

**Mercer County Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by Chairman Gene Wolf. Present were Commissioners Jamee Folk, Liza Taylor, Travis Frey, Rick Bauman, Auditor Carmen Reed, and Dan Arens with the Hazen Star. Others present during portions of the meeting were Treasurer Dawn Grannis, HR/EM Director Alice Grinsteinner, and Marv Schwehr.

Pledge of allegiance was said.

Bauman moved to approve the agenda as presented. Frey seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Budget was discussed. HR/EM Director Alice Grinsteinner presented one dollar wage increase for the Building Maintenance Supervisor, Recorder's Office Deputy, and the Landfill Department.

Bauman moved to reduce the general fund Landfill allocation of \$95,000, and treat this transfer like an Extension expense, which is not milled. Frey seconded.

Bauman, Frey, Taylor and Wolf voted aye. Folk voted nay. Motion carried.

Folk made a motion to lower the MCED allocation by \$10,000 from the general fund miscellaneous account and accept the bump-ups for the Deputy Recorder and Maintenance Supervisor. Taylor seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Grinsteinner presented an updated County Road wage bump-up totaling \$51,000.

Recessed at 8:55 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:13 a.m.

County Road salary bump-ups were discussed.

Recessed at 9:17 a.m.

Reconvened 9:27 a.m.

Bauman moved to approve the County Road bump-ups for \$49,623.80 not to exceed \$55,000 with payroll verification of proposed bump-ups, then reduce the cash reserves by this final cost. Folk seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Next budget meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 8:15 a.m. in the Commission boardroom.

There being no further business the special meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 16, 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