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BOARD OF PEMBINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

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Special Meeting

October 21, 2021

10:00 AM

Board of Pembina County Commissioners met in Special Session at 10:00 AM in the Farmers Room of the Pembina County Courthouse with the following members present: Laverne Doyle, Nick Rutherford, and Hugh Ralston. Absent: Jim Benjaminson and Hetty Walker.

Chairperson Doyle called the meeting to order at 10:18 AM.

Commission met with the Soils Committee. Attending were Mikka Willits, Tax Director, Lisa Wieler, Deputy Tax Director, Roy Paton, Camburn Shephard, Brad Schuster, William Gunderson, Robert W. Vivatson, and Lance Duey, NRCS. Available by telephone: Nickolaus Heuchert. Absent: Reid Christenson. Ms. Willits handed out the Pembina County Soils Committee Policy, previously reviewed by the Board of Commission, to all in attendance. Soils Committee members reviewed the policy. Mr. Shephard expressed his concerns with the NRCS PI indexes used to determine the soils type valuations being final and feels that local knowledge should be taken into consideration. Ms. Willits reminded the Soils Committee members of the State adopting the NRCS Web Soil Survey in 2012, and that those valuations are the base line to start the process. Mr. Duey discussed general use polygons within the NRCS mapping program units and mapping concepts. The objective of the Soils Committee is to recommend **land use** modifiers for areas of concern. Motion made by Nick Rutherford and seconded by Hugh Ralston to adopt the Soils Committee Policy as presented. All voting in favor; motion carried.

Ms. Willits reviewed the mapping procedures for the GIS Parcel Viewer, available on the Pembina County website, with the Soils Committee members and Commission.

Lance Duey reviewed the Web Soils Survey mapping procedures utilized by the NRCS with the Soils Committee members and Commission.

Motion made by Nick Rutherford and seconded by Hugh Ralston to adjourn the meeting. All voting in favor; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:08 pm.