



## Meeting Minutes

12/20/2021 - Minutes

1. Approval Of Minutes

Kate Herzog made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Bill Dean seconded. All voted aye. M/C

2. Welcome And Introductions

3. Overview Of Fees And Specials For Political Subdivisions

Dmitriy Chernyak, City Finance Director, gave an overview of mill Levies for specials for political subdivisions. He stated no political subdivision would be able to use the special assessment mill levy to pay for the utility fee, because it would not be allowed under the ND Century Code which includes political subdivisions such as City of Bismarck, Burleigh County, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District, and Bismarck Public Schools. Bismarck Parks and Recreation District could sustain a street maintenance utility fee that would be reasonable within their existing budget. However, Bismarck Public Schools would not be able to afford the utility fee, because it would impact their budget for community growth based on the current school district funding formula set by NDCC. The City of Bismarck and Burleigh County would have to increase revenues through general fund property taxes or fees in order to absorb the street utility fee. Some suggestions were made that the amount should be reduced that would be charged to these entities. It was suggested that we should spread these costs across property owners, both residential and commercial, instead of charging these political subdivisions that turn around and charge the property owners either way. Commissioner Guy suggested that the task force should go to the state and request that political subdivisions should be allowed to special assess for the street maintenance utility fee.

4. Review Consensus Points And Fee Models

Commissioner Guy gave an overview of Kevin Stregre's and David Witham's commercial propositions. She showed the items that were different and those that overlapped.

[HTTPS://BISMARCKND.GOV/DOCUMENTCENTER/VIEW/38935/SATF-CONSENSUS-REVIEW-122021](https://bismarcknd.gov/documentcenter/view/38935/satf-consensus-review-122021)

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