

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

Sparky Engquist met with the Board to discuss road issues. The new road grader is in Fargo and it will be 2 weeks before it is delivered to Forman. Sparky picked up the leased trackhoe from Fargo Parts and Equipment and lowered the pipe at Mezarous Slough. He is working on the bridge in Denver Township and the bridge by Douglas Mund's.

Colin Stockstad and J.R. Kleingarn, Shuman Township, met with the Board at the Board's request to discuss the roadway on the south side of Buffalo Lake. The township does not claim that portion of the road for their maintenance. ND Game and Fish provided funding for gravel in 1994 through the SC Park Board. Since that time the road has been under water. The Board discussed whether it should be closed to the public or made a minimum maintenance. There is about 200 yards that need to be built up. The main concern is a safety problem but also make it accessible to the fishing population. The Board requested Sparky to prepare a cost estimate for consideration and that the roadway is still the responsibility of the township and it is their call whether it be closed now for safety purposes. The township suggested putting a couple loads of gravel in the roadway. A group was appointed to meet with the States Attorney to discuss the liability and Sparky was instructed to barricade the road on both ends on behalf of the county park board and the township with costs to be shared by both boards.

Approve October 8, 2002 minutes as amended. (Wehlander/Anderson, unanimous)

Discussed the 457(b) Loan Option with Nationwide Retirement Solutions. Motion to not allow participant loans from 457(b) accounts. (Smith/Anderson, unanimous)

Bill left the meeting at 10:20 a.m. for a funeral.

Sandra Hanson, Emergency Manager, requested approval of the EM performance grant for federal fiscal year 2003 and authorization of financial responsibility. Approved. Sandy also discussed the LEPC and the plans to meet with these members to proceed with the county plan. Discussed compensation for LEPC Board members. There are grants available and she plans to submit three separate grants - for board compensation, travel, supplies, printing, phone, copies and other miscellaneous expenses.

Bill Smith returned at 11:10 a.m.

Norm Preble met to discuss the Travis Juran abatement. Norm talked to Mr. Juran and discussed the appraisal and other repairs. Norm felt the value from the city was agreeable with him. The City of Gwinner approved a reduction to \$51,000. Concur with Gwinner City. (Smith/Wyum, unanimous) Norm also presented testimony from Larry Osborn, Richland County Tax Director on the productivity approach to value that was presented to the Interim Taxation Committee on September 25, 2002.

Discussed the laptop in the Social Service Office and authorized the technology coordinator, after removing the data, to transfer said laptop to the Tax Director's Office for replacement of his computer.

Approve payment of the bills in October payroll in the sum of \$76,424.36. (Smith/Wehlander, unanimous)

Social Service expenditures		5422.12
44661 BP Amoco	Sheriff travel	21.63
44662 Ray Brockman	Travel	160.27
44663 Buhl's	Cleaning service	191.99
44664 Case & Bopp Law	Rent and cell phone	205.99
44665 Cellularone	Sheriff's cell phone	564.21
44666 Chunky's	Sheriff travel	25.10
44667 DRN	Phone service	449.86
44668 Dyste's	Supplies	4.08
44669 E S & S	Election supplies	72.76
44670 Empire Feed and Grain Inc.	27.82 ton coal	918.06
44671 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas, repairs and signs	739.34
44672 Fiala Repair	Supplies	112.00
44673 Forman Repair	Repairs and signs	19.50
44674 Globe Gazette Supply	MH cards	19.52
44675 Sandra Hanson	Travel	223.20
44676 Hardware Hank	Supplies	147.38
44677 Hedahl's	Auger repairs	136.39
44678 Gina Hillestad	Travel	206.00
44679 Sherry Hosford	Travel	260.20
44680 Lorraine Jacobson	Coroner travel	464.08
44681 Joan Lee	Travel	152.46
44682 Martinsen's	Fairground repairs	1018.72

44683	McLaen's Service	Sheriff service and road equip.	554.30
44684	McLeod USA	Long distance phone service	203.56
44685	Mary Miller	Custody investigator	203.94
44686	NDACo	Tech support and registration	828.57
44687	NDACo-CEG	Worker Comp. Claim	3.15
44688	ND Dept. of Corrections	Parole & Probation	900.00
44689	ND State Auditor	2001 audit fees	5500.00
44690	ND State Radio	Teletype and 911 contract	1345.20
44691	DOCS	Labor	325.00
44692	Gary Neuharth	Mental health hearings	799.44
44693	Officeland	Supplies	35.66
44694	Donald C. Olson	Tree trimming	190.00
44695	Norm Preble	Travel	140.24
44696	Radisson Hotel	Lodging	675.00
44697	Reardon Office	Copier repairs & supplies	465.45
44698	Richland Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	320.00
44699	SEL Lumber	Fairgrounds repairs	578.00
44700	Stein's Inc.	Supplies	407.32
44701	Streicher's	Equipment	90.75
44702	Stutsman Co. Auditor	Mental health hearing	66.00
44703	The Teller	Publishing fees	253.66
44704	Verizon Wireless	Co. cell phone	28.12
44705	Viking	Supplies	266.19
44706	AW Diesel Service	Repairs	523.51
44707	Arrowhead Transport	Pea rock	434.43
44708	Atco International	Repairs	132.65
44709	Bernard Mahrer Co.	Pea rock	2756.15
44710	Crandall Const.	Gravel	4237.56
44711	Economy Oil	Propane	166.46
44712	Gwinner Farmers Elevator	Fuel	1053.93
44713	Johnston Fargo Culvert	Culverts	1906.31
44714	Koch Materials Co.	Asphalt	62294.57
44715	KRS Transport	Demurrage charges	696.00
44716	Kustom Machine Inc.	Repairs	89.13
44717	Nassau/Rockmount	Repairs	736.16
44718	Nelson Bulk Oil	Fuel	1061.05
44719	Nelson International	Repairs	68.24
44720	Ray-Mac Inc.	Repairs/tools	181.23
44721	Royal Tire	Tires	2265.00
44722	Share Corp.	Citra Solve	123.77
44723	Delwen Sukut	2000 gallon fiber tank	300.00
44724	Superior Lamp, Inc.	Shop lights	577.95
44725	The Bond Registrars	GO Bond interest	7175.25
44726	Computer Professionals	Data Processing charges	501.41
44727	Dickey Rural Telephone	911 contracts	406.50
44728	First National Ins. Agency	Premiums	392.00
44729	Frontier	911 contracts	233.16
44730	ITD	WAN access and anti-virus	393.00
44731	NDACo	Wireless 911	655.08
44732	NDSU Extension Service	Registration	94.00
44733	NFPA	Training materials	86.95
44734	Office Systems, Inc.	Copier supplies/rental	322.50
44735	Qwest	911	289.77
44736	Stutsman County	Data Processing charges	690.00
	Weed Board	Expenditures	5227.02

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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RAY BROCKMAN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR