

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mike Walstead, Steve Wyum and Jerry Waswick. Absent: Bill Anderson and Maurice Orn. Also present: David Jacobson, Forman and Paige Cary, The Sargent County Teller.

Approve minutes of October 19, 2010 meeting as corrected. (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

Commissioner Bill Anderson telephoned the Board at 9:30 a.m. from the desert in Arizona to let them know he was available by cell phone to discuss any order of business.

Reviewed Change Orders 1 & 2 from Red River Electric, Inc. to reinstall original motor starters and mount with painted plywood panel boards and reconnect conduits on the boiler project for \$225.00 and provide and install contactor and enclosure for P-6 pump for \$257.50. Approve Change Orders. (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

Discussed the 2011-2012 Federal Aid Road and Bridge Program and moved to add Bridge No. 123-20 located 4 miles south and 2 miles west of Rutland for construction in 2011 at an estimated total cost of \$355,000. Approve submission to the ND Dept. of Transportation and request cost share from the Sargent County Water Resource Board. (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

Lyle Bopp, States Attorney arrived at the meeting.

Sandy Hanson, Tax Director/EMS Coordinator met the Board and discussed county FEMA projects. Three damaged bridges in Herman, Weber and Tewaukon Townships are under consideration for restoration to pre-disaster condition or possible abandonment if a viable alternative travel route is feasible. Mike Walstead, Road Commissioner, plans to meet with each township board to discuss alternatives.

Rodney Erickson, Rutland met with the Board regarding taxes on a parcel of land within the city limits of Rutland. Mr. Erickson purchased the property and stated that he did not receive a statement for the property which appears on the delinquent property tax list. The past due taxes were accrued before he had possession of the property and apparently the statements were sent to the prior owner. Mr. Erickson would like the minutes to reflect that he was not in error and not delinquent in paying for those properties prior to August 2010. He will be responsible for penalty and interest on said property from August, 2010 to present.

Lyle Bopp discussed a letter sent to Mike Walstead, Chairman of the Commission from legal counsel for three landowners in Shuman Township adjacent to Buffalo Lake who are concerned about high lake water levels. They are considering legal action compelling the County to increase culvert sizes to comply with the stream crossing standards where Crooked Creek crosses County Roads 1 and 10. The Board discussed several factors involved both upstream and downstream from Buffalo Lake including the impact on the Wild Rice River. Mr. Bopp was requested to draft a response to landowners' legal counsel.

Harlan Klefstad, Forman and Quentin Hoistad, Sargent County Park Board member arrived at the meeting and Mr. Klefstad presented the Park Board with a check for \$44,000 towards the park pavilion which is being constructed at Silver Lake. This donation should make it possible to complete the construction unless costs have increased since they were obtained. The Board expressed their appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Klefstad for his most generous donation. The Park Board will meet in January 2011 to finalize the plans and prepare the bid notice for the pavilion.

Motion to approve payment of the following bills: (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

63330 Four Points Logistics, Inc.	Electrical – Boiler Replacement Project	19,600.00
63331 Peterson Mechanical Inc.	Mechanical – Boiler Replacement Project	124,353.00

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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MIKE WALSTEAD – CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR