

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m., following the county park board meeting, with the following members present: Jerry Waswick, David Jacobson, Sherry Hosford, Mike Walstead, and Bill Anderson. Also present was Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney; Donna Eklund, county resident; Jason Arth, county resident; Tibby Hinderlie, The Sargent County Teller; and Pam Maloney, Sargent County Auditor.

Austin McLaen & Jeff Anderson, representing SCB Public Finance, arrived at the meeting. They provided information on refinancing the lease-purchase agreements on the county's three John Deere motor graders that are currently financed with John Deere. Each motor grader was individually compared and new balloon payments were calculated for each one based on refinancing with SCB Public Finance. The total cost savings to have the existing lease-purchase agreements on the equipment financed by SCB Public Finance will be approximately \$21,074 provided that the warranty was pre-paid at the time the equipment was acquired and that there is no penalty for pre-payment of the current contracts. Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney, was asked by the Commission to review the current contracts concerning the questions about warranty, pre-payment and any other matters which may be of concern if the lease-purchase agreements are financed elsewhere. Mr. McLaen was asked to bring a quote to the November 1 meeting to refinance all three machines with a four year lease.

Jayne Pfau, Assistant State's Attorney, arrived at the meeting.

Approve Gaming Permit No. 2016-02 to the DeVern Kurtz Cancer Benefit for a raffle on December 3, 2016 at the Stirum Hall, Stirum, ND. After consulting with the States Attorney, reviewing the permit application and the circumstances requiring the benefit, the county commission found the DeVern Kurtz Benefit to be a public spirited organization as contemplated by state law, and entitled to a charitable gaming permit. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

Kent Thoreson & Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering; LeeAnn Even, Milnor City Attorney; Terry Dusek & Monty Haugen, Milnor City Council; Kent Sundseth, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service F&WS); & Sandra Hanson, Tax Director/911 Coordinator/Emergency Manager; arrived at the meeting. Discussion held regarding the proposed creation of the Storm Lake Dam Federal Maintenance District. Mr. Sundseth stated that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service does own the structure and that there has not been any divestiture of ownership or control of the dam. The U. S. Government, through the Fish & Wildlife Service has not relinquished authority over the property and does maintain the water interest in Storm Lake at 92'. The F&WS sees no need for improvements on the structure at this time. States Attorney Bopp advised that the last document of record in the County Recorder's Office concerning this property is the deed conveying the real estate to the United States of America, and that there are no documents indicating an intent to divest ownership or to cease to maintain and operate the structure. Motion to refer this issue back to the Sargent County Water Resource Board for reconsideration of the proposed Storm Lake Dam Maintenance District due to the information received concerning the ownership, maintenance and operation of the dam structure. (Anderson/Walstead). Roll Call Vote: Yes – Jacobson, Walstead, Anderson and Waswick. No – Hosford. Motion carried.

Motion to introduce the resolution declaring the necessity to create the Storm Lake Dam Maintenance District. (Hosford, died for lack of second) Commissioner Hosford stated that there will be a water board meeting on Thursday, October 20 starting at 8:00 a.m. and asked the commissioners to attend.

Approve minutes of the October 4, 2016, commission meeting as corrected. (Hosford/Jacobson, unanimous)

Approve Gaming Permit No. 2016-01 to the Tewaukon Rod & Gun Club for a raffle on January 13, 2017 at the Geneseo Hall, Geneseo, ND. (Hosford/Anderson, unanimous)

Commissioner Anderson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Walstead:

WHEREAS, the Lake Agassiz Regional Council strives to assist in the planning and economic development of Sargent County and Lake Agassiz Regional Council as a whole, and

WHEREAS, planning and economic development are among the objectives of the Board of Commissioners of Sargent County,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Sargent County approves and supports the planning and economic development program and budget of the Lake Agassiz Regional Council during the Fiscal year 2017 in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Voting aye: Waswick, Hosford, Anderson, Jacobson and Walstead. Voting nay: None. Resolution was adopted.

Merrill Engquist, Road Supervisor; and, Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering; arrived at the meeting. Mr. Engquist reported that the culvert in the field approach north of Brampton will be repaired on Thursday, October 20; Crandall Construction has commenced work on the Alkali Lake Access Road project; the road crew has been working on chipping County Road #1; and that the road crew will be doing more slope work on County Road #14 to get those slopes that are not at 4:1 to that standard. There was discussion regarding the current placement of speed limit and “Watch for Children” signs near a farm site south of Geneseo. Mr. Engquist will look over the area and move the signs to help slow down traffic past the farm site. There was discussion also, regarding a section line and private drive north of Cayuga off County Road #12, that has a street sign at the corner and, as a result, the farmstead gets lots of traffic. Mr. Engquist will leave the street sign, but install “Dead End” signs at the intersection. Mr. Engquist informed the board that he would be applying mag chloride to several spots that had not been treated when the rest of the county had been done due to road projects and/or graveling yet to be done. It was decided to apply the mag chloride to these areas to control dust through the fall and winter months. Mr. DeVillers reminded the commission to prioritize future road projects for ND DOT.

The commission reviewed an “Application for Drainage Work Within County Road Right-Of-Way” for Heimbuch Farms to install a drain tile lift station along the north side of the NE1/4 of 18-129-57 in Brampton Township. The lift station will be installed in the field and then discharge into the south side ditch on County Road #5. Motion to approve the application pending approval of the project from the Sargent County Water Resource Board. (Walstead/Anderson, unanimous)

Commissioner Waswick reported that he and Alison Toepke, Treasurer/Recorder/Clerk of Court, have discussed some ideas for the court facilities improvement grant. Lyle Bopp, State’s Attorney, also suggested that an ITV system might be installed, as one of the judges had requested one.

Approve October payroll in the sum of \$187,190.40 (Nos.12662-12732 & 73955-73968) and the following bills: (Jacobson/Anderson, unanimous)

73808		Health unit expenses	5,565.97
73809	Mark Sand & Gravel	Bridge & Road Repair Cty #14	1,332,020.90
73810	Strege Concrete	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	15,376.00
73811	Woodland Power Products	Cyclone Rake	1,999.50
73812-73825		Health Dept. Expenses	12,805.37
73826	Forman City	Water/Sewer/Garbage	263.45
73827	Ottertail Power Co.	Electricity	1,253.08
73828	Ransom County	VSO Salary/Fringe Benefits	844.15
73830	Arrowhead Transport	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	245.98
73831	Marquette Construction	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	13,088.82
73832	Marquette, Kyle	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	7,000.00
73833	Northstar Roofing LLC.	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	2,305.00
73834	Ottertail Power Co.	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	50.34
73835	RC Pearson Farms	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	2,770.00
73836	Riverside Building Center	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	19,638.89
73838-73849		Health Unit Expenses	1,949.92
73850	Riverside Building Center	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	37,481.27
73852	Ottertail Power Co.	JDA-Milnor Spec Home	18.73
73861	Ameripride Linen	Cleaning Services	49.55
73862	Avid Hawk, LLC	Web Services	45.00
73863	Bopp Law Office	Rent/Phone	411.98
73864	Cenex Fleet Card	Gas Purchases	75.25
73865	Computer Prof. Unlimited, Inc.	Data Processing	4,255.58
73866	Dakota Plains	Gas Purchases	260.04
73867	Dakota Water Solutions	Water Jugs	28.00
73868	Dickey Rural Networks	Telephone	914.49
73869	Fargo Rubber Stamp Works	Notary Stamp-Bayger	27.25
73870	Farm & Home Publishers	Plat Books	700.00
73871	FP Mailing Solutions	Postage Machine Lease	135.00
73872	Gwinner One-Stop	Sheriff Gas Purchases	465.45
73873	Hardware Hank	Supplies	203.41
73874	HP, Inc.	Printer/Monitor	566.11
73875	Information Tech. Dept.	WAN Access/LERMS	587.55
73876	Johnson, Bryan	Sheriff Car Wash	12.00
73877	Liberty Business Systems, Inc.	Postage meter Ink	209.90
73878	Lisbon Area Health Services	Blood Alcohol	84.00
73879	NDAAO	Tax Assessor Class	450.00
73880	ND State Radio	LETS Terminal	120.00

73881	Nelson Home Center	Supplies	58.06
73882	Office of Attorney General	Scram 24/7	1,220.00
73883	Paeper, Travis	Sheriff Car Wash	9.00
73884	Pharmchem, Inc.	Sweat Patch Analysis	275.00
73885	Quill.com	Election/Office Supplies	103.78
73886	Radisson Hotel	NDACO Conference	163.80
73887	Reardon Office Equipment	Sheriff Office Supplies	74.52
73888	Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	165.00
73889	Sargent County Insurance	Weed Board Pickup Insurance	535.00
73890	Sargent County Teller	Printing/Publishing	717.01
73891	ServiceMaster of Oakes	Cleaning Services	105.00
73892	Southside Automotive	County Car Tires	949.08
73893	Teal's Market	Courthouse Maintenance	29.94
73894	Toepke, Allison	Treasurer Travel	225.72
73895	Vanguard Appraisals	Commercial Appraisal Contract	39,752.00
73896	Verizon Wireless	Sheriff MIFI Cards	160.04
73897	Ameripride Linen	Road Cleaning Services	17.30
73898	Bernard Mahrer Construction	Gravel Haul Fee Only	14,620.97
		County Road #3 & #5	
73899	Dakota Plains	Road Fuel	3,388.41
73900	Ekstrom Repair Shop	2003 GMC Pickup Repair	2,568.94
73901	Enderson Construction	Gravel Haul Fee Only	10,168.02
		County Road #7 & #12 & County Shop	
73902	Hansen Lumber & Hardware	Road Supplies	86.96
73903	Interstate Engineering	Engineering Services Cty #14	3,824.92
73904	John Deere Financial	Wheel Bolt	129.06
73905	Lee's Service Station	Tire Repair	15.00
73906	ND DOT Financial Mgmt.	Engineering Service Hall Twp. Bridge	321.92
73907	RDO Equipment-Powerplan	672G Motor Grader Repair	1,499.55
73908	Southside Automotive	Road Vehicle Repairs	346.83
73909	Laker Chemical	Fine Road Patch	1,329.50
73910	True North Steel	Culverts	4,211.10
73911	Dickey Rural Networks	911 Contract	255.00
73912	Klapperich, Cindy	Extension FCS Travel/Books	329.76
73913	NDACO	911 Wireless	335.70
73914	ND State Radio	State Radio Contract	6,314.88
73915	NDSU Ag Budget Office	Extension Salary	20,083.00
73916	SC Treasurer	Extension Postage	26.93
73917	Seykora, Melissa	Extension Agent Travel	132.30
73918	VISA	Extension Travel/Office Supplies	279.03
73919-73931		Human Service Expenses	1,626.56

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

PAM MALONEY – COUNTY AUDITOR

JERRY WASWICK – CHAIRMAN