

March 4, 2025

Regular Public Meeting

Present: Commissioners Gordon Oelkers, Presiding Officer; Robert Toavs, Member; Doug Marottek, Member; Samantha Goodman, Administrative Assistant; John Bach, Interstate Engineering; Wendy Becker, Extension Office; Bill VanderWheele, NPI Newspaper; Jason Morrell, Phoenix Operating; Bill Juve; Nicole Miller; Tori Matejovsky

Zoom: Lindsey McNabb, DES Coordinator; Angela Miller, Fair Manager; Keith Nordlund; M Sansaver

Commissioner Oelkers called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Public Comment: Tori Matejovsky and Nicole Miller talked about the abandoned properties around Wolf Point, specifically the burnt out building near the Sherman Inn, and asked about potential solutions. They asked about the process of the MOU between the County and the City as well as liens or other things they are not aware of. Discussion was had about if the County or City could contact property owners and about GNDC receiving a grant to identify commercial buildings to take care of them.

Wendy Becker stated that she was going to start interviews next week.

Jason Morrell from Phoenix Operating talked about the agreement to fix 1009 after fracking during the road closure that was issued.

John Bach talked about Bill 536 and explained about bridge grants and putting a bid out in April. He also talked about a reimbursement program for next year.

Conflict of Interest: None

Minutes: Minutes for February 6, 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to accept the minutes for February 6, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Minutes for the Month of January

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to accept the minutes for the month of January, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Administrative Issues:

Action on Fair Board Members

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve Jackie Olson to the Fair Board, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Action on Hiring Recruiting Firm for Health Department

A motion to table this was made by Commissioner Toavs. Commissioner Marottek seconded to table. Motion tabled for later.

Action on sending Gordon Oelkers to 2025 Western Interstate Region Conference

A motion was made by Commissioner Marottek to send Commissioner Oelkers to the conference, seconded by Commissioner Toavs. Passed.

Shelley Arndt Status Change from Full Time to Part Time

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve the status change for Shelley Arndt from full time to part time for retirement, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Action on Resolution 2025-16 Hazard Mitigation Plan

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve Resolution 2025-16, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Claims: Claims for 2-6-25 for \$173,284.92

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to accept claims for 2-6-25, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Claims for 2-20-25 for \$136,718.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to accept claims for 2-20-25, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Pay Raises:

Samantha Goodman Annual Raise

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve the annual raise for Samantha Goodman, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

New Hire: None

Additional Administrative Issues as Needed

Action on Rigging Training for Road Department

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve the rigging training for the Road Department, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Del Eymard Annual Raise

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve annual raise of Del Eymard, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Josh Staggenborg Annual Raise

A motion was made by Commissioner Toavs to approve Josh Staggenborg annual raise, seconded by Commissioner Marottek. Passed.

Commissioner Oelkers moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Toavs seconded. Meeting adjourned 11:40 a.m.