

Forman, North Dakota
October 17, 2006

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Bill Anderson, Steve Wyum, Mike Walstead, Maurice Orn and Jerry Waswick. Absent none.

Approve October 3, 2006 minutes as corrected. (Orn/Anderson, unanimous) Board members also received a copy of the September 2006 financial statement.

The Board proceeded to review bills. Approve payment of the following bills and October payroll in the sum of \$123,549.86. (#55884-55948) (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous)

55755-55768 Health District Expenditures		3518.79
55679 Otter Tail Power Co.	Electricity	950.05
55770 City of Forman	Utilities	442.25
55780-55785 Health District Expenditures		1369.12
55789-55805 Human Service Expenditures		24820.13
55806 Alltell	Sheriff's Cell phone	136.65
55807 American Solutions	1099 forms	20.75
55808 BP Amoco	Sheriff travel	68.00
55809 Brian's Repair & Auto Parts	Vehicle service	79.00
55810 Buhl's	Cleaning service	78.95
55811 Case & Bopp Law Office	Rent and cell phone	411.98
55812 Chunky's Standard	Vehicle service	59.00
55813 DRTC	Phone service	574.16
55814 Dyste's	Supplies	15.61
55815 Expressway Inn	Treasurer lodging	149.85
55816 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas and supplies	1004.39
55817 Gall's	Uniforms	258.65
55818 Gwinner One Stop Inc.	Gas	159.30
55819 Hardware Hank	Supplies	291.41
55820 Gina Hillestad	Travel	163.80
55821 Sherry Hosford	Travel	112.75
55822 J & M Printing	Envelopes	189.46
55823 Lorraine Jacobson	Coroner travel	354.90
55824 Lexis Nexis	Printing fees	53.60
55825 Martinsen's	Supplies	32.46
55826 McLeod USA	Long distance phone calls	161.85
55827 Minnkota Communications	Equipment	50.00
55828 ND State Radio Communications	Teletype	120.00
55829 ND State Treasurer	2005 audit fee	6300.00
55830 Nick of Time	Wildfire Plan	3000.00
55831 Office Depot	Office supplies	289.86
55832 Officeland	Office supplies	67.64
55833 Ramkota	Auditor lodging	150.00
55834 SC Treasurer	Postage & envelope reimbursement	2834.19
55835 SE FOP Lodge # 6	Dues	105.00
55836 Stein's Inc.	Paper supplies	213.61
55837 The Teller	Publishing fees	438.64
55838 Wilkin County Sheriff's Office	Service fee	35.00
55839 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	46.65
55840 Arrowhead Transport	Gravel	197.00
55841 Atco	Repairs	140.00
55842 Bernard Mahrer Construction	Milled blacktopping	2767.13
55843 Bowes Construction Inc.	Co. # 1 & 7 processing	41536.00
55844 Crandall Construction	Gravel	27288.88
55845 Diesel Machinery Inc.	Repairs	74.04
55846 Economy Oil	Gas & fuel	5858.74
55847 Farm Plan	Repairs and tools	165.33
55848 Flint Hills Resources	Demurrage fee	312.00
55849 Gwinner Oil Bulk	Oil and fluid	1464.35
55850 Kem-Pro Industrial	Wash & Wax	742.47
55851 McLaen's Service	Used tire	155.42
55852 Parts Supply Inc.	Repairs	307.97
55853 Rutland Oil	Gasoline	2607.33
55854 Sturdevant's	Starter	149.51
55855 Sweeney Brothers	Repairs	196.39

55856 Z & S Dust Control	Mag-chloride	4786.16
55857 Barnes County Corrections	Prisoner Board	550.00
55858 CPU	Data processing charges	884.55
55860 DRN	911 Contracts	271.00
55862 Julie Hasebroek	Travel	196.70
55863 Hewlett-Packard Co.	Laser cartridges	558.75
55864 ITD	Wan access and anti-virus protection	406.40
55865 NDACo	911 Wireless	905.20
55866 ND State Radio	911 services	2626.20
55867 NDACo Resource Group	Laser Jet copier (1/2 cost)	2695.00
55868 NDSU Extension	Registration	90.00
55869 NDSU Extension Service	Salaries, taxable meals and employment taxes	12286.50
55870 Norm Preble	Travel	140.50
55871 Qwest	911 contract	287.82
55872 Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	1935.00
55873 Starion Bond Services	Interest and fees	1906.75

Doug Bartels, GIS Coordinator, Richland County, reported on funding available for GIS software and automated flood warning system. Richland County filed an application on behalf of this area and they were informed that no funds are available at this time but they would like to see if any interest is evident for local support for re-application of grant funds. There are three locations on the Wild Rice River that would impact Sargent County and other Water Resource Boards. The gauges that would be placed would be covered by the grant as well as a software package. They would be equipped with several features that are powered by solar energy. If a situation occurs, these gauges will go through a call list and contact individuals that would be involved in an emergency situation. Board members discussed specific locations, cost of the project and recommended that Mr. Bartels visit with the Sargent County Water Board for additional input and support.

Irv Rustad, Lake Agassiz Regional Council met with the Board to explain the various programs that are active with LARC for small business loans. They include Micro Loans (ML), Intermediate Relending Program (IRP) and Community Development Financial Institution Fund (CDFI). Mr. Rustad informed the Board the monies in the CDFI fund might be returned to the county upon a written request. Request the portion of CDFI funds available to Sargent County be returned effective immediately and on an annual basis until repaid. These funds shall be deposited in the Capital Improvement Fund. (Wyum/Orn) Roll call: Aye: Walstead, Orn, Wyum, Anderson and Waswick. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon for lunch.

The Board reconvened at 1:20 p.m.

The Board received copies of the county audit for the year ended December 31, 2005 from the Office of the ND State Auditor.

A credit card policy was prepared as per a recommendation in the state audit for the Sheriff's Dept. After review of the policy by Board members and Travis Paeper, Sheriff, motion to approve and implement the policy effective November 1, 2006. (Walstead/Orn, unanimous)

John Waller, Administrator, Region V Child Support Unit and Wendy Jacobson, Sargent/Ransom County Social Service Director met with the Board. Mr. Waller explained the importance of the child support unit and procedures that are followed to provide the best assistance for this region.

Sparky Engquist, Road Supt. and Mark Breker, Chairman, Water Board met with the Board to discuss the County No. 14 road and Drain No. 3 project. There has been no response from FEMA on an improved project request that was filed in September. There is concern on safety of this roadway and the need to get this work completed before winter. The Board suggests that the Water Board proceed with the project and the road department will do the work. Sparky discussed load restrictions that were discussed at the SE County Commission meeting held on October 6th. There is some problem with uniformity in Sargent County and other area counties and a problem with signing. He will coordinate with other road supervisors in determining the number of signs to order. Sparky asked permission to transfer the computer from the commission room to the highway department for use in inventory of signs, bridges, culverts and GIS. Approved.

Norm Preble, Tax Director was called in the meeting to discuss the appraisal on the Five Star Dairy located in Hall Township. He indicated the ND State Tax Dept. has some concerns with the conditional permit. A phone call was placed to the tax department and Board members asked questions about a payment in lieu of taxes. It was the Board's consensus that Norm Preble, Tax

Director, Hall Township Board of Supervisors and Lyle Bopp, States Attorney should place a call to the state tax department to discuss the appraisal of the dairy operation.

Election worker per diem was reviewed for the upcoming General Election. Approve reimbursement for election workers at \$150 per day if worker attends the training session and \$100 if they do not for the 2006 General Election and future elections unless revised by the commission. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous) Mileage will be paid for officials that return the ballots to the courthouse on election night.

The City of Milnor Mayor and City Council sent a letter to the commissioners and sheriff regarding better communication between the public and law enforcement. Police Commissioner Jerry Waswick will visit with Sheriff Paeper about the letter.

Approve appointment of Kristine Askerooth as a North Dakota State Fair delegate representing Sargent County. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Approve removal of item #1487 (fax machine) from the county inventory. (Anderson/Orn, unanimous)

Verification of pledge of assets for 2006 was received from the county treasurer. Sargent County Bank, Forman has \$4,655,000 in pledges and First National Bank, Milnor \$2,325,000 in pledges. According to the treasurer, both are adequate according to law. Accept. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

JERRY M. WASWICK – CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD – AUDITOR