	1
Dakota Rubber Stamp	Auditor – Notary Stamp	98158	\$	63.60	
Dakota Water Treatment	Water System	98159	\$	25.00	1
Dan’s Interstate Conoco	S. O. – Gas	98160	\$	506.06	
Denny’s Electric	Generator Hook Up	98161	\$	1,132.21	1
Dickinson Public Library	Library Service	98162	\$	4,849.83	
Doublewood Inn – Fargo	S. O. – Travel Expense	98163	\$	567.00	
DTE, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98164	\$	751.82	2

Electronic Communications	Radio Equipment & Service	98165	\$	2,813.00	2, G
Environmental Dust Control	Stabilock Dust Control	98166	\$	9,912.00	2
Expressway Suites – Bismarck	Ambulance – Travel Expense	98167	\$	63.00	
Farmers Union Oil Co.	Propane	98168	\$	391.13	
Fisher Industries	Concrete Rock	98169	\$	447.25	2
Fisher Industries	Gravel Crushing	98170	\$	294,471.19	3
Four Corners Cafe	D.E.M. – Training Expense	98171	\$	150.00	
Four Season Trophies	Name Plaques	98172	\$	92.37	
Frontier Precision	Parts & Supplies	98173	\$	139.75	3
Fujitsu Computer Products	Recorder – Scanner Contract	98174	\$	1,195.00	
General Steel & Supply Co.	Generator Hook Up	98175	\$	147.91	3
George’s Tire North	Tire Repair	98176	\$	18.00	1
George’s Tire, Ltd.	Tires & Repair	98177	\$	1,016.00	1, 2
Golden Valley County	Social Service	98178	\$	4,912.10	
Hartman, Connie M.	Auditor – PersLink Training	98179	\$	176.00	
Johnston Fargo Culvert, Inc.	Culverts	98180	\$	17,915.70	2
J P Steel & Supply, Inc.	Iron Supplies	98181	\$	7,985.25	2, 3
Jurgens, Dave	S. O. – Travel Expense	98182	\$	45.00	
Jurgens, Joan	Auditor – Travel Expense	98183	\$	62.00	
Just-In Glass	Windshield Installation	98184	\$	494.74	1
Kasian, Connie	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	98185	\$	65.00	
Kasian, Michael E.	Commissioner – Mileage	98186	\$	225.50	2
Kastrow, Jason	S. O. – Travel Expense	98187	\$	45.00	
Kessel, Anita	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	98188	\$	75.00	
Kessel Feeds	Shop Supplies	98189	\$	21.05	2
Krush, Paul	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	98190	\$	77.00	
LaDuke, Joe	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	98191	\$	49.00	
Mid-American Research Chemical	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98192	\$	75.90	
Martin Construction	Gas Plant Road	98193	\$	1,221,065.31	1
Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.	Century Code Updates	98194	\$	399.03	
Medora Convenience	D.E.M. – Fire Food	98195	\$	84.30	
Metro-Billing Services	Ambulance – Assist	98196	\$	30.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	911 Changes	98197	\$	6.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	Courthouse – Telephone Service	98198	\$	972.25	
Midstate Communications	Supt. of Schools – Telephone	98199	\$	39.05	
Midwest Doors, Inc.	Overhead Repairs	98200	\$	425.00	2
Mobile Binders	Recorder – Docket Binders	98201	\$	353.04	
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	Gas, Oil, & Diesel	98202	\$	21,619.93	2, 3, G
N.A.C.R.C.	Recorder – Membership Dues	98203	\$	55.00	
N.D. Association of Counties	Taxes	98204	\$	108.98	
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	Meeting Room Maintenance	98205	\$	200.00	
N.D. Emergency Mgmt. Assoc.	Conference Fees	98206	\$	100.00	
N.D. State Treasurer	Clerk of Court Fees	98207	\$	5,620.39	
Nelson International	Parts & Repairs	98208	\$	4,877.86	1, 2
Newby’s Ace Hardware	Ambulance & Maintenance Supplies	98209	\$	294.31	
Newman Signs	Road Signs	98210	\$	1,242.20	1
Northwest Tire, Inc.	Alignments	98211	\$	448.53	3
O’Brien Welding	Machine Work	98212	\$	359.64	3
O’Day Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98213	\$	99.51	1
Obrigewitch, Cliff	2010/11 Gravel Lease	98214	\$	500.00	3
Off Road Software, Inc.	G.I.S. Software	98215	\$	1,400.00	
One Stop Rental	Equipment Rental Fees	98216	\$	194.00	2
Onsite Improvements, Inc.	S. Ash Coulee Road Project	98217	\$	31,930.74	2
Outback Lumber Co.	Parts & Supplies	98218	\$	88.32	2
Prairie West Development	Registration Fees	98219	\$	200.00	
Praxair	Shop Supplies	98220	\$	99.10	3
Probuild	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98221	\$	20.12	
Ray’s Auto Electric, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98222	\$	298.27	3
RDO Equipment Co.	Parts & Supplies	98223	\$	735.04	2
Red Trail Campground	Ambulance – Paramedic Housing	98224	\$	174.00	
Respond Systems	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98225	\$	82.47	
Rockmount Research & Alloys	Shop Supplies	98226	\$	896.73	2
Roosevelt Custer Regional Council	Zoning – Updates	98227	\$	1,843.50	
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Electricity	98228	\$	2,358.00	1, 2, 3, G
Rummel, Patrick	D.E.M. & S. O. – Travel Expense	98229	\$	172.50	
Runnings Farm & Fleet, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98230	\$	674.37	2, 3, W
Safelite Fulfillment, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	98231	\$	274.95	3
Southwest Business Machines	Office Supplies	98232	\$	563.16	
Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	98233	\$	1,009.07	2, 3
Share Corporation	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98234	\$	169.28	
Snyder Repair & Service	Weed – Parts & Repairs	98235	\$	1,036.50	
St. Joseph’s Hospital	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	98236	\$	7.32	
Steffan Saw & Bike	Shop Supplies	98237	\$	26.93	1
Stein’s, Inc.	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	98238	\$	161.80	
Superior Coating & Designs	Courthouse – Vortex Basement	98239	\$	3,725.00	
Superpumper, Inc.	S. O. – Gas	98240	\$	181.30	
Southwestern District Health Unit	Taxes	98241	\$	54.02	
Southwest Multi-Co. Correction Ctr.	Prisoner Care	98242	\$	2,160.00	
Southwest Water Authority	Taxes	98243	\$	15.39	
Southwest Water Authority	Water Usage	98244	\$	1,130.66	1, 2, 3
Swanston Equipment Corp.	Parts & Supplies	98245	\$	110.50	2
Swanston Equipment Corp.	Durapatcher – Rental	98246	\$	4,900.00	2
Swanston Equipment Corp.	2010 Duraco Durapatcher	98247	\$	46,500.00	2

Thompson, Allan T.	Commissioner – Mileage	98248	\$	160.00	1
Tom’s Heating Service	Generator Hook Up	98249	\$	995.00	1
Tom’s Service Center	Gas, Service, & Tires	98250	\$	1,454.20	3, G, W
Ultramax	S. O. – Supplies	98251	\$	639.00	
Unlimited Office Products, Inc.	Auditor – Checks & Envelopes	98252	\$	553.41	
Vanguard Appraisals, Inc.	Tax Director – Software	98253	\$	5,600.00	
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	98254	\$	189.11	2, G
Wal-Mart	Courthouse – Supplies	98255	\$	101.12	
Western Fire & Safety	Safety Supplies	98256	\$	388.20	3, W
Westlie Truck Center	Parts & Supplies	98257	\$	298.17	3
Wosepka, James J., C.P.A.	2009 Fiscal Year Audit	98258	\$	7,614.50	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Health Premium	98259	\$	29,375.81	1, 2, 3, G, W
Alltel	Cellular Service	98313	\$	409.88	1, 3, G
American Family Life Assurance	Premium	98314	\$	666.63	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Administrative Fees	98315	\$	89.25	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Premium	98316	\$	2,329.67	
Information Technology Dept.	S.O. – T-1 Line	98317	\$	437.80	
Medora, City of...	Courthouse – Utilities	98318	\$	285.91	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Deferred Comp. Premium	98319	\$	5,599.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S	Retirement	98320	\$	11,477.69	1, 2, 3,
W, G					
Prudential	Deferred Comp. Premium	98321	\$	50.00	
Qwest	Telephone Service	98322	\$	319.46	1, 2, 3, W, G
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Telephone Service	98323	\$	52.76	1, 2, 3, G
Visa	Grassland Maps	98324	\$	340.00	1, G

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for August: General \$64,604.59; Road and Bridge \$71,239.01; Weed \$27,885.58

With there being no further business, Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting 2:40 P.M. Kasian seconded.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Attest: _____

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer