The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Lysle Coleman, Don Wehlander, W.E. Smith, Ray Brockman and Steve Wyum. Absent none.

Sparky Engquist, Vice-Chairman, SC Personnel Board, recommended that the Inhome care specialist position with Social Services be reclassified from Grade 4 to Grade 5 Step 2. The state has compressed several job descriptions, which increases the minimum. Approve recommendation. (Wehlander/Wyum, unanimous)

Arlen Hanson appeared before the Board regarding 2 abatements on SE1/4-1 and NE1/4-12-131-57. Harlem Township approved the abatements. Concur with the township due to parcels being unintentionally overlooked by County Tax Director. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous)

Approve one step increase for full-time and part-time employees not at midpoint, who have met the requirements of their job and are not on probationary status. (Wyum/Wehlander. Aye: Wyum & Wehlander. Nay: Smith, Brockman & Coleman. Motion defeated)

Sandy Hanson and Julie Hassebroek, SC Fairboard, met with the Board to discuss the 1999 fair. The financial report has a balance of \$11,930. Sandy reported that other Fairboard members were unable to attend this meeting because of their jobs. Discussed projects that are being considered for 2000.

Julie Hassebroek presented upcoming educational opportunities through the extension department and discussed the secretarial position. Julie asked permission to attend a Beef Industry Tour in Kansas and Nebraska February 7-9. Approve out-of-state travel not to exceed \$200. (Wehlander/Smith, unanimous)

Donald D. Larson, Gwinner submitted an application for abatement on Lot 4, Block 3, Klykken's Add., Gwinner City to remove the structure assessment. The Gwinner City Council approved the application. Concur with the city. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous)

Colleen Sundquist and Sandy Hanson met with the Board to discuss computer hook-up for Internet and e-mail. The present service to the Health Department will be discontinued March 1st. They pay a monthly line charge and access charge for e-mail. The cost for hook-up is \$45/hour plus mileage and Ethernet cards. According to information from the NDACo, the hub for Sargent County has 8 available hook-ups. Approve Health Department connection to the hub at a cost of \$40/month and no charge for installation. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous) Colleen informed the Board that they would like 3 of the 8 remaining connections. Withdraw motion and second and obtain more information on the status of the hub. A recommendation that all departments be contacted asking how many lines they have in their office, number of e-mail addresses and anticipated new lines needed in the future. The Board will review this information on February 1 and make a decision. Bill Smith will talk to Chuck Gates for information on the county computer systems.

Approve January 4, 2000 minutes. (Wehlander/Brockman, unanimous)

Approve QuitClaim Deed to Scott Lunneborg, 4017 37th Ave SW, Mandan, ND for the South twenty-five (25) feet of Lot 7, Block 2, Original Add., Village of DeLamere. (Brockman/Wehlander, unanimous)

Approve Permit 02-00 to Cogswell Gun Club for a raffle on 9-10-00 at the Cogswell Trap Grounds. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous)

Damon DeVillers, Randy Pope and Malcolm Tonneson, Interstate Eng., Inc., Sparky Engquist and Sandy Hanson met with the Board. Interstate Eng., Inc. did a presentation on the roadway inventory and data establishment systems available for the county. This system would keep track of roadways, bridges, signs, culverts, soil types, ground water, wetlands and many other statistics. Start-up costs would include network licensing for software and updating some computer systems. Additional costs would depend on what applications the county wants on the system. Appoint a committee to discuss the needs of the county. Committee will include Road commissioner, auditor, computer coordinator, EMS/911 coordinator and road supervisor. A meeting was scheduled for January 26th at 9:00 a.m.

Sparky Engquist discussed road department projects including problems with trees hanging over roadway, equipment repairs and attending the $50^{\rm th}$ Annual NDACE Institute in Fargo January 26-28, 2000. He recommended placement of a 36" squash culvert between Section 1 & 2 Kingston Township as per the Water Board request. Approve recommendation. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Norm Preble, Tax Director, presented information on the 1999 ag value. Preliminary estimates reveal an increase in both agricultural value and residential value.

Approve payment of the following bills and January payroll in the sum of \$69,785.98. (Smith/Wehlander, unanimous)

Social Service expenditures	Q-11h	8871.92 26.89
38284 Airtouch 38285 Amoco	Cell phone Travel	26.89 30.56
38286 B & K Electric	Bulbs	194.40
38287 Barnes County	Prisoner Board	90.00
38288 Buhl's	Cleaning services	141.94
38289 Capitol Trophy	Supplies	39.00
38290 Chunky's	Travel	224.00
38291 Lysle Coleman	Travel	62.00
38292 Country Partners Coop	Travel	35.19
38293 Dacotah Paper	Supplies	38.74
38294 Dyste's	Supplies	4.69
38295 Empire Feed & Grain	Coal & Salt	1394.66
38296 Farmers Union Oil 38297 Forman Drug	Gas, fuel & repairs	1718.82 12.72
38297 Forman Drug 38298 Hardware Hank	Supplies Supplies	31.12
38299 ITD	56K connection	209.80
38300 Lexis Publishing	NDCC	118.73
38301 Long Island Production	SARA	114.90
38302 Pam Maloney	Travel	50.00
38303 Martinsen's	Supplies	135.71
38304 McKeever's	Supplies	9.68
38305 MicroAge Computer	Equipment	1659.37
38306 Minn-kota Communications	Mobile Phone rent	480.00
38307 NDAAO	Registration	30.00
38308 NDACo	UCC mtc, Dues & D & A Testin	
38309 NDACo	Worker's Comp. Premium	14903.53
38310 ND Dept. of Corrections	Parole & Probation	900.00
38311 ND Register of Deeds	Dues	60.00
38312 ND State Radio	Teletype & 911	1485.20
38313 ND State's Atty. Ass'n 38314 NW Iron Firemen Inc.	Dues	250.00 150.07
38315 Oakes Comm. Hospital	Furnace repairs ER	36.70
38316 Officeland	Supplies	482.08
38317 Reardon Office	Copier Mtc.	265.00
38318 Rhodes, Shanley Assoc.	Job Description review	202.50
38319 Richland Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	400.00
38320 SC Treas.	Sp. Assessments	328.02
38321 SEL Lumber	Repairs	701.50
38322 SE Crime Conf.	Dues	10.00
38323 Stein's Inc.	Rustoscale	179.00
38324 Tayer Plumbing	Fairground mtc.	59.50
38325 The Teller	Publishing fees	244.89
38326 Valley Ford	Repairs	108.75
38327 Viking	Supplies	205.85
38328 Butler Machinery 38329 CA Contractor	Repairs Tools	9408.65 75.00
38330 Crandall Const.	Gravel & loader work	15262.95
38331 Farm Plan	Repairs	84.90
38332 Forman Repair	Repairs	5.65
38333 General Equipment	Cutting edges	1887.00
38334 Arlen Hanson	Equipment rental	879.00
38335 Josh Hanson	Equipment rental	879.00
38336 Loren Hanson	Equipment rental	879.00
38337 Mark Hanson	Equipment rental	879.00
38338 Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson	Bridge 132-10	1894.20
38339 Kustom Machine Inc.	Repairs	56.84
38340 NDACE	Registration	185.00
38341 Nelson International	Repairs	15.64
38342 Northern Tool & Equip. 38343 RDO Equip.	Repairs Repairs	880.84 611.10
38344 SC Auto Parts	Repairs	270.78
38345 Sturdevant's Inc.	Repairs	7.14
38346 Zep Mfg. Co.	Supplies	22.08
38349 CPU	Purchase of AS400 services	10396.25
38350 Crandall Const.	Wing assembly & transporting	
38351 Dickey Rural Telephone	911	402.50
38353 Sandra Hanson	Supplies	31.94
38354 Interstate Engineering	Road projects	3502.79
38355 LARC	2000 support	1500.00
38356 NACo	Dues	360.00
38357 NDCCA	Dues	775.00
38358 NDDHS	MC & FC	1286.57
38359 ND Division of Comm. Service		1839.08
38361 NDVSO	Dues	40.00

38362 NDAEA 38363 Officeland 38364 SENDCCA 38366 US West 38367 United Vision Products	Dues Supplies Dues 911 Letterboard	45.00 110.40 200.00 295.14 372.92
Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.		
	LYSLE COLEMAN - CHAIRMAN	
ATTEST:		

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR