

**EMERGENCY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Monday, December 6, 2021, 3:00 p.m.**  
**State Capitol, Fort Totten Room**  
**600 East Boulevard Avenue**  
**Bismarck ND 58505**

**MINUTES**

Members present were Governor Doug Burgum and Secretary of State Al Jaeger. Members present via Microsoft Teams were Senator Rich Wardner, Representative Chet Pollert, Senator Ray Holmberg and Representative Jeff Delzer.

Governor Burgum called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**1. North Dakota Highway Patrol \* (Request # 2049)**

Request spending authority to expend \$66,431.05 from the Motor Carrier Electronic Permit Transaction Fund to pay invoices received after the end of the 2019/2021 biennium related to the addition of an indoor shooting range to the Law Enforcement Training Academy as authorized in Sections 2 and 5 of HB 1011 adopted by the 2019 Legislative Assembly (2019 Session Laws, Chapter 11).

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

**2. State Historical Society \* (Request # 2050)**

Request increased spending authority of \$75,000 in other funds for the operating line (\$75,000) to accept federal American Rescue Plan Act funds being provided by Humanities North Dakota, an independent nonprofit organization, for the general support of the agency's historic sites.

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

**3. Office of Management and Budget \* (Request # 2051)**

Request increased spending authority to extend into the 2021/2023 biennium the remaining federal funds of \$1,167,468 granted to state educational institutions to allow them to complete COVID-19 related projects and programs. The initial grant funding of \$5,932,707 was received in 2020 from the U.S. Department of Education as authorized by the CARES Act for the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER) and as approved by the Emergency Commission on August 3, 2020 (Request # 2004) and the Legislative Budget Section on August 13, 2020.

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

**4. Department of Environmental Quality \* (Request # 2052)**

Request increased spending authority to accept \$1,200,000 in pass-through federal grant funds from the North Dakota Department of Health for the operating line (\$1,200,000) for defraying the expenses of wastewater testing for the presence of COVID-19 and possible variants according to the Legislative Intent in SB 2024, Section 6 (2021 Session Laws, Chapter 52).

Senator Holmberg moved to approve the request. Senator Wardner seconded the motion. Voting yes were Wardner, Pollert, Holmberg, Jaeger, and Burgum. Voting no was Delzer. Motion carried.

**5. Department of Environmental Quality \* (Request # 2053 – revised 12/1/21)**

Request increased spending authority to expend \$2,056,000 in other funds (Volkswagen Settlement) for the grants line (\$2,056,000) for competitive application grant rebates for reducing NOx emissions for large trucks, buses, and medium trucks and to provide electric vehicle charging stations. NOTE: The spending authority of \$4,485,000 referenced in subject request for the current biennium is footnoted in the Senate Amendment to SB 2024 (Senate Journal, February 12, 2021, page 522).

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

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Alvin A Jaeger  
Secretary of State  
Secretary to the Emergency Commission.