

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

Norm Preble, Tax Director, met with the Board to assist with appraising the County Lands and Lots that have been forfeited to the County for non-payment of taxes. On motion, said appraisals were approved in the amounts shown on a list, which will be posted at the front door of the Courthouse on November 2, 1999. According to law, the time of hearing objections to the minimum sales price agreed upon was set for 9:30 a.m. on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. (Wehlander/Coleman, unanimous)

The Board proceeded to hold a public hearing on the 2000 County Budget.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1**

Wyum offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Wehlander:

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Board to make appropriations for the current year beginning January 1, 2000 and ending December 31, 2000 of money in specific amounts for all offices, officials, improvements, roads, bridges, etc., which are supported wholly or in part by the county,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sargent County commission approve and adopt the 2000 Budget.

Voting aye: All

Voting nay: None

Resolution was adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2**

Brockman offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Coleman:

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 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 2000 in the amount of \$1500.

Voting aye: All

Voting nay: None

Resolution was adopted.

Jack Lalor and Sandra Siekaniec, Tewaukon Refuge and Sandy Hanson, EMS, met with the Board. Mr. Lalor explained a letter he sent to NDDEM responding to the proposed Hazard Mitigation 404 Grant Program project to divert water around the city of Forman. They reviewed maps and impacts on land involved. Discussed some issues regarding Dakota Landfill and other land acquisitions in the county. Ms. Siekaniec informed the Board of new federal rules that could hinder widening roadways. A letter will be sent from this Board to the Director of US Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, DC. She invited the Board to an Open House at Tewaukon Refuge on October 23, 1999.

Sandy Hanson reported that the initial phase of 911 signing is complete and submitted a payment request to the road department for installation. Bill Smith stated concerns about placement/location of some of the signs. She will inspect signs periodically and the road department will make repairs. Sandy's position was discussed and a motion made that effective October 1, 1999 she will be considered a 4/5-time employee. The job will include all duties as per Disaster, Emergency, 911, Grant and Flood Plain Coordinator at Grade 5 Step 10. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Approve October 1, 1999 minutes and financial report. (Brockman/Wyum, unanimous)

Approve payment of the following bills and October payroll in the sum of \$73,333.20. (Wehlander/Brockman, unanimous)

37640 City of Forman	Water, sewer & garbage	195.80
Social Service expenditures		6899.90
37709 Airtouch Cellular	Phone	26.89
37710 Alliance Mgmt Consulting	Personnel Policy support	250.00
37711 Amoco	Gasoline	27.14
37712 Barnes County Corrections	Prisoner Board	720.00
37713 Buhl's	Cleaning service	161.19
37714 Burnie's	Binder	239.15
37715 Colby Oil Co.	Gravel	47.98
37716 Comfort Inn	Lodging	156.00
37717 Dacotah Paper	Batteries	12.37

37718	Dyste's	Supplies	37.74
37719	Farmers Union Oil	Gas, propane, repairs	1386.11
37721	Gall's	Equipment	23.98
37722	Hansen Lumber	Air conditioner	530.00
37723	Sandra Hanson	Travel	266.75
37724	Hardware Hank	Supplies	49.18
37725	Gina Hillestad	Travel	157.00
37726	Sherry Hosford	Travel & car repairs	113.24
37727	ITD	56K connection	209.80
37728	Larry's Sinclair	Travel	48.15
37729	Lexis Law Publishing	NDACS	124.04
37730	Lisbon Medical Center	Blood Alcohol	174.00
37731	Martinsen's Home Center	Carpet & repairs	659.77
37732	MicroAge Computer	Y2K update	699.00
37733	Minn-kota Communications	Radio repairs	655.50
37734	NDACo	Registration	170.00
37735	NDACo	Worker's Comp. Claims	198.15
37736	Dept. of Corrections	Parole/Probation	900.00
37737	ND State Radio Comm.	Teletype & 911	1435.20
37738	State Land Dept.	Unclaimed property	1.51
37739	NRASP	Video	45.00
37740	Officeland	Supplies	232.47
37741	Norman Preble	Travel	164.81
37742	Reardon Office	Copier Drum	179.95
37743	Richland Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	1575.00
37744	SEL Lumber	Repairs	24.44
37745	Streicher's	Ammunition	64.25
37746	The Teller	Publishing fees	558.80
37747	Universal Services	Copier supplies	68.00
37748	Viking	Supplies	395.92
37749	White Banner	Uniforms	75.00
37751	Arrowhead Transport	Hauling oil mix	113.32
37752	Bernard Mahrer Const.	Gravel, oil, pea rock	18843.55
37753	Christianson Asphalt	MC-800	9652.48
37754	Crandall Construction	Gravel	40316.54
37755	Economy Oil Inc.	Gas & Fuel	2056.50
37756	Farm Plan	Repairs	125.69
37757	Mark Hanson	Trackhoe rental	1635.00
37758	Loren Hanson	Trackhoe rental	1635.00
37759	Josh Hanson	Trackhoe rental	1635.00
37760	Arlen Hanson	Trackhoe rental	1635.00
37761	Kadmas, Lee & Jackson	Eng. services - 132-10	15390.29
37762	NDDOT	1999 road projects	28867.74
37763	Northwestern Equipment	Repairs	961.00
37764	RDO Equipment	Repairs	546.59
37765	Sturdevant's Inc.	Repairs	45.27
37766	Swanston Equipment	Repairs	286.18
37769	Leslie Bjore	Const. Mgmt/Elevator Addition	337.87
37770	Bond Registrar	GO Bond interest payment	10275.75
37771	Britton Ready Mix	Parking/southside	477.75
37772	Comstock Const.	Elevator Addition-Final	3231.22
37773	DARE America	Workbooks	77.00
37774	Dickey Rural Telephone	911	426.50
37775	Forman Drug	Supplies	4.49
37776	Gwinner Civic Club	DARE ad	75.00
37778	Sharan Huffman	Travel	13.50
37779	Interstate Engineering Inc.	Services	4143.42
37780	Melroe	Gift	19.25
37781	NDSU	Printing/books	30.00
37782	Larry Nelson	Concrete work	250.00
37783	NDHS	SPED, MA, FC	2132.61
37784	Richland Group	Elevator addition-Final	1375.00
37785	Office Max	Supplies	47.47
37786	SC Highway Dept.	911 signs	1631.00
37787	Schmitty's P & H	Elevator addition-Final	1025.00
37788	Thorson, Inc.	1999 road project	31877.24
37789	US West Communications	911	295.14
	Weed Board expenditures		2926.24

Computer Professionals Unlimited, Inc. was contacted about concern the treasurer has on computer software.

Sparky Engquist met with the Board to discuss road department issues. Joel Grothe has completed his introductory period. Approve step to Grade 4 Step 8 effective 11-1-99. (Wehlander/Brockman, unanimous) Sparky is working on bridges that need repairs and signs. Bridge 132-10 is near completion but is open to traffic. Sparky reported the road department uses the old cattle barn at the fairgrounds year-round to store equipment. Requested installation of new overhead doors with electric openers. He will get price estimates. Discussed intersections with state highways. Approve placement of a stop ahead sign at Co. # 4 and ND St. 13. (Coleman/withdrawn)

Julie Hassebroek updated the Board on extension staff progress.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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W.E. SMITH - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR