

**SPECIAL COUNTY BOARD MEETING
FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The County Board of Ford County met pursuant to adjournment in the Sheriff's Boardroom at the Jail in Paxton on Monday, June 17, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Debbie Smith.

B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Chase McCall, Carson Vaughn, Lesley King, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chuck Aubry, Tim Nuss, Ann Ihrke, Vice Chairman C. Ihrke and Chairman Smith. Mrs. Mussman and Randy Ferguson were not present.

C. PROCLAMATION

Chairman Smith

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Smith

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mrs. C. Ihrke made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. Mrs. King seconded it.

Voice Vote – Nays – 2

F. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 10, 2024, COUNTY BOARD MINUTES:

Mr. McQuinn made the motion to approve the June 10, 2024, County Board Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- 4 citizens spoke about concerns with the Farm #3 going into CRP and if the land was transferred to the county.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to open the submitted sealed bid for a CRP operator/manager for Ford County Farm #3. Mrs. King seconded it. After discussion of the only submitted bid from the Loda Sportsman Club, a roll call was taken to accept the submitted bid.

**** MOTION FAILED ****

Roll Call – Ayes – 7, Nays 3
(Nays – McCall, Vaughn & May)

- The board then discussed the need for 9 votes in order to move forward and they discussed different options to use the land for such as an area for county residents would be able use.

- There was a discussion regarding a motion to reconsider the bids and the calling of another Special Board Meeting in 3 days. Clerk & Recorder Frederick explained that there was not enough time to set a meeting in 3 days for publishing purposes. No meeting was called.

- Mr. Aubry made the motion to open the submitted sealed bid for an operator to plant soybeans on Farm #3. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. After discussion of the only submitted bid from Purcell Farms, a roll call was taken to accept the submitted bid.

Roll Call – Ayes – 5, Nays – 5

**** MOTION FAILED ****

(Nays – King, McQuinn, A. Ihrke, C. Ihrke & Smith)

I. OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. McCall asked due to not agreeing on the operator agreement of cash leasing the farm, if an Ad Hoc Committee could be formed to resolve some of the issues with Farm #3. After discussion, it was noted that the subject was not on the agenda for tonight's meeting therefore could not be voted on tonight.

J. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Aubry moved to adjourn. Mrs. King seconded it.
The meeting ended at 7:50 P.M.

K. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, July 8, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____

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FORD COUNTY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	ACCEPT BID FOR CRP MANAGER/OPERATOR FOR FARM #3		ACCEPT BID FOR OPERATOR TO PLANT SOYBEANS ON FARM #3		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
		YES	NO	YES	NO								
A	MUSSMAN, Sarah	-	-	-	-								
P	McCALL, Chase	X	X	X	X								
P	VAUGHN, Carson		X	X									
A	FERGUSON, Randy	-	-	-	-								
P	KING, Lesley	X			X								
P	MAY, Gene		X	X									
P	McQUINN, Tom	X			X								
P	AUBRY, Chuck	X		X									
P	IHRKE, Ann	X			X								
P	NUSS, Tim	X		X									
P	IHRKE, Cindy (VC)	X			X								
P	SMITH, Debbie (CHAIRMAN)	X			X								
RESULTS = PASSED OR FAILED		FAILED	3	5	5								

COUNTY CLERK: AMY FREDERICK