

**Mercer County Commission  
Special Interview Meeting Minutes  
July 29, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Gene Wolf. Present were Commissioners Jamee Folk, Travis Frey, Liza Taylor, Rick Bauman, and Auditor Carmen Reed. Absent was Dan Arens with the Hazen Star. Others present during portions of the meeting were HR/EM Director Alice Grinsteinner, Elroy Opp, and Pride Karges.

Folk moved to approve the agenda as presented. Taylor seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

HR/EM Director Alice Grinsteinner briefed the commission on the interview process. Elroy Opp was the first applicant interviewed for the County Road Superintendent position. Grinsteinner interviewed Opp as agreed upon and commission were allowed time to ask questions after the main interview was completed. Upon completion of the interview, Opp exited the meeting.

Recessed at 9:23 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:56 a.m.

Pride Karges was the second applicant interviewed for the County Road Superintendent position. Grinsteinner interviewed Karges as agreed upon and commission were allowed time to ask questions after the main interview was completed. Upon completion of the interview, Karges exited the meeting.

Due to unforeseen personal reasons, Pete Johner had to cancel. The Commission requested Grinsteinner to coordinate with Johner for a new interview time.

There being no further business the special meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m. The next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2024, at 9:00 a. m. in the boardroom of the Mercer County Government Center in Stanton, North Dakota.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gene Wolf, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carmen Reed, Auditor