

**CITY OF FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2024**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kevin Bopp. Present Was council members: Mark Wyckoff, Kirk Flihs, Luke Anderson, John Stenvold, City Auditor Alicia Thompson, City Superintendent Donavon Hajek, EDC Coordinator Sara Dux, City Attorney Lyle Bopp. Guest : Caryn McLaen.

All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by John Stenvold, and seconded by Kirk Flihs to approve the agenda for regular Council Meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Wyckoff, and seconded by Kirk Flihs to approve minutes from the November 12th, 2024 regular city council meeting. Motion carried.

Sheriff Paepfer mentioned it was another average month. ARN and Sheriff's office have taught internet safety to the 5-8th graders, and DARE has started in the 5th and 7th grade. 6th grade is doing a "ask, listen, learn" with Sargent County District Health and Deputy Jon Wold. Also, Deputy Wold has become EMT certified which is very nice to have in the schools.

Caryn McLaen was present to speak about the furnace and a/c unit in the Senior Center building that the city owns, the furnace and a/c unit needs to be updated. A Motion was made by John Stenvold and seconded by Kirk Flihs to pay for up to \$10,000 w/City providing 50% or more depending on valley Senior Services and them not paying more than 50% of the quote.

City Attorney Lyle Bopp was not present.

City Superintendent Donavon Hajek report- Banners and Christmas Lights have been hung on main street. They have been busy washing equipment and getting ready for the snow removal, they have been sanding around the city. Donavon talked about the water line at the GC and meeting with Interstate Engineering to decide when to redo the piping.

City Coordinator Sara Dux was not present.

A motion was made by Mark Wyckoff and seconded by Kirk Flihs to donate 1000.00 to the Community Club for the Hockey Rink warming house from Forman Improvement Fund. Mark Wyckoff yea, Luke Anderson yea, Kirk Flihs yea, John Stenvold nay.

A motion was made by Luke Anderson and seconded by Kirk Flihs for a 500.00 donation to Winter on Ice from Forman Improvement Fund. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mark Wyckoff and seconded by Luke Anderson for raises to City Employees Alicia Thompson and Donavon Hajek 4%, Jordan Peterson 2%. And also a Christmas bonus for Alicia Thompson and Donavon Hajek for 750.00, Jordan Peterson 500.00, and Sara Dux 300.00. Motion carried.

Bills: CORE AND MAIN \$81.19, FORMAN GOLF ASSOCIATION 992.48, FORMAN PARK BOARD 2977.45, MARC 2692.57, ND SEWAGE PUMP LIFT STATION 715.00, QUILL.COM 434.96, MFOA 40.00, FORMAN DRUG 6.43, ONE CALL CONCEPTS 12.00, COMPUTER EXPRESS 23.32, SOUTHSIDE AUTO 137.27, RUTLAND OIL COMPANY 1492.50, CITY OF FARGO 14.00, SARGENT COUNTY TELLER 95.24, FORMAN LUMBER AND FIREWORKS 58.93, WASTE MANAGEMENT 3820.36, AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS 5538.33, JM CONSTRUCTION 130.00, BOBCAT OF GWINNER 1014.27, DICKEY RURAL 445.65, DAKOTA PLAINS 95.00, THEIN WELL 445.00, RIVERSIDE BUDILING CENTER 1319.49, JP MORGAN CHASE 1589.47, OTTER TAIL POWER 3300.43, BOPP LAW OFFICE 500.00, SARGENT COUNTY AUDITOR 807.26.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM. Next regular Council meeting is scheduled for January 14th @ 6:00 PM

Kevin Bopp, Mayor
Alicia Thompson, City Auditor
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**MILNOR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 2
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11th, 2024**

The School Board of Milnor Public School, District No. 2, met for their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 11th, at 6:00 pm in the ITV room. After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Fyre called the meeting to order. Board members present- C Fyre, L Mund, A Bogart, S Berndt, and K Wehlander. Also, present Superintendent C Larson, Business Manager W Hogness, HS Principal R Weber and Elementary Principal T Wittich on speakerphone. The Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented, Wehlander/Bogart. The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda (consisting of the November 13th Regular Board meeting minutes, financial reports and present bills totaling \$76,587.30) Mund/Wehlander.

Bills:
A & A ON SITE \$135.00
A W DIESEL SERVICE INC 417.71
ADMINPARTNERS 100.00
ARROWHEAD PEST CONTROL 346.50
SHANNON BERNDT 263.06
CENTRAL REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION 3,582.00
CHS DAKOTA PLAINS AG 1,811.55
CROSSROADS ELECTRIC, INC. 603.71
DACOTAH PAPER CO. 599.04
DAKOTA BOYS & GIRLS RANCH 9,089.80
DICKEY RURAL TELEPHONE 655.98
THERESA ERICKSON 150.42
EVERSPRING INN 198.00
HAWKINS, INC. 789.88
SAMANTHA HINRICHS 127.66
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT. 104.00
LOFFLER 239.67
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC 1,702.71

METROPOLITAN MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC 20,261.91
MOBRIDGE/NORDAK PUBLISHING 636.12
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. 2,927.96
NADINE JULSON, LLC 8,000.00
ND CENTER FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION 687.00
NDCEL 250.00
OTTER TAIL POWER CO. 514.63
POPP BINDING & LAMINATING, INC. 179.81
POPPLERS MUSIC STORE 168.93
SANFORD BISMARCK 129.00
SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER & TECH. CENTER 20,494.00
STORBAKKEN SANITATION, INC. 542.00
TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS 55.25
TUMBLEWEED PRESS INC. 699.00
VALUATIONS NORTHWEST, INC. 125.00

Superintendent's Report: (1) I participated in the delegate assembly for NDCEL. Most of the discussion was on how we should engage in the school choice bills. (2) I had an ND PHIT board meeting. The trust continues to grow and make positive strides financially. (3) I had a football classification meeting in late November. We sorted out the AAA and AA. We moved back to A. (4) Congratulations to our 7 new members inducted into Honor Society. (5) Community game night went well; and we had a great turnout.

High School Principal Weber's Report: (1) Congratulations to B Yagow on being named our student of the month. (2) I am going to have Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Jacobson give a staff presentation on their AI training during our PD date on January 2nd. (3) Community night was great. (4) Thrill Hills is closed on December 20th, so we are going to Kingpinz for the high school year end party. (5) A couple of cyber bullying things popped up this month. I will do my best to get to the bottom of it.

Elementary Principal Wittich's Report: (1) Congratulations to our elementary Student of the Month, 3rd grader D Hogness. (2) Community night was a great success; shout out to that committee and all the teachers for their work putting it together. (3) Music concert is on December 12th at 6:30. (4) Grades K-5 will be going to a movie in Lisbon on the afternoon of December 19th. (5) South Valley Preschool Screening will be in the MACC on December 13th from 9-11.

New Business: Bogart moved to change PTC in February from the 11th to the 20th. Berndt seconded, carried. Bogart moved to authorize Katie Bixby to sign activity fund checks, Mund seconded, carried. Mund moved to approve the Milnor, Oakes and Forman Co-op Softball by-laws, Berndt seconded, carried. Berndt moved to send the softball co-op bylaws to NDHSAA for approval, Bogart seconded, carried. Wehlander moved to approve the Milnor School 2025-2026 calendar as presented, Berndt seconded, carried.

Wehlander moved to approve the change of January board meeting to the 15th at 6:00, January 22nd board retreat to 6:00 and February board meeting to the 19th at 6:00 pm, Bogart seconded, carried.

Committee Reports:
Facilities, Transportation, Technology: Working on an electric bus grant. Overhead doors to be put in next week for the building across the road from the school.

Negotiations, Extracurricular, Budget: None.

Sports Co-op: Will meet in January.
MACC: 3-3 basketball tournament planning.

Sundale School: Program is 12/19/24.
SMMSL: Meeting tonight.

MCF: None.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm, Wehlander/Berndt.

Business Manager, W Hogness
Milnor Public School District #2
Board President, C Fyre
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**NORTH SCHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT No. #
FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024
5 p.m. in NS BOARD ROOM
REGULAR MEETING**

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL.

President Kris Beck called the **Regular Monthly Meeting** of the North Sargent Public School District #3 to order at 5:00 p.m. in the NS Board Room. Board members Kris Beck, Chris Mathias, Derrick Hansen, Sean Anderson were present. Board member Zachary Johnson was absent. Also present was Supt. Moser, Principal Sorlie, Principal Hill and Business Mgr. Donna Anderson.

Motion to adopt the agenda. Hansen/Anderson. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024, regular meeting. Anderson/Hansen. All in favor, motion carried.

Delegations: None.
Business Manager's/Superintendent's Reports:

Business Manager Anderson presented the monthly financial reports on funds 01, 02, 03, 05 and 06.

Supt. Moser reported on general fund expenditure history, transportation, calendar surveys, additional outdoor lighting, the camera project and BARR data.

Motion to approve the Business Manager and Superintendent's reports. Mathias/Anderson. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to pay bill list totaling \$344,626.10. Mathias/Hansen. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills:
A W DIESEL SERVICE INC. \$393.98
ADMINPARTNERS 100.00
AFLAC 1,920.08
AMAZON.COM 724.76
ANDERSON, DONNA 119.88
BARNES & NOBLE 26.37
BISMARCK HOTEL 656.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ND 17,319.40
BOBCAT OF GWINNER 106.64
CASEY'S BUSINESS ADVANTAGE 585.58
CC'S SUDS AND SPIRITS 1,650.00
CENTRAL CASS PUBLIC SCHOOL 100.00
CITY OF GWINNER 500.02
COLE PAPERS INC 60.05
COLLEGE BOARD 109.44
COMPUTER EXPRESS 125.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO. 1,160.28
DRN READITECH 1,262.76
ECKROTH MUSIC 27.32
EMERGENT 3 INC 2,000.00
ENDERSON CONSTRUCTION INC 45.00
FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC 131.17
FULL CIRCLE AG 554.04
GROTEBERG ELECTRIC INC 1,406.84
HANSEN LUMBER & HARDWARE 59.92
JAYMAR BUSINESS FORMS INC 111.34
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP 2,180.00
JW PEPPER & SON, INC. 155.19
LIDGERWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL 142.01
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC 1,819.47
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES 897.26
MOSER, ANGELA 8.50
NADINE JULSON LLC 15,500.00
ND CENTER FOR DISTANCE ED 229.00
ND SPELLING BEE 85.00
NELSON, TASHA 112.18
NOGOWSKI, TARA 622.32
NS ACTIVITY FUND 132.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY 5,036.01
SARGENT COUNTY TELLER 537.52
SCHMITT MUSIC 15.00
SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC 155.70
SRCTC 67,491.28
STOCK GROWERS BANK 60.12
TEAL'S MARKET 157.74
TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS 50.40
US POSTAL SERVICE 219.00
VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER 1,333.00
WAGWORKS, INC. 300.16
DECEMBER PAYROLL 216,131.37

Committee Reports: Co-op and Activity Center Committees need to have meetings. Discussion was held on reimbursed travel expenses for state events per coop salary scale by-laws.

Principal Reports:
Principal/AD Sorlie reported on elementary activities, the Artist-in-Residence visit in November and the art show at the holiday concert. He would like to conduct a raffle to raise funds for new playground equipment this spring.

He also reported on One-Act competing at state and picking up additional C-squad basketball games to help compensate for lost opportunities when the opposing school does not have a team.

Principal Hill was absent but reported on the Fargodome Career Expo and Fargo Glass & Paint tour, the Lisbon Career Fair, music concert, finals, NHS lunch drive, movie day and cell phone, smart watches and ear bud guidelines next semester.

Unfinished/Old Business: None.

New Business:
Motion to approve My Live Event advertising. Hansen/Mathias. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve budget amendments on actual revenue entitlements. Hansen/Mathias. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to transfer Waste Management funds for teacher laptops technology expenses in the amount of \$35,168.00. Mathias/Hansen. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement (A) with Lisbon School District. Anderson/Mathias. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to release Adam Hill from the JHBBB coaching contract. Hansen/Anderson. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to update high school bathroom counter tops. Hansen/Mathias. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the tuition agreement (B) with Lisbon School District. Anderson/Hansen. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve open enrollment (B) for a student from the Lisbon School District. Mathias/Hansen. Voting aye: Hansen, Anderson, Mathias, Beck. Voting nay: none. All in favor, motion carried.

Topics of Discussion:
A draft was presented for the North Sargent 3-to-5-year plan.

Discussion was held on renovating the school bathrooms. Supt. Moser will get quotes for bathroom updates.

Bus and mobile radios quotes were reviewed. NS will pass at this time.

The NDSBA Negotiation Seminar will be held in Bismarck in February.

The next school board meeting is Monday, January 13th at 5:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn meeting. Mathias/Hansen. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.
President, Kris Beck

Business Manager, Donna Anderson
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**SARGENT COUNTY COMMISSION
DECEMBER 17, 2024
FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA**

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 9 a.m.. Commissioners in attendance were Scott Johnson, Jason Arth, Jerry Waswick, Lyle Bopp and Chairman Wade Anderson. Also in attendance were State's Attorney, Jayne Pfau; Auditor, Tia Bopp; Robert Lee and Kevin Oland from Marboe Township.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion to approve the agenda with additions. (Arth/Johnson). Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes of the December 3, 2024 meeting as presented. (Johnson/Arth). Motion carried.

Robert Lee and Kevin Oland were present to discuss Bridge #41-136-24.1 which is located in Marboe Township. The commission requested the township officers meet with them to discuss the future of the bridge. Signage will be put up and dirt berms will be used to close the bridge for all motor vehicle use only allowing enough room for livestock and any atvs needed to be used for moving livestock. Mr. Lee and Mr. Oland left the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Motion to approve budgeted transfer of \$25,000 from the general fund to the courthouse fund. (Johnson/Waswick). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to authorize Auditor to transfer any needed monies from the federal aid fund to the road fund to cover any deficit before year end. (Arth/Bopp). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to authorize Auditor to transfer any needed monies from the general fund to other funds to cover any deficit before year end. (Johnson/Arth) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Tax Director, LaJuana Hayen and Chief Deputy Tax Director, Samantha Schilling, arrived at the meeting at 9:23. Discussion was held around valuations of mobile homes and how they are valued by Vanguard. Commissioner Waswick would like to see Vanguard look at how they are valuing mobile homes closer the next time they are in Sargent County.

The Commission moved into reviewing bills.

Road Supervisor, Tim Faber, arrived at the meeting at 9:40.

Motion to approve the December payroll in the amount of \$305,102.31 and the bills as presented. (Johnson/Bopp) Upon roll call vote, motion passed unanimously.

Bills:
First Medic Milnor Ambulance Intercepts \$900.00
Mahler, Trent Cell Phone Reimbursement 550.00
Oakes Ambulance Milnor Ambulance Intercepts 176.40
Otter Tail Power Company Forman Ambulance Electricity 86.36
City of Forman CH/Shop Water, Sewer, Garbage 213.80
Otter Tail Power Company Electricity 1,456.66

Ransom County VSO Salary/Benefits 2,570.07
Weed Control Expenses 35,497.88
Wex Health Fees Admin Fees 22.75
Health Unit Expenses 3,755.25
Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc. SCRAM 24/7 100.00
Anderson, Wade Commissioner Travel-July-Nov 342.37
Arth, Jason Commissioner Travel-Oct-Dec/Phone Reimbursement 2024 747.56
Avid Hawk Website Services 45.00
Baldwin, Duayne Soils Committee Meetings 69.68
Bayger, Vanessa Coroner Travel 56.28
Blair, Morgan Coroner Travel 36.50
Bopp, Tia Auditor Travel/Meals 318.70
Breker, Mark Commissioner Travel 716.90
Bryant, Rick Cell Phone Reimbursement 600.00
Cenex Fleet Sheriff/Coroner/GFR/Emergency Management Travel 195.77
Central Grocery Courthouse Supplies 3.45
Computer Express Tech Support/Equipment 1,635.91
Cre8tive Tz Sheriff Uniforms/Office Supplies 365.00
Dakota Plains Cooperative Sheriff/Coroner/Health Travel 683.23
Dakota Water Solutions 5 Gallon Water Jugs 40.00
Dickey Rural Networks Telephone Services 2,500.17
Forman Drug Vehicle Fob Battery 12.66
Forman Lumber Courthouse Supplies 47.90
Galls Sheriff Uniforms 482.38
Halmrast, Sharon Auditor Travel 44.00
Hayen, Garrett Soils Committee Meetings 45.56
Hayen, LaJuana Tax Travel 32.16
Heritage Insurance Service Sheriff-Notary Bond Renewal 50.00
Information Technology Dept. WAN Access/Netmotion 1,358.80
Innovative Office Solutions Tax Copier Supplies 295.63
Innovative Office Solutions Emergency Management Supplies 210.35
J & M Printing Treasurer/ Sheriff Office Supplies 439.98
Johnson, Bryan Oct-Dec Phone Reimbursement 150.00
Johnson, Margie Sept-Dec Phone Reimbursement 232.96
Loffler Sheriff Office Supplies 22.82
Minn-Kota Communications Renewal of Call Sign 120.00
Mund, Scott Soils Committee Meetings 26.80
ND Community Corrections Associations Community Service Shirts 63.00
Dept. of Corrections & Rehab Prisoner Board 150.00
ND Emergency Management Association Membership Fees 50.00
NDACo Resources Group SmartZone 50.00
Office of Attorney General SCRAM 24/7 365.00
Paepfer, Travis Cell Phone Reimbursement 600.00
Pearson, Randy Soils Committee Meetings 17.42
Pfau, Jayne State's Attorney Supplies/Dues/Cell Phone Aug-Nov, GoTo Meetings Aug-Nov 838.17
Ptacek, Robert Soils Committee Meetings 34.84