

Forman, North Dakota  
January 19, 1999

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

Steve Wyum updated the Board on 1999 Legislative activities, including: wireless 911, salary bill, delinquent property tax bill, technology levy, game and fish commission, clerk of courts, gas tax, co. supt. of schools and highway patrol fund. Steve serves as a NDCCA Legislative Committee member.

Randy Pope, Damon DeVillers and Sparky Engquist met with the Board. The engineers presented the concept report for bituminous surfacing of Co # 10 from State Hwy 13 south to Co. # 1 and from Co # 3 south to Co # 5. Preliminary estimates are \$1,240,000. Discussed materials, approaches and culvert replacement. Instructed Auditor to call for sealed bids on this project. Bids shall be opened on March 22, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Rutland City approved abatement from Lowell Sjothun, Jr. requesting residential value for 1998 be reduced from \$7882 to \$2000. Concur with city. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous)

Deb Kerlin arrived at the meeting.

Marian Millerhagen, Project Director, Ransom-Sargent Senior Services, presented a recap of services in 1998. She also informed the Board the state is looking at open bidding for services by 2000. No regulations are available at this time. She fears the smaller counties will take some cuts. It is vital to Sargent County to keep all the programs. She asked the Board for their support and the Board agreed to contact Aging Service at the Dept. of Human Services.

Ron Narum, SC Weed Board, met with the Board to get information on the SC Pay plan. Gina Hillestad explained the new plan.

Mr. Narum asked about road projects north and south of Rutland City. He requested that rumble strips be installed to slow down the traffic through the city. Approve rumble strips in conjunction with the new road construction after consultation with the engineers and road supervisor. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

The Historical Society may be adding on to the new museum. Plans are to remove the old structure and add on a 60-foot by 124-foot building. Money will be donated for the new construction. The society would like to increase the .25 mill levy to .75. to offset the increased cost of maintenance. This needs to be voted on by the residents of the county. The next election would be June 2000.

Approve minutes of the last meeting. (Brockman/Coleman, unanimous)

Approve December 1998 financial statement. (Wehlander/Wyum, unanimous)

Roger White stopped at the meeting to discuss drain assessments.

Approve Amendment to the Register of Deeds Service Agreement to operate the UCC/CNS program. (Coleman/Brockman, unanimous)

Appoint Lysle Coleman to serve on the Dickey-Sargent Housing Authority. (Brockman/Wehlander, unanimous)

Appoint Ray Brockman to the Lake Agassiz Regional Council Board of Directors. (Wyum/Coleman, unanimous)

Appoint Ray Brockman to the SC Planning Commission. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Les Bjore, Norm Preble and Sandy Hanson met with the Board to discuss the elevator project. Mr. Bjore updated those in attendance on the schedule of the building project. The masonry will be completed by February 27 and they would start cutting holes into the courthouse on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Sandy and Norm will be relocated by that date.

Sparky met with the Board to discuss several road department issues including bridge replacement, truck overhaul, new pickup, replacing signs, secretary job description, ER project paper work, addition to the county shop.

Barry Schuchard and Kris Bakkegard, Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson arrived at the meeting with the plan and profile for Bridge No. 132-10. This includes realigning the roadway. The adjacent landowners will be invited to the February 23 meeting to discuss easements.

Change second meeting in February to February 23, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. (Brockman/Coleman, unanimous)

Approve Encroachment and Crossing Permit to grant permission to Ransom-Sargent Water Users, Inc. to install on the county road right-of-way at several locations throughout the county and as shown on maps. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Approve agreement for political subdivision's connectivity to the North Dakota Information Network. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous)

Approve Games of Chance Permit No. 99-03 to the Cogswell Gun Club for a raffle on September 12, 1999. (Wehlander/Coleman, unanimous)

Donna Eklund, Jerry Arneson and Marla Bopp, Sargent County Ambulance-Forman Squad met with the Board to introduce Marla as the new squad leader. Donna explained a pilot project that the state is sponsoring for 20 ambulance services to participate in for one year. All trip tickets would be sent to a professional ambulance billing service and they would submit for collection on behalf of the ambulance service. The \$10 charge per claim will be paid by the state. The ambulance service must have 90% of their runs in North Dakota and have an e-mail address. The Forman Squad has applied for this pilot project. Discussed relocating the ambulance and suggested several locations. Members present will prepare specifications on size, location and other features necessary in the building and present to the commission for their consideration.

Approve payment of the following bills and January payroll in the sum of \$63,172.20. (Wyum/Coleman, unanimous)

|                                  |                                    |          |
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| 35778 City of Forman             | Water, sewer & garbage             | 185.40   |
| 35782 Meyer Tractor Service      | 4020 engine                        | 2500.00  |
| Social Service expenses          |                                    | 5723.65  |
| 35874 Airtouch                   | Cell phone                         | 32.11    |
| 35875 Amoco                      | Gasoline                           | 24.29    |
| 35876 Bruce Bueling              | Witness fee                        | 56.00    |
| 35877 Buhl's                     | Cleaning service                   | 164.38   |
| 35878 Burnie's                   | Binders, sheets, books             | 546.81   |
| 35879 Cogswell Community Ass'n   | Election rental                    | 50.00    |
| 35880 Lysle Coleman              | Travel                             | 72.75    |
| 35881 Dacotah Paper Co.          | Supplies & paper                   | 299.13   |
| 35882 Dyste's                    | Supplies                           | 42.41    |
| 35883 Farmers Union Oil Co.      | Gas & repairs                      | 818.54   |
| 35884 City of Forman             | Sidewalk replacement               | 521.00   |
| 35885 Forman Drug                | Supplies                           | 6.66     |
| 35886 Sandra Hanson              | Travel & lodging                   | 202.76   |
| 35887 Haroldson Office           | Stepstool                          | 50.28    |
| 35888 Hardware Hank              | Supplies                           | 46.55    |
| 35889 Gina Hillestad             | Travel                             | 110.00   |
| 35890 ISD                        | 56K connection                     | 131.13   |
| 35891 Jim's Oil                  | Maintenance & repairs              | 79.66    |
| 35892 Martinsen Home Center      | Repairs                            | 271.97   |
| 35893 McKeever Super Valu        | HBA                                | 22.37    |
| 35894 McLaen Service             | 95 Ford repairs                    | 129.56   |
| 35895 Mary Miller                | Guardian ad litem                  | 46.55    |
| 35896 Minn-kota Communications   | Mobile phone rent and repairs      | 503.00   |
| 35897 Larry Nelson               | Labor                              | 150.00   |
| 35898 ND Ass'n of Cos.           | ROD contract, dues, Worker's Comp. | 18006.72 |
| 35899 Dept. of Corrections       | Parole & Probation                 | 900.00   |
| 35900 ND ROD Ass'n               | 1999 Dues                          | 60.00    |
| 35901 ND States Attorney's Ass'n | 1999 Dues                          | 225.00   |
| 35902 Officeland                 | Supplies                           | 109.03   |
| 35903 Quill Corp.                | Supplies                           | 32.04    |
| 35904 Reardon Office Equipment   | Copier maintenance                 | 255.00   |
| 35905 Richland Co. Corrections   | Prisoner Board                     | 1960.00  |
| 35906 Safetec                    | Treas. Safe agreement              | 155.00   |
| 35907 SC Treas.                  | Taxes                              | 333.04   |
| 35908 SEL Lumber Inc.            | Repairs                            | 62.83    |
| 35909 Stein's Inc.               | Supplies                           | 118.54   |
| 35910 Streicher's                | Equipment                          | 767.60   |
| 35911 The Teller                 | Publishing fees                    | 229.36   |
| 35912 Uniforms Unlimited         | Uniforms & equipment               | 142.95   |
| 35913 Viking Office              | Supplies                           | 218.14   |
| 35914 WearGuard                  | Equipment                          | 146.83   |
| 35915 Steven Wyum                | Travel                             | 45.00    |
| 35916 Empire Feed & Grain Inc.   | 25.86 ton coal                     | 1354.24  |
| 37917 Travis Paeper              | Prisoner meal                      | 3.83     |
| 35918 AW Diesel Service          | Repairs 108                        | 9.48     |
| 35919 Bear Creek Gravel          | Co. # 2 gravel                     | 4054.89  |
| 35920 Bernard Mahrer Const.      | Co. # 1, 2, & 3                    | 6785.28  |
| 35921 Brampton Farm Service      | Fuel                               | 151.45   |
| 35922 Butler Machinery           | Repairs                            | 297.08   |
| 35923 CAMAS                      | Blotter sand                       | 399.03   |
| 35924 Crandall Const.            | Co. # 3 & 10A                      | 2626.40  |
| 35925 Economy Oil Co.            | Gas & fuel                         | 963.12   |
| 35926 Ekstrom Repair             | Equipment repairs                  | 5233.41  |

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| 35927 | Forman Auto Parts             | Repairs                       | 115.49  |
| 35928 | Johnston-Fargo Culverts       | Culverts                      | 1959.00 |
| 35929 | Nelson International          | Repairs                       | 169.61  |
| 35930 | Northern Tool & Equipment     | Lights                        | 23.27   |
| 35931 | Ray-Mac Inc.                  | Repairs                       | 51.12   |
| 35933 | Sturdevant's Inc.             | Repairs                       | 6.37    |
| 35934 | Sundale Hutterian Ass'n       | Replacing culverts & cleaning | 4750.00 |
| 35935 | Team Laboratory Chemical      | Road patch                    | 558.56  |
| 35936 | Dickey Rural Telephone        | 911                           | 366.50  |
| 35937 | Interstate Eng.               | CER 4111(57)                  | 3920.72 |
| 35938 | Lake Agassiz Regional Council | 1999 pledge                   | 1500.00 |
| 35939 | National Ass'n of Cos.        | 1999 Dues                     | 360.00  |
| 35940 | ND CCA                        | 1999 Dues                     | 775.00  |
| 35941 | ND Dept. of HS                | MA & FC                       | 1199.82 |
| 35942 | NDSU                          | Supplies                      | 90.90   |
| 35943 | ND VSO Ass'n                  | 1999 Dues                     | 30.00   |
| 35944 | US West Communications        | 911                           | 298.08  |
| 35945 | Wayne Trophies                | Plaque                        | 29.00   |
| 35947 | Dickey Rural Comm.            | Telephone                     | 526.94  |
| 35948 | RDO Equipment                 | Repairs                       | 515.05  |
| 35949 | US Link                       | Telephone                     | 383.71  |
| 35959 | Leslie E. Bjore               | Elevator project              | 1208.40 |
| 35960 | Comstock Construction Inc.    | Elevator project              | 9720.00 |
| 35961 | Northern Escrow, Inc.         | Elevator project              | 7920.00 |
| 35962 | Richland Electric             | Elevator project              | 2500.00 |

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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W.E. SMITH, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD, COUNTY AUDITOR