

Morton County Road Commission Agenda

Morton County Highway Department, 2916 37th St NW, Mandan ND

20 March 2025 @ 3:00 pm

Call to order

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of minutes for the previous meeting

1. Discuss questions on an abandoned bridge – Jerry Jangula;
 2. Discuss Commercial/Industrial Subdivision, St. Anthony – Natalie Pierce;
 3. Discuss buying re-mill from Martin Construction from the Strip Project in Mandan;
 4. Monthly Updates:
 - a. Design Projects
 - b. Construction Projects
 - c. Culvert Replacements
 - d. Budget Update
 5. Other
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Morton County Road Commission Meeting
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February 19, 2025

Commission members Present: Jackie Buckley, Paul Tokach, Roger Hille, Kyle Kirchmeier, Steve Tomac

Commission members Absent: None

Others present: John Saiki, Natalie Pierce

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by Chair Jackie Buckley

1. Development Applications – Natalie Pierce – Wanted to advise Road Commission of two applications and if there were any concerns. The first, White Oak Ranch Subdivision, owners want to develop a wedding venue. This will require a zoning change from Agriculture to Commercial. Due to the number of guests, they anticipate, a change to Agritourism will not be adequate since the number of guests is anticipated to exceed 200. The only concern from the Road Commission is that there is adequate parking. The Schock Subdivision is along CR 82 was also discussed. The concern of the Road Commission is that a condition added that states any issues related the landfill and the road will not be addressed by the County.

2. Discuss Policy 7007 – Weight Enforcement – Sheriff Kyle Kirchmeier – current version of the policy was reviewed. Kyle made a motion to move forward and present to the full commission with the condition that the title be revised to match the wording of the Century Code. Roger 2nd. Motion carried.

3. Discuss Furnace Replacements – Mandan and New Salem – Discussed the quotes for both locations. Steve made a motion to contract with Runway Heating and Air for the Mandan Shop. Kyle 2nd. Motion carried. The Road Commission would like a quote regarding changing to Radiant Heat for New Salem and see if it would be beneficial based on the remaining life of the shop building. This will be reviewed at the March Road Commission meeting.

4. Monthly Updates – a & b. Design Projects and Construction projects – Bridges near Flasher and St Anthony are under contract with APEX bid opening moved to May 2026. Bridge South of Almont (Sauber Engineering) received approval for the Corps of Engineers permit the morning of the meeting, February 19th. Bidding January 2026. Schmidt Bridge is being designed by Ulteig Engineering, bid opening January 2027. Starck bridge work remaining is permanent seeding and Erosion Control. Winter Shutdown. Youngtown bridge is scheduled for March 2025 bid opening. Graf bridge Box Culvert permanent seeding and Erosion Control is all that remains, winter shutdown as well. KLJ working on the Mork bridge. Bids for CR 140 Summit Street in Hebron were reviewed. Roger made a motion to approve the apparent low bidder, Central Specialties. Steve 2nd. Motion carried.

d. Budget Update – Will have a final budget for 2024 at the next meeting. Reviewed expenses for January 2025. Two Way Radios have been delivered. They will be installed when the system is

complete and put in service. Sheriff Kirchmeier stated the system is being tested and the consoles are still needed for State Radio and the LEC for Dispatch. He thought perhaps in June the system will be ready.

- e. Federal Aid Ineligibility Update – Talked to and sent an email to Larry Gangl, Bismarck District Engineer. He provided no assistance. We are in the process of submitting a claim to the bonding company.

5. Other – Chad and John will not be able to attend the March meeting on the 19th, as both will be out of town. It was decided to move the March meeting to March 20th at 3:30pm.

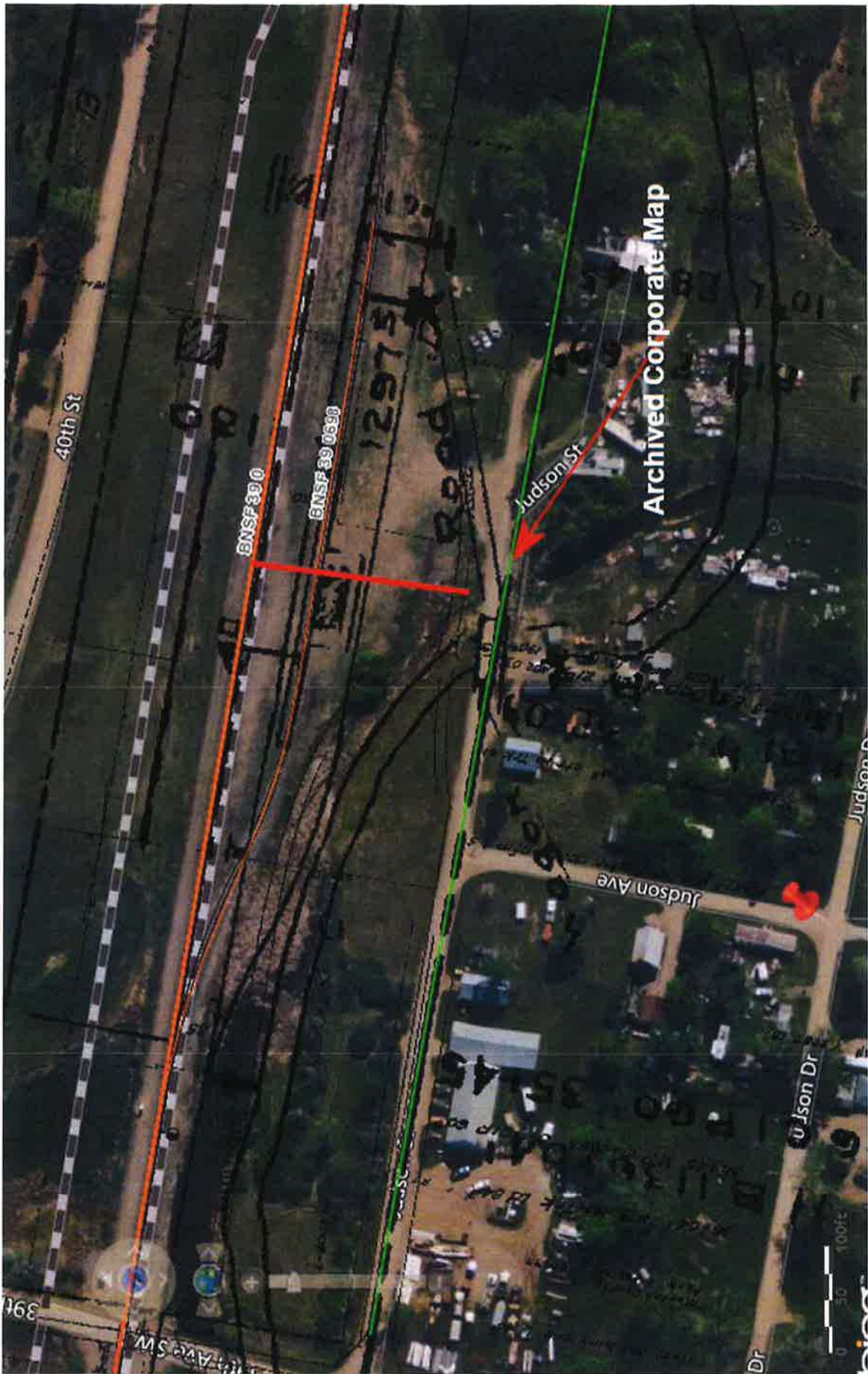
Roger moved to adjourn, Kyle 2nd. The meeting was adjourned 3:10 pm.

John Saiki

From: McBeth, Amy G <Amy.McBeth@BNSF.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 2:50 PM
To: John Saiki
Cc: Nate Krikorian
Subject: RE: Judson, ND pedestrian bridge

Thank you, John. In the meantime I've been able to get the below from our real estate folks. The BNSF right of way is 200 feet on either side of the main line tracks. Judson Street is not on BNSF property and the bridge is to the south of Judson Street. Using the archived corporate mapping and the GIS mapping, the bridge does not appear to be on BNSF property. In that case, the county or the city would be able to do with it what they want. I will convey to the citizen who contacted me that BNSF doesn't own the bridge and he can take up his interest locally. If you learn of something different, please let me know. Thank you.

Amy



From: John Saiki <john.saiki@mortonnd.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 11:45 AM
To: McBeth, Amy G <Amy.McBeth@BNSF.com>
Cc: Nate Krikorian <nate.krikorian@mortonnd.org>
Subject: RE: Judson, ND pedestrian bridge

EXTERNAL EMAIL

Amy,

We don't have any formal documentation, such as a memorandum of agreement or transfer of ownership. After Jerry Jangula called, we researched our files and could not find anything. We responded based on the attached file. This image shows the bridge in question on BNSF Right of Way. From that we decided we do not have the authority to sell or give the bridge way. I recommended he contact the BNSF. I don't know who he has talked to since he didn't ask about any contact information for you or anyone else.

That is a summary of my conversations with Jerry.

John Saiki, PE
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From: McBeth, Amy G <Amy.McBeth@BNSF.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 10:21 AM
To: John Saiki <john.saiki@mortonnd.org>

Cc: Fiorini, Alexander James <Alexander.Fiorini@BNSF.com>

Subject: Judson, ND pedestrian bridge

Hi John – I hope all is going well for you. Following up on my voicemail, I'm reaching out because we heard from a Morton County resident about his interest in a pedestrian bridge at Judson that he says BNSF owns. Do you all have documentation on the bridge and its ownership? If so, would you be willing to share it? Before we entertain the resident's request, we're trying to ascertain details on the bridge. Appreciate any information you can provide from your end.

Amy McBeth
Public Affairs
BNSF Railway
612-770-8471



Pedestrian Bridge

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Morton County Bridge Priorities

Bridge #	Location	Notes	Consultant	Contact	Bid Date	Replacement a Major Structure
Off System (100% funded)						
30-152-35.0	11 East 1 North Flasher		APEX	Troy Ripplinger	May 1, 2026	
30-158-27.0	2 South 1 East of St Anthony		APEX	Troy Ripplinger	May 1, 2026	
30-141-25.0	11 North 1 West Flasher		Ulteig	Mary Boechler	January 1, 2027	
On System (100 % funded)						
30-162-41.0	Solen		HDR	Craig Mizera	January 1, 2027	X
On System (80-20 funded)						
30-143-19.0	9 South 3 East of Judson	Stark Bridge	Sauber	John Sauber		X
30-128-19.0	1 South Almont		Sauber	John Sauber	January 1, 2026	
HB 1505 (NDDOT)						
2022 30-133-03.0	7N of New Salem	Youngtown	AEZS	Todd Norton	March 14, 2025 Bid Opening	X
ARPA (COVID) Funding						
30-153-04.0	7N 13E of Judson	North of Truck Stop	Sauber	John Sauber	Winter Shutdown - top soil placement and seeding next spring	X
30-156-04.1 (Work Bridge)	2W 6N of Mandan	Bank Slumping	KLJ	Jennie Krause	Will require USACE Individual Permit Long process - Unlikely to receive approval	
2023						
2 30-123-05.0	9W 4N of New Salem	Danzig Dam	SRF	Ryan Rykowski	Design on Hold due to permitting	
3 30-114-08.0	3N of Glen Ullin	Frontage Road	Apex	Troy Ripplinger	Apex is following up with NDDOT regarding permit, looking at modifications to move off of NDDOT R/W	X
4 30-128-10.0	5W 1S of New Salem	40th Street				
5 30-120-23.0	5S 8W of Almont	CO 87				
6 30-164-35.0	3S 9W of Fort Rice	17th Ave				
2024						
1 30-103-06.1	City of Hebron	South Park Street	Open and Posted			
2 30-103-06.2	City of Hebron	East Fulton Ave	Closed			
3 30-129-18.1	3N of Glen ullin	49.5 Ave	Big Bridge West of Almont			