### **Proceedings** PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** OF FOSTER COUNTY

**JULY 5, 2022** At 3:30pm, Vice-Chairman Scanson called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Scott Beumer, Commissioner David Utke, and Commissioner Becky Hagel via phone. present were Interim Auditor Ellen Roundy, Road Superintendent Nate Monson, Foster County States Attorney Kara Brinster, and Foster County Independent

The meeting began with apsioner Beumer made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 21st, 2022, regular meet-30th, 2022, special commissioner meeting seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the

motion to approve the bills, seconded by Commissioner Beum-Bills: 33872, Central Business

Systems, \$199.75; 33873, 13.50; 33874, CMF, 187.50; 33875, Express, Computer 33876, Dacotah Paper Company, 305.04; 33877, Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc., 116.75; 33878, Farmers Union Insurance, 3,284.00; 33879, 165.00. 33880, Foster County Inde-

pendent, 1,663.51; 33881, Foster County Independent, 8950; 33882, Foster County Weed Board, 1,347.50; 33883, Garden Inn, 299.20 33884, John Financial, 27,624.99; 33885, Justin Johnson, 112.06; 33886, LEAF, 64.00; 33887, Lorrin Schroeder, 77.00; 33888, Lynelle R. Lyman Hoppe, 187.10; 33889, Melanie G. Hesch, 81.71;. 33890, Michael Clifton 1,000.00; 33891, Nathan Kruse,

4.60; 33892, NDACO Resources Group, 50.00; 33893, Newman Traffic Signs, 1,076.11; 33894, Office of the State Auditor, 6,000.00; 33895, Patagonia Health, Inc., 6,578.45; 33896, Patriot Fuels 180.00; 33897, RDO Equipment Co., 163.71; 33898, Rough Rider Industries, 4,360.00; 33899, South Central Dakota Regional Council, 6,809.00.

33900, Tracey Adkins, 6.42; 33901, United States Treasury, 3,349.69; 33902, Vanguard Appraisals, Inc., 2,475.00; 33903, Vernon Olson, 6.00.

Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion

Old Business

No new business reported for

Commissioner Hagel has contacted Daniel with NEXUS on contract. There may be a conflict of interest, so she has also reached out to the state auditor's office

to keep the culvert policy on the updates until the agreement is

written with townships for 2023. New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superinwith an update from the Road Department. Monson stated since the last meeting there has been a few minor repairs to equipment. There was 4.12 inches of rain in June. The Glenfield shop roof has been repaired. The Wright Bridge project application was accepted by the DOT for review. A few roads are still closed in the county due to water. The Road Department has been out fourteen times so far durapatching. Monson gave an update on the McHenry highway washout. The total expenses to date are \$71,946.95 with the county share being approximately \$4,000 of that. They started mowing highways and will start the remainder on Monday, July 11th. Monson is working on the budget

At 3:43pm Commissioner Copenhaver joined the meeting and took over for Vice-Chairman

and is asking the board to look

into packers for the road depart-

Scanson. Ellen Roundy, Interim Auditor, approached the BOCC on updating the voting delegate for the NDACo Conference. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to select Interim Auditor Roundy as the Foster County voting delegate seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed. On behalf of Public Health, Roundy asked the BOCC to approve the renewal of the Central Business Systems contract for the copier at Public Health. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Commissioner Utke. All voted aye and the motion passed. The state has sent out a mileage reimbursement update increasing the mileage reimbursement from \$0.585 to \$0.625 effective July 1, 2022. Roundy presented a Vanguard contract for the Tax Department. The contract covers fees for the comparable properties search module and for the network module. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. Roll call included: Com-

missioner Beumer: aye, Commis-

sioner Hagel: aye, Commissioner

Copenhaver: aye, Commissioner

Scanson: aye, Commissioner

Utke: aye. Motion carried. Roundy

also informed the BOCC of Proj-

ect SS-3-99(051) set to take place

in the 2024 construction season.

Commissioner Hagel recommended that someone from the plan to attend. Commissioner Hagel also updated the BOCC with progress on NDPHIT. We've off but leaning towards not making the switch. Commissioner Utke informed the BOCC that no meetings have been had with the Ambulance building. Utke updated Jodi Hovdenes with the Ambulance building on what was discussed at the June 21st, 2022, update with FirstNet. All phones have been handed out. Commissioner Hagel will send the new emails to NDACo to get added to the email list. Shrubs and trees have been planted at Juanita Lake. Commissioner Utke made a motion to allow the Soil Conservation to spend approximately \$200.00 to get shrubs and trees Commissioner Beumer. Roll call included: Commissioner Beumer: aye, Commissioner Hagel: aye, Commissioner Scanson: aye, Commissioner Utke: aye. Motion carried. Commissioner Utke was Chris with EAPC. He's requested information by the end of the month to help with 2023 budget

With no further business, Commissioner Copenhaver adjourned the meeting at 4:07pm.

### **JULY 19, 2022**

At 3:30pm, Chairman Copenhaver called the Foster County Roll call included Commissioner David Utke, Commissioner Becky son and Commissioner Pat Copenhaver. Also, present were Interim Auditor Ellen Roundy, Road Superintendent Nate Monson, Foster County States Attorney Kara Brinster, and Foster County Independent Reporter Leasa

The meeting began with approval of the minutes. Commissioner Utke made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5th, 2022, regular meeting seconded oted aye and the motion passed.

Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Commissioner Beumer. All voted aye and the motion

Bills: 33953, Amazon Capital Services, Inc., \$649.59; 33954, Arrowwood Prairie Co-op, 1,077.33; 33955, Auto Value Parts Store, 14.97; 33956, Avid Hawk, LLC, 35.00; 33957, Bessette Motors, Inc., 42,837.96; 33958, Brager Disposal Service, 290.40; 33959, Brinster Law, P.C., 130.69.

33960, Briss Oil Company 313.00; 33961, Butler Machinery Company, 90.10; 33962, C&J Oil Company, 9,737.28; 33963, Central Business Systems, 613.41; Computer Express 1,200.00; 33965, Deere Credit, Inc., 1,498.67; 33966, Department Transportation, 155,677.81; 33967, DS Solutions, 275.00; 33968, Foster County Treasurer, Technology Dept., 1,009.60.

33970, Justin Johnson, 90.50; 33971, Kara Brinster, 409.58; 33972, Lake Region Law Enforcement Center, 1,785.00; 33973, Maertens Welding and Machine Company, 78.50; 22974, NAPA Auto Parts, 245.44; 33975, NDAAO, 140.00; 33976, Office of Attorney General - 1250, 485.00; 33977, Pat Biel Trucking, Inc., 8,372.00; 33978, PharmChem, Inc., 94.35; 33979, Running's Supply, Inc., 868.07.

33980, SyncB/Amazon, 208.86; 33981, Wholesale Ag Products, 197.25; 33982, William J. Gale, 95.03; 33983, Wold Engineering, P.C., 41,027.09.

The BOCC would like Township Road maintenance agreement and blade bid to be included under Road Department discussion. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion

Old Business

No new business reported for journed the meeting at 5:20pm. the gravel pit.

Commissioner Hagel has spoken with the State Auditor's office. There is a conflict of interest to contract out the EM position and grant writing with NEXUS. The BOCC has agreed to run the EM position ad again for two weeks.

Commissioner Utke would like to keep the culvert policy on the agenda under commission policy updates until further notice.

**New Business** Nate Monson, Road Superintendent, approached the BOCC with an update from the Road Department. There has been 1.3" rain since July 6th. Mowing on the highways has been completed. The pipeline project is not adhering to the agreement of staying off the Bordulac highways. This will be discussed with the contractors later in the meeting. Larrabee township needs a culvert on one of the roads closed. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to have the road department get the culvert, line up work to backhoe and gravel, seconded by Commissioner Utke. Roll call vote included: Commissioner Beumer: aye, Commissioner Hagel: aye,

Commissioner Copenhaver: aye,

Commissioner Scanson: aye,

Commissioner Utke: aye. Motion

The county received two bids for a new Motor Grader. The total for the RDO bid after trade in is \$86,260.00 for a 2023 John Deere model 772GP, Butler bid after trade in is: \$178,400.00 for a 2023 CAT model 150 AWD. Com-BOCC to wait to make any decision until the next meeting.

Collin with Garney Construction, along with Garrison Diversion approached the BOCC with an update on opening the road on 74th Ave. During the Commis-7th, 2021, it was decided that the boring underneath it if it was done in June or July of 2022. During the 2021 meeting, the county would allow 5-7 days for the road to be closed for the project. Garney updated the board and is hoping to get to that point by September of 2022. They would create a temporary crossing. The BOCC would harvest season. Another option struction stop short, jump over the road and connect back to it at a later date. Scott Mehring with Garplan as well. Nate Monson stated the same standards as existing. ed Garney Construction meet with plan to do the project, with at least a months' notice. There is also concern about the trucks haulshouldn't be on. State's Attorney Kara Brinster clearly stated that Garney needs to get the message across to the truckers. Garney will work with Brinster on drafting a letter on the issue.

Lisa Hilbert, Public Health Administrator asked the board for approval to open a Prevention Coordinator position within her office. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to open the position and advertise, seconded by Commissioner Hagel. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Joe Voglewede and Roger Schlotman with the Foster County Historical Society approached the BOCC about getting additional funding for the Historical Society. One option would be for the county to give up to \$5,000 to the Historical Society from the generto ask the question on the ballot to was had and the BOCC would like better idea of where the county is

Commissioner Hagel brought to the BOCC that there are a few financial questions that could be asked on the next ballot to extend the current funding the county Fund. These mills expire at the end of 2024. Hagel reiterated how mills. There is Prairie dog money coming in, but it is not guaranteed. The Auditor's office will start organizing information to bring to the BOCC. An agreement with Larrabee township needs to be signed for the ARPA funds. Commissioner Beumer made a motion, secvoted aye and the motion passed. Commissioner Utke received information on building projects and would like to review it all before presenting it to the BOCC. There is nothing new to report for the NDPHIT plan or Ambulance building. Commissioner Utke would like the BOCC to annually look at the allocation by road miles for each township. Utke would like the board to have this information by October, so the townships have time to review. Commissioner Scanson and Commissioner Utke attended the DOT meeting in Devils Lake. Both Commissioners were very pleased with the information received and will look at sharing the information on the county website. Commissioner Copenhaver had a Council for Aging meeting. Everything is going well, nothing new to report. Commissioner Hagel stated that Human Services will be separating services for delinquent juveniles

with children with needs. With no further business, Commissioner Copenhaver ad-

Ellen Roundy, Auditor Pat Copenhaver, Chairman, Foster County Board of Commissioners (Publish August 15, 2022)

### Minutes of Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL **CITY OF CARRINGTON** 

JULY 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Carrington was held Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:30 PM. Mayor Thomas Erdmann presiding.

The following members of Council and City Departments were present: Troy Roundy, Neil Fandrich, Chase Pederson, Al Trader, Trygg Olson, Doug Smith, Abby Geroux, Chris Ormiston, Jason Wolsky, Pam Jerome, and

Jennifer Gast Absent: Leo Ryan. Also present: Ken Wangen, Travis Dillman, Leasa Lura, Kristin Larson, Kristen Hewitt, Lisa House, Tracey Adkins, Amber Kruse, Susie Krause, Lisa Hilbert, Colleen Sweet, Vern Anderson,

Jan Anderson, Cassie Ness, Da-

vid Nelson, Gavyn Anderson, Da-

Hovdenes, Lauren Skadberg, Bart Salazar, Andrea Salazar, and An-

**Public Notice** 

A motion was made by Trader, seconded by Olson, to approve minutes of the regular council meeting on June 13, 2022 and special council meeting on June 28, 2022. All voted aye. Motion

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Pederson, to approve consent agenda item:

To approve 2022 Tree Trimming license application from Felipe Vasquez de Valaso contingent upon proof of state contractor's license. All voted aye. Motion Colleen Sweet, Vern An-

derson, Jodi Hovdenes, Kristen Hewitt, Lisa Hilbert, Gavyn Anderson, Lauren Skadberg, addressed smoke free air law ordinance from Public Health. Bart Salazar spoke against proposed ordinance. After much discussion Mayor Erdmann called for a motion three times, proposed motion died for lack of

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Pederson, to approve Mayor Erdmann sign the construction agreement with Bohlman Trenching in the amount of \$428,373.00 for the Water Main loop project, contingent upon final approval of city attorney regarding All voted aye. Motion carried.

**COMMITTÉE REPORTS** FIRE DEPT:

### Chief Wangen reported they

had 5 calls since the last report, through annual service and found issues with 3 of the 4 pumpers, and will be having live fire on July **ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW:** 

### Mayor Erdmann informed

council they had met today and discussed ordinances related to tobacco, junk, golf cart/ATV/ UTV's, and gaming. They went through a draft ordinance related to illegal discharge in the storm FINANCE & LEGAL:

#### Mayor Erdmann informed

council they had met today and discussed unpaid leave with the librarian, Foster County City Assessor contract increase, insurance value increase on policy for the Water Plant and lift stations, CCEDC:

Mayor Erdmann informed council they had met July 6, 2022 and discussed CCEDC board taking over administrative support in time home buying incentive, Juserties going out on bids.

A motion was made by Roun-, seconded by Olson, to apto approve CCEDC board provide another Economic Development Director. The following voted in favor: Pederson, Roundy, Fandrich, Trader, Olson, and Smith. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trader, seconded by Roundy, to approve CCEDC's recommendation a first time home buving in centive to Jon & Christina Oatis, for \$3000.00 cash and \$3000.00 in Carrington cash, per program guidelines. The following voted in favor: Roundy, Fandrich, Trader, Olson, Smith, and Pederson. Against: None. Motion carried.

### AIRPORT:

Councilman Fandrich reported they had met July 7 at 5:30, Interstate Engineering gave a progress update on the runway & taxiway rehabilitation project and July 26 at 2:00 is a preconstruction meeting for the project, reviewed preliminary 2023 budget, waiting on parts for light repairs, and doing mowing.

LIBRĂRY: Councilman Trader told council the report is in the packet, reviewed and approved budget, and the Director is taking some time

### off with no pay. POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Councilman Trader told council they had met this evening and discussed opening the Chief position, ordinances, Officers Ormiston and Kapp maxed out on PTO, and they had hired Chris Bittmann as a patrolman who starts on July

A motion was made by Trader, seconded by Roundy to approve Officers Ormiston and Kapp selling back up to 40 hours of PTO by November 1, 2022. The following voted in favor: Fandrich, Olson, Trader, Roundy, Smith, and Pederson. Against: None. Motion

### TREE BOARD: Councilman Smith reported

they are in the process of closing out our 2021 ND community family forest grant, Wolsky and Kathy Wiederholt have identified 44 additional trees to remove & 2 optional trees, still working on getting a contractor, we were awarded 2022 American the Beautiful Tree planting grant for up to \$5,253. **PUBLIC WORKS:** 

Councilman Roundy reported they had met tonight and dis-

cussed the west side storm water update, water loop project, Dakota Growers manhole rehabilitation, working on budget, water plant production, inspection by the ND DEQ that we passed, water tower patch repair, water main break on Main St. with 2 repairs, alleys have been bladed, and City Hall roof repair. Wolsky was tasked with getting a quote for a steel roof

on city hall.

## **BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

Public Works Director Wolsky told council there were 8 building permits, 1 demolition permit, and 1 moving permit since last report.

A motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Roundy, to approve the committee reports as presented. All voted aye. Motion A motion was made by Olson \$21,052.86;

seconded by Smith, to approve the bills as previously submitted and listed on agenda. The following voted in favor: Smith, Pederson, Roundy, Olson,

Trader, and Fandrich. Against: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council a motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Trader, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Bills: 300, United States Treasury, \$6,729.27; 301, NDPERS 337.50: 303. United States Treasury, 6,416.24; 304, NDPERS, 337.50; 305, United States Trea-

sury, 5,720.20.

26641, AFLAC, 1,502.65; 26642, AT&T Mobility, 357.89; 26643, Unum Life Insurance Company, 64.29; 26644, Postmaster, 325.46; 26645, Pipestem Alcohol & Drug Network, 65.00; 26646, LEAF, 226.00; 26647. Aqua-Pure, Inc., 1,791.37; 26648, Lange Lock Shop, 80.00; 26649, Acme Tools, 76.48.

26650, Amazon, 26651, Aramark, 267.78; 26652, Arrowwood Prairie Co-op, 859.48 26653, Auto Value Carrington, 110.40: 26654. Balco Uniform Co., 326,00: 26655. Bank of North Dakota, 2,437,18; 26656, Barnes & Noble, 12,59; 26657, Bessette Motors, Inc., 974.33; 26658, Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND. 18.655.90: 26659. Butler Machinery, 698.23. 26660, Carrington Park Dis-

trict, 1,538.93; 26661, Carrington Chamber & Economic Development, 53,484.00; 26662, Carrington Drug, 131.50; 26663, Carrington Motor, Inc., 302.78; 26664, Carrington City Library Petty Cash, 136.52; 26665, Central City Lumber, 249.99; 26666, Central Business Systems. 12,520.00; 26667, Chieftain Conference Center, 83.70; 26668 City of Carrington, 840.52; 26669 City of Carrington Petty Cash, 26670, C&J Oil Co., 2,495.92;

26671, Core & Main, 2,741.54; Carrington Convention Visitor's Bureau. 2.722.95: 26673. Dakota Central Telecom I. 1.006.68: 26674. Dalsted & Rvan P. C., 2,340.00; 26675, Demco, 267.25: 26676. Ecolab Pest Elim. Div., 322.01; 26677, Dakota Supply Group/Fargo, 984.08; 26678, Farmer's Union Service Association, 433.00; 26679, Foster County Independent, 586.73. 26680. Gast. 200.13: 26681, GEI Consultants,

3,900.00; 26682, Graymont Western US, Inc., 6,313.39; 26683, Gussiaas Electric LLC. 270.00: 26684, Harrison Sales and Services, 197.98; 26685, Hawkins, Inc., 3,183.72; 26686. Information Technology Dept., 39.85; 26687, Interstate Engineering, 9,726.68; 26688, Carrington Economic Development, 31,364.91; 1.235.13.

Kapp, Elizabeth, 26690, 131.25; 26691, Leevers Foods, 102.38; 26692, Montana Dakota Utilities, 4,861.00; 26693, Motorola Solutions, Inc., 23,465.64; 26694, NAPA Auto Parts, 318.42; 26695, ND Building Officials Assoc., 215.00; 26696, ND Dept. of Health, 18.54; 26697, NDLC - North Dakota League of Cities, 30.00; 26698, One Call Concepts, 35.10; 26699, Northern Plains Electric Co., 754.63.

26700, OK Tire Store, 58.40; 26701, Ottertail Power Co., 7,248.82; 26702, Patriot Fuels, 2,277.81; 26703, Pat Biel Trucking, Inc., 2,724.00; 26704, P.O.S.T. Board, 45.00; 26705, Lexipol, 480.00; 26706, Proforms, 1,002.10; 26707, Powerplan RDO Equipment, 246.43; 26708, Running's Supply, Inc., 540.75; 26709, Running's Supply, Inc., 59.79.

26710, Sanitation Products 1.379.27: 26711. Schulz Plumbing & Heating, 12.50; 26712, Sola, Rebecca, 40.00; 26713, Steam Brothers, 599.00; 26714, Waste Management of ND, 36,147.13; 26715, Rick's Wholesale Tire 205.00; 26716, Wolsky, Jason 100.00: 26717, 1,500.00. Payroll: 15. July

July 29, 2022. \$22,541.93.

### **SPECIAL MEETING** JULY 21, 2022

A special meeting of the City Council was held on Thursday. July 21, 2022, at 6:30 PM, at City Hall. Mayor Thomas Erdmann presiding. The following members of

council and city departments were

present: Troy Roundy, Neil Fandrich, Doug Smith, Chris Ormiston, and Jennifer Gast. Absent: Chase Pederson.

Trygg Olson, Al Trader, Jason Wolsky and Leo Ryan. A motion was made by Roun-

dy, seconded by Fandrich, to approve allowing Officer Schlak to sell back up to 40 hours PTO by November 1, 2022. All voted aye Motion carried. A motion was made by Smith seconded by Roundy, to increase

the Water Plant employees, Jor-

dan Wolf and Dan Miller, per pay period pay by \$250.00 retroactive to July 1, 2022. The following voted in favor: Roundy and Smith Against: Fandrich. Motion carried A motion was made by Smith seconded by Roundy, to amend the previous motion to increase the Water Plant employees, Jor-

dan Wolf and Dan Miller, per pay period pay by \$250.00 retroactive to July 1, 2022 with an end date of January 1, 2023 or sooner if an additional employee is hired. The following voted in favor: Roundy Fandrich, and Smith. Against None. Motion carried. Auditor Gast presented the 2023 Preliminary Budget and dis-

There being no further business on the special meeting

cussion was held.

agenda, a motion was made by Fandrich, seconded by Smith, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion car-Adjourned at 9:03 PM.

#### SPECIAL MEETING **AUGUST 3, 2022** A special meeting of the City

Council was held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at 7:00 PM, at City Hall. Mayor Thomas Erdmann presiding. The following members of

council and city departments were present: Troy Roundy, Neil Fandrich, Chase Pederson, Al Trader, Trygg Olson, Doug Smith, Leo Ryan, Chris Ormiston, Jason Wolsky, and Jennifer Gast.

Absent: None.

Mayor Erdmann provided a summary of the first 2023 Preliminary Budget meeting held on July 21st for those who were unable to

Auditor Gast presented options for the 2023 Preliminary Budget relative to whether the Council wanted a tax increase, decrease, or a net zero option in relation to year end fund balances. Further discussion was held

er, seconded by Pederson, to approve the 2023 Preliminary Budget utilizing option 5 which levies 90 mills for the general fund and reflects a small tax increase of 2.84% overall. The following voted in favor: Smith, Olson, Trader, Fandrich, Roundy, and Pederson. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Olson to set the Public Hearing date on the 2023 Budget for Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business on the special meeting agenda, a motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Olson, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:34 PM. Jennifer Gast, Auditor Tom Erdmann, Mayor, City Council, City of Carrington (Publish August 15, 2022)



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**CORRECTION** 

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trict Court report in the August 8 edition of the Foster County Independent contained incorrect information.

It was stated that Nathan Samuel Unruh of Sykeston had been convicted of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, when in fact, it was Logan Scott Wenstad of Fargo. Wenstad's name was inadvertently omitted in the report,

The Southeast Dis- making it appear that Unruh was the individual convicted.

The Independent regrets the error. Below is the correct

version. Nathan Samuel Unruh, Sykeston, N.D.: Consumption

or possession of alcohol by person under 21 - general: fine/ state: \$150. Logan Scott Wenstad, Fargo,

N.D.: Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia - use/storage Marijuana or Tetrahydrocannabinol. Fees: fine/state: \$150.

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### HOPPE —

national association activities and humanitarian efforts beyond the normal call of duty. Hoppe is only the second North Dakotan to be selected for the NA-CAA Hall of Fame.

"It is humbling to be honored for doing what I enjoy – helping people," says Hoppe.

Hoppe joined NDSU Extension in 1990 as an Extension associate at the Carrington Research Extension Center. In 1992 he became an Extension specialist focusing on beef cattle nutrition and management for cow-calf and feedlot. He has conducted cattle feedout projects for more than 28 years and has worked with ranchers to develop a cattle finance cooperative, cattle feeding partnerships, and cattle slaughter and processing businesses.

In addition to his outreach work, Hoppe has taken leadership roles within NDSU Extension and across the state. His outreach work and NACAA leadership at the state and national level has earned him numerous awards and recognition. Additionally, his involvement in farming, conservation and sustainability led to

an appointment as the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) state coordinator for North Dakota.

"During his career, Karl has demonstrated tremendous commitment, not only to agricultural producers, but also to fellow Extension agents and specialists," says Jeff Gale, Extension agent in Foster County. "As a new agent, I consider him an tracting information including; outstanding role model and mentor.

A cattle and sheep rancher himself, Hoppe is a 31-year member of the North Dakota Stockmen Association, through which he has served as director on the Feeder Council. He also has served as director for the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Growers Association and as supervisor for the Foster County Soil Conservation District for 16 year.

"Karl's lifetime of dedication to the livestock producers of North Dakota and his willingness to assist the next generation of Extension agents and livestock producers speaks volumes of his value to the state of North Dakota and Extension," says Brad Brummond, Extension agent in Walsh County.

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### GALLERY —

Edinger has lived in Carrington for 15 years with her husband, Mark. They lived on the Edinger family farm located 15 miles west of New Rockford before that as the fourth generation to till the land, and operated a petting zoo and gift shop there that drew visitors of all ages.

Jamestown, she was set to open Sapphire Gallery in March 2020, before the COVID-19 shutdown put those plans on the shelf and the future of her venture in doubt. Edinger had operated her own freelance photography business for two years prior, and does to this day.

When she began in

The chance closure of another custom frame shop and liquidation of that business's inventory was a stroke of luck for Edinger at the exact perfect time.

"My gallery still hadn't opened, and I was paying rent, yet not generating revenue," she explained in an interview in December of last year with Connect, a newsletter published by the Professional Picture Framers Association (PPFA).

An avid photographer, Edinger gained interest in framing as a result of that

"I've always had an interest in nature and would pore over my dad's wildlife magazines, as well as National Geographic when I was growing up," she said.

Her purchase of a Canon DSLR (digital single-lens reflex) camera from a friend several years back acceler-

ated Edinger's pursuits of a new career. "It was 'love at first click,'

and I'm now on my fourth camera body and have invested in lenses that get me closer to wildlife," Edinger said. "Any day I can get out

with my camera is a good One of her favorite places to shoot is White Horse Hill National Game Pre-

serve, just outside of St. Michael on the Spirit Lake Reservation. A particularly great

shoot for Edinger happened when a bull elk was walking through the trees, and a passing driver told Mark that another one was in sight several yards up the

"So I turned around and could see him — with his 7x7 rack — in the distance. He was incredible, and had his harem and several calves with him, in a pond. I captured the herd running through the water with the sun behind them. I think I was squealing with excitement the entire time."

Mark has been part of his wife's and Sapphire Gallery's triumphs the whole way, having battled cancer for over seven years and still fighting the fight. They just celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary this past February.

"The gallery was going to be my part-time distraction from that life reality," said Jill. "It's a journey I wish on no one, but I'm very thankful to have this opportunity to be my own boss and have the flexibility to take time off to be with him for doctor appointments, and treatments."

They have two children, daughter Marley Zachmann, a physical therapist in Bismarck married to her husband, Travis, and mom to Mark and Jill's grandchildren, Eve and Brody. Their son, Matt, works as a utility locator, and has served in the National Guard for 14 years.

Edinger's work has been showcased at the Bismarck Street Fair, Sheyenne Valley Arts and Crafts Association (SVACA) events, and Pride of Dakota, and she has also had entries in the North Dakota Watchable Wildlife Photo Contest.

Services offered at Sapphire Gallery include custom framing, glass cutting and replacement, and photo printing to sizes up to 17" x 22". Additional artists' work is also for sale on consignment, of which include painters, woodworkers, glass artists, jewelry creators, authors, and prints from other photographers.

To contact Edinger at the gallery, call (701) 302-0234 or e-mail sapphiregallery jamestown@gmail.com.

(Editor's Note: Additional information for this article was sourced from the December 2021 issue of Connect.)

### **Section 00 1113 Advertisement for** bids Livestock **Support Facility NDSU** Research **Extension Center** Carrington, **North Dakota** Sealed proposals for Multiple

**Public Notice** 

Prime Contracts for Bid Packages:

- General Construction - Mechanical Construction
- Electrical Construction

Bids will be received by the Carrington Research Extension Center to the attention of Mike Ostlie, 663 Highway 281 North, Carrington, ND 58421 for the construction of the Carrington REC Livestock Support Facility. On behalf of Craftwell Architects + Construction and the NDSU Research extension Center, until 3:00 P. M., Local Time, on Thursday, Sept 1, 2022, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids received after the scheduled time will be returned to the bidder unopened.

Bidders shall have the option to submit a Prime Bid for all classifications of the work and/or separate bids for General Construction. Mechanical Construction, and Electrical Construction.

The procurement and con-Drawings, Technical Specifications. Addenda, and other contract documents as prepared by Craftwell Architects + Construction; Heyer Engineering, Structural Engineer: may be examined at the following places: The office of Craftwell Architects + Construction, Fargo, North Dakota, and the builders exchanges of Bismarck, Fargo-Moorhead, Minot, and Grand Forks, North Dakota; Dodge Data & Analytics, and Construction Market Data. Electronic documents can be requested through Craftwell Architects + Construction.

Bids shall comply with North Dakota Century Code Chapter 48-01.1 as amended. Each bid submitted shall consist of two separate sealed envelopes one clearly marked "Bid Proposal" and the other clearly marked "Bid Bond" on the outside both with contractor's name. The two envelopes shall be attached to each other. The bid security must be in the

sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid including any add alternates and must be in the form of a bidder's bond made payable to the Carrington Research Extension Center. A bidder's bond must be executed by the bidder as principal and surety, conditioned that if the principal's bid is accepted and the contract awarded to the principal. the principal, within ten days after notice of the award, shall execute a contract in accordance with the terms of the bid and the bid bond and any condition of the governing body. A countersignature of a bid bond is not required under this section. If a successful bidder does not execute a contract within the ten days allowed, the bidder's bond must be forfeited to the governing body and the project awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder.

No bidder may withdraw this bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. The bids of the three lowest Bidders for each contract will be retained until the contract has been awarded and executed, but no longer than thirty (60) days after the date of the Bid.

All Bidders shall hold a valid North Dakota Contractor's license of the proper class for the full amount of the bid and shall enclose a copy of the license or Certificate of Renewal of the license with their bid. The Owner reserves the right

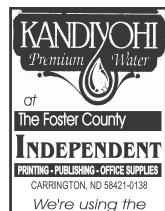
to reject any and all bids and to waive any formalities therein and rebid the project until a satisfactory bid is received. The successful Bidder will be

required at the time the contract is executed to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance Certificate, Certificate of Insurance, Company Safety Manual, and Waiver of Subrogation.

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