January 14, 2021

The regular meeting of the State Banking Board was held in the Office of the Commissioner, Department of Financial Institutions, 2000 Schafer Street, Suite G, Bismarck, North Dakota. The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams. Chair Kruse called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, January 14, 2021 by conference call.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lise Kruse, Chair
Linda Beall, Member
Todd Heilman, Member
Pete Jahner, Member
John Schmid, Member
Tom Stennes, Member
Pao-Yueh (Claudia) Schollmeyer

ALSO PRESENT: Corey Krebs, Secretary
Ryan Spah, Chief Examiner – Banks
Angie Mills Fischer, Review Examiner
Megan Sauer, Administrative Examiner
Dean DePountis, Assistant Attorney General
Pete Anderson, KodaBank
Paul Sirek, Eide Bailly,
Jill Schneider, Eide Bailly

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Kruse indicated the Board received copies of the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 2, 2020.
It was moved by Member Schmid, seconded by Member Heilman, and carried by a vote of 7 to 0 to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 2, 2020.

APPLICATION FOR BANK OF HAMILTON, HAMILTON, ND, TO MERGE WITH AND INTO KODABANK, DRAYTON, ND.

Chief Examiner Spah reviewed the memorandum. The request was received on December 8, 2020.

There were no additional comments or questions from the Board.

Chief Examiner Spah stated it is the recommendation of the Department that the merger application be approved, and that the Commissioner be authorized to sign the proposed Order on behalf of the Board.

It was moved by Member Stennes, seconded by Member Jahner, and carried by a vote of 7 to 0 to approve the application for KodaBank, Drayton, to merge Bank of Hamilton, Hamilton, into KodaBank.

Pete Anderson left the meeting.

APPLICATION FOR RETROACTIVE CHANGE OF CONTROL FOR STEVEN AND LAUREL KLEFSTAD TO RETAIN VOTING SHARES FOR NAPOLEON BANCORPORATION, INC., NAPOLEON, ND, AND THEREBY REMAIN MEMBERS OF THE MCLAEN FAMILY SHAREHOLDER GROUP, A GROUP ACTING IN CONCERT, WHICH CONTROLS NAPOLEON BANCORPORATION, INC., WHICH CONTROLS 100% OF THE STOCK GROWERS BANK, FORMAN, ND.

Chief Examiner Spah reviewed the memorandum. The request was received on December 14, 2020 and deemed complete on December 21, 2020.

There were no questions from the Board.
Chief Examiner Spah stated it is the recommendation of the Department that the merger application be approved, and that the Commissioner be authorized to sign the proposed Order on behalf of the Board.

It was moved by Member Heilman, seconded by Member Schmid, and carried by a vote of 7 to 0 to approve the application for retroactive change of control for Steven and Laurel Klefstad to retain voting shares for Napoleon Bancorporation, Inc., Napoleon, and thereby remain members of the McLaen Family Shareholder Group, a group acting in concert, which controls Napoleon Bancorporation, Inc., which controls 100% of the Stock Growers Bank, Forman.

Paul Sirek and Jill Schneider left the meeting.

ITEMS TO BE NOTED

Chair Kruse gave an overview of approvals that were done by the Commissioner since the last State Banking Board meeting. Bell Bank established LPOs located at 12760 Aberdeen Street NE, Blaine, MN and 11671 Fountains Drive, Ste 200, Maple Grove, MN. NPT Charitable Asset Trust and NYDIG Trust Company LLC requested to use the word “trust” in the registered trade names of the businesses. Roddy Banks, LLC requested to use the word “bank” in the registered trade name of the business.

Chair Kruse went over the status of bills or studies going through the legislature that may affect the Department.

BANK BUDGET UPDATE

Assistant Commissioner Krebs gave an overview of the information presented on the Department’s budget at each meeting for new Board Member Schollmeyer. He stated the Department budget, and what is remaining for the biennium is tracking well within budget.

It was moved by Member Beall, seconded by Member Heilman, and carried by a vote of 7 to 0 to adjourn to executive session.
The Board went into closed session at 9:58 a.m. to review the Supervisory Reports of Examination pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 6-01-07.0, and to discuss any confidential records pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 44-04-19.2, and returned to open session at 10:27 a.m. Those that were present during the executive session were Chair Kruse, Member Beall, Member Heilman, Member Schmid, Member Stennes, Member Jahner, Member Schollmeyer, Corey Krebs, Ryan Spah, Angie Mills Fischer, Megan Sauer, and Dean DePountis.

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Lise Kruse, Chair                              Corey Krebs, Secretary