

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9 a.m. with the following members present: Maurice Orn, Jerry Waswick, Steve Wyum, Bill Anderson and Mike Walstead. Absent: none

Approve October 2, 2007 minutes as corrected. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous)

Approve out of state travel for Wendy Jacobson, Human Service Director to attend Red River Valley Substance Abuse Prevention Conference in Moorhead, MN on October 18, 2007. (Orn/Waswick, unanimous)

Approve October payroll in the sum of \$130,287.54 (#'s 1182-1251 & 58144-58154) and all bills presented with the exception of Ramkota Hotel pending correction of the bill. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous)

57960-57962 Homeland Security Grants		40748.60
57963 ND Dept. of Insurance	Premium	39.78
57964 Nick of Time	HS Grant	1325.00
57965 Ottertail Power Co.	Electricity	761.12
57966 & 57968 Homeland Security Grants		3279.95
57967 & 57969-57976 Health District Expenditures		687.76
57977-57978 Homeland Security Grants		1119.98
57979 Health District Expenditures		71.04
57980-57982 Homeland Security Grants		2258.03
57983 & 57985-57987 Health District Expenditures		5638.87
57984 & 57988 Homeland Security Grants		1800.00
57990 Homeland Security Grants		1448.35
57995 City of Forman	Water, sewer & garbage	309.45
58001-58004 Hazard Material Preparedness expenditures		4832.96
58005 Homeland Security Grants		110.03
58006 Nick of Time	Planning and supplies	2250.00
58007 Brenda Peterson	Homeland Security Grants	500.00
58008 Prairie Printing & Computer Express	HMEP Grant	3370.00
58009 Quill	HMEP Grant	316.80
58012-58025 Human Service Expenditures		13017.68
58026 Alltel	Sheriff's Dept. cell phone	129.69
58027 American Solutions	1099 forms	26.09
58028 B & K Electric	Photo eye	62.50
58029 Brian's Repair & Auto Parts	Car servicing & tires	616.10
58030 Scott Buckhouse	Registration	10.00
58031 Buhl's	Cleaning service	151.04
58032 Chunky's Standard Service	Battery & repairs	169.00
58033 DRN	Phone service	752.03
58034 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas, fuel and repairs	8978.84
58035 Gwinner One Stop	Gas	101.58
58036 Sandra Hanson	Travel & cell phone	204.72
58037 Hardware Hank	Repairs	54.26
58038 Gina Hillestad	Travel	185.96
58039 Sherry Hosford	Travel	230.20
58040 Don R. Krassin	Court appointed attorney	56.00
58041 Lexis Nexis	Printing	46.25
58042 Martinsen's	Supplies	97.10
58043 Mid-states Wireless Inc.	Charger	45.50
58044 ND State Radio Communications	Teletype rental	120.00
58045 NDACo	Labels	105.80
58046 Office Depot	Supplies	56.99
58047 Officeland	Supplies	23.38
58048 Quill	Supplies	63.96
58049 Ramkota Hotel	Lodging	825.00
58050 Reardon Office Equipment	Supplies	61.68
58051 Roger's Plumbing	Sewer machine & labor	180.00
58052 SE Fraternal Order of Police	Dues	70.00
58053 SEL Lumber	Repairs	3.55
58054 Lacey Severson	Travel	324.00
58055 Stein's Inc.	Supplies	253.47
58056 The Teller	Publishing fees	200.26
58057 Michael Walstead	Travel	207.90

58058 Jerry Waswick	Travel	36.00
58059 Wear Guard	Uniforms	103.13
58060 Workforce Safety & Ins.	Premium	140.40
58061 Steve Wyum	Travel	282.33
58062 Arrowhead Transport	Gravel	7602.60
58063 Atco International	Supplies	300.00
58064 Bernard Mahrer Const.	Gravel & Mix	6707.50
58065 Bohnenkamp	Fuel surcharge	820.00
58066 Dyste's	Supplies	12.33
58067 Ekstrom Repair	Repairs	1615.49
58068 Flint Hills Resources	Demurrage fee	330.00
58069 Forman Repair	Repairs	10.00
58070 The Home Shop	Medical supplies	104.35
58071 Interstate Eng.	Road & Bridge services	9778.50
58072 Johnston Fargo Culvert	Culverts	13356.83
58073 Minnkota Communications	Radios	3421.30
58074 Nelson International	Repairs	57.34
58075 Ray-Mac Inc.	Repairs	145.84
58076 Roger's Plumbing	Repairs	59.90
58077 Wallwork Truck Center	Repairs	514.79
58078 Zep Mfg. Co.	Repairs	117.73
58079 BW Fargo Doublewood	Lodging	55.00
58080 CPU	Data Processing Charges	971.22
58082 Lisa Dawson	Travel	54.30
58083 DRT	911 Contracts	303.00
58084 Great North American Cos.	DARE supplies	191.03
58085 Sandra Hanson	Travel	120.35
58086 Julie Hassebroek	Travel	261.90
58087 ITD	LERMS and Wan access	526.00
58088 Minnkota	Homeland Security Grants	1570.00
58089 NDACo	Travel & 911 wireless fees	1853.80
58090 ND State Radio	911 contracts	2626.20
58091 NDSU	Equipment	580.39
58092 NDSU Extension Service	Salaries and travel	12933.00
58093 Official Payments Corp.	Website fees	165.00
58094 Norm Preble	Travel	123.00
58095 Qwest	911 contracts	191.88
58096 Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	45.00
58097-58109 Health District Expenditures		5795.49
58110-58123 Weed Board Expenditures		2731.91

Grant permission to the County Treasurer's Office to write off five uncashed checks that are more than two years old. (Check no. 26153, dated 12/29/04 to Karen Holt for \$60.00, No. 26308, dated 6/9/05 to Jacob Stohr for \$5.00, No. 26323, dated 6/30/05 to Valley Title & Escrow for \$21.00, No. 51788, dated 3/22/05 to KW Service & Supply for \$25.62 & No. 52413, dated 6/15/05 to Sandy Haase for \$50.00. (Walstead/Orn, unanimous)

Norm Preble, Tax Director, met with the Board to set appraisal valuations on county lands and lots forfeited to Sargent County for non-payment of taxes. Motion to approve appraisals. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous) A list of property and appraisals will be posted at the front door of the Courthouse on November 6, 2007. According to law, the time for hearing objections to the minimum sales price agreed upon was set for 10:30 a.m. on November 6, 2007. Discussed the property located in Cayuga owned by Rutland-Havana Farmers Co-Op Elevator Company. Motion to direct the county auditor not to proceed with a tax deed for Parcel No. 30-9267000 (42,120 Sq. ft) (Wyum/Orn, unanimous).

Sandy Hanson, EMS/911 coordinator met with the Board. Norm Preble, Tax Director/VSO was also present. Sandy explained the workshop she attended in Bismarck last week on vendors selling their products for soil classification certification. Most of the vendors will work with the county and do the training and assist with the certification. Others will do the entire process and the county would lease the information year by year and access it in the county. There are many options available but it still is up to Sargent County how much information they want to acquire. She suggested appointing a soils committee from the county including township supervisors, assessors from the townships, NRCS employees and the Tax Director. Norm Preble commented that until the state determines what the guidelines are for this process, there isn't much the county can do at this time. Sandy commented that vendors suggested completing the parceling, determining the land use, defining the modifiers and finally classifying the soils. Other options were discussed regarding job transfer/sharing. After a

lengthy discussion, Board members decided to meet with both Sandy and Norm on November 6<sup>th</sup> to further discuss this project.

Sandy Hanson reported on funding available from Homeland Security and the decrease in Homeland Security funding from the preceding year. She indicated that Sargent County will be pursuing the acquisition of a mobile command unit properly equipped for use in emergency situations.

Sparky Engquist, road supervisor, met with the Board to discuss road department issues. He updated the Board that work on County # 7 will be completed today. It has been widened and has a decent crown and has received good reviews from the local residents. He reported that the culverts on County #4 near Cogswell had been located and the silt cleared, allowing the water to equalize on both sides of the road. He also discussed the condition of County road #3 east of Rutland and repair plans to deal with soft spots and washboard conditions.

Appoint Jerry Waswick as a delegate to the North Dakota State Fair Association to attend the annual meeting in Minot on November 14. (Orn/Wyum, unanimous)

In response to a query from the Auditor's Office, the Board discussed changing the payday date from the fourth Wednesday to the fourth Friday to allow more time for processing the direct deposit. In response to a query from the Social Services Director, the Board also discussed courthouse hours on the Christmas Eve holiday on Monday December 24. The Board referred both items to the Personnel Board for its consideration and recommendation.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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BILL ANDERSON – CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR