

EMERGENCY COMMISSION MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday, March 5, 2014

A meeting of the Emergency Commission was held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, in the Governor's Conference Room. Present in the room were Governor Jack Dalrymple, Senator Rich Wardner, Representative Jeff Delzer, and Secretary of State Al Jaeger. Participating via telephone was Senator Ray Holmberg and Representative Al Carlson. Governor Dalrymple called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

1. State Auditor's Office * (Request # 1828)

Request approval for increased spending authority of (\$102,750) to accept federal funds from the United States Department of Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, for the salary line – 11710 (\$86,500) and the operating line – 11730 (\$16,500) for the agency's royalty audit program for the increased number of audits related to the energy sector.

Senator Holmberg moved to approve the request. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. Voting yes were Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, Wardner, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

2. Office of Management and Budget (Request # 1829)

Request approval of the statewide housing survey, as required by Section 6 of HB 1015, subsection 1(c), which states in part that, "rental assistance payments must be based on a housing survey conducted by the agency or a statewide survey subject to review and recommendation by the office of management and budget and approval by the emergency commission." It will be used as OMB's basis on which to review rental assistance applications during the biennium and to make recommendations for consideration by the Emergency Commission.

Representative Delzer moved to approve the request with the stipulation that an updated survey be provided for the November 2014 meeting. Representative Carlson seconded the motion. Voting yes were Wardner, Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

3. Office of Attorney General * (Request # 1830)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$68,500 to accept state contingency funds for the litigation fees line (\$68,500) because of depletion of funds in that line associated with legal cases including tobacco diligent enforcement, MKB Management vs. B. Burdick (2011-13 abortion inducing drugs litigation related to HB 1297, 2011 Session Laws, Chapter 109), and the State of North Dakota vs. United States (section line litigation).

Secretary Jaeger moved to approve the request. Senator Wardner seconded the motion. Voting yes were Jaeger, Wardner, Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

4. Office of Attorney General * (Request # 1831)

Request approval for one FTE and increased spending authority of (\$100,000) to accept federal funds from the Office of National Drug Control Policy, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA), for salaries and wages line (\$66,000) and operating line (\$34,000) to fund prosecutor in Minot and Williston to assist in prosecution related to drug trafficking.

Senator Wardner moved to approve the request. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. Voting yes were Delzer, Jaeger, Wardner, Carlson, Holmberg, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

5. North Dakota Game and Fish Department * (# 1832)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$500,000 to accept a grant from the Industrial Commission, North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund, for the habitat and deer depredation line – 70 (\$500,000) for the agency's Private Land Open to Sportsmen (PLOTS) program and the Save Our Lakes (SOL) program.

Representative Carlson moved to approve the request. Senator Wardner seconded the motion. Voting yes were Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, Wardner, Carlson, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

6. North Dakota Game and Fish Department * (# 1833)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$491,000 to accept federal funds of \$368,250 from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program (authorized by the Sport Fish Restoration Act of 1950), and \$122,750 from the agency's special fund for the capital assets line – 50 (\$491,000) related to project at the Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery.

Representative Carlson moved to approve the request. Senator Wardner seconded the motion. Voting yes were Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, Wardner, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

7. Parks & Recreation Department * (# 1834)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$129,000 to accept a grant from the Industrial Commission, North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund, for natural resources line – 75071 (\$129,000) for agency's natural resource stewardship project.

Senator Wardner moved to approve the request. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. Voting yes were Wardner, Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

8. Parks & Recreation Department * (# 1835)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$112,000 to accept a grant from the Industrial Commission, North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund, for recreation line – 75072 (\$112,000) for agency's trail restoration and improvement project.

Secretary Jaeger moved to approve the request. Senator Wardner seconded the motion. Voting yes were Jaeger, Wardner, Carlson, Holmberg, Delzer, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

9. Parks & Recreation Department * (# 1836)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$298,000 to accept funds from the agency's special funds, park and recreation fund for the natural resources line – 75071 (\$298,000) for costs in excess of appropriated amounts (SB 2019, 2013 Session Laws, Chapter 45) for the Lewis and Clark State Park (\$149,000), the Fort Stevenson State Park (\$95,000), and the Lake Sakakawea State Park (\$54,000). (Note: special funds made possible by additional energy related revenue received by the agency.)

Senator Wardner moved to approve the request. Secretary Jaeger seconded the motion. Voting yes were Jaeger, Wardner, Holmberg, and Dalrymple. Voting no were Delzer and Carlson. Motion carried.

10. Parks & Recreation Department * (# 1837)

Request approval for increased spending authority of \$130,000 to accept funds from the agency's special funds, park and recreation fund for the natural resources line – 75071 (\$130,000) for expenses related to the operation of the Marina at Lake Sakakawea (Note: special funds made possible by revenue received for Marina operations, e.g., concessions and boat slip rentals.)

Senator Wardner moved to approve the request. Senator Holmberg seconded the motion. Voting yes were Holmberg, Delzer, Jaeger, Wardner, Carlson, and Dalrymple. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary of State
Secretary to Emergency Commission