

Forman, North Dakota
December 19, 2000

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

Robert Cookson, Mayor, Forman City, expressed concern about junkyards and is seeking any suggestions to correct the problem. Forman is zoned but it does not extend outside the city limits. He has talked to the township officers and they are willing to assist in any way to address all junkyard problems throughout the county. Forman City has been working on some solutions but they are not having any success. The county has a Planning Commission and if there would be any zoning it would have to start with that Board.

Wendy Jacobson, Director, Social Services, met with the Board to address the new sick leave policy that became effective November, 2000. According to ND Central Personnel policies, there cannot be a cap or limit on sick leave carry over. County Social Service Boards should develop policies for consistency in sick leave hours when an employee is hired from the Department of Human Services or another County Social Service Board. Moved to retract the motion made on 11-21-00 regarding sick leave policy due to conflict with State Administration Code 4-07-13-06. (Wyum/Smith, unanimous)

Julie Hassebroek, Extension Service, reported that Marsha Mathias' probationary period has expired. Everything is working out great and she recommends that Marsha be approved for full-time equivalent. Based on recommendation of extension agent, approve Marsha Mathias as a full-time employee effective 12-30-00. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous)

Approve properly filled out applications for Beer and Liquor licenses to North Forty Bar Inc., DeLamere, Todd Goolsbey and Nancy Prante, managers and to Stir'Um Up Bar and Grill, Stirum, Kim Houle, manager. (Wehlander/Smith, unanimous)

Approve December 5, 2000 minutes as corrected. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Approve payment of the bill for \$1394.00 to The Richland Group Inc. as payment in full on the elevator addition. (Brockman/Wyum, unanimous)

Dan Jacobson, John Totenhagen and Mark Breker, Water Board members and Quentin Hoistad and Raymon Nelson, Park Board members met with the Board. The Water Board met at State convention and asked Randy Gjestvang and Bruce Engelhardt who are employed by the ND State Water Commission, to look at the Silver Lake project and come up with a plan. Depending on the winter, they thought in the spring they can look at it and would be in favor of pulling back the bank and adding some riprap. They feel planting trees would not solve the erosion problem and would interfere with the fishing. There would possibly be some funding from the SWC and they could do the work. Also talked to the RRJTBD but will wait until the SWC develops the plan. It was agreed that the Water Board would submit an application to the SWC to ask them to develop a plan for erosion control and bank stabilization.

Dan Jacobson updated the Board on the cleaning in Drain No. 11. They are currently working in the south branch and have completed the north branch. Dave Titus Excavating is the contractor and has also cleaned an area on the outlet to the drain.

A conference call was placed to Joel Heitkamp, SE Water Users regarding a notice in the Teller. A hearing is scheduled for December 27, 2000 in Bismarck requesting the State Engineer to establish a water district. This would change the structure of SE Water Users to a water district. A new law that was enacted allows the rural water systems to become a political subdivision. They have no power to tax but this will allow them to access tax-free financing which is not available at the present time.

Brian Tayer, coordinator, Milnor Ambulance, reported that they have had 74 calls during 2000. Many are first responder calls. This year he attended many meetings for instructor courses throughout the area. Several of the courses are paid by grants. He said they were excellent courses and great training. He reviewed the financial status of the ambulance and indicated donations are up from prior years. They are working on getting more volunteers.

Lyle Bopp arrived at 1:00 p.m.

The Board recessed into Executive session to discuss the letter received from Montgomery Goff & Bullis, P.C. regarding a letter on Jason Nelson v. City of Forman/Sargent County.

Approve payment of bills and payroll in the amount of \$73,208.99.
(Smith/Wehlander, unanimous)

Weed Board expenses	416.47	
Social Service expenses	3062.73	
40333 Amoco	Travel	47.09

40334 Barnes Co. Jail	Prisoner Board	90.00
40335 Berube's	Repairs	180.17
40336 Bits & Bytes	Computer system	5364.00
40337 Ray Brockman	Travel	258.90
40338 Buhl's	Cleaning service	171.27
40339 Case & Bopp	Rent & phone	205.99
40340 Chunky's	Tires, filters, etc.	322.00
40341 Lysle Coleman	Travel	112.20
40342 Comfort Inn	Lodging	30.40
40343 Dacotah Paper Co.	Supplies	59.55
40344 Dakota Communications	Radios	1750.00
40345 DRN	Telephone	486.80
40346 DOCS	Snow removal	120.00
40347 Election Systems	Equipment rental & ballots	6255.70
40348 Empire Feed & Grain	13.37 ton coal	685.21
40349 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas, fuel & repairs	2912.25
40350 Gall's	Uniforms	26.82
49351 Hardware Hank	Supplies	77.29
40352 Haroldson Office	Supplies	27.35
40353 Lorraine Jacobson	Travel	229.50
40354 Laser Tech	Stampers	162.10
40355 Martinsen's Home Center	Supplies	38.89
40356 Minn-kota Communications	Radio service	497.25
40357 NDACo	Computer & services	1579.00
40358 NDACo	Worker's Compensation Premium	16055.51
40359 NW Iron Fireman	Boiler repairs	552.00
40360 Oakes Comm Hospital	Blood alcohol	55.00
40361 Officeland	Supplies	95.71
40362 Professional Microfilming	Reader rental	250.00
40363 Quill	Furniture & supplies	646.67
40364 Reardon Office	Supplies	67.50
40365 Remily's	Supplies	20.63
40366 Richland Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	360.00
40367 Safetec	Timelock escapement	110.00
40368 SC Treasurer	Postage reimbursement	710.71
40369 William E. Smith	Travel	151.40
40370 SE Propane LLC	Propane	734.40
40371 The Teller	Publishing fees	354.45
40372 US Link	Long distance calls	360.40
40373 Underground Vaults/Storage	Rental fee	149.50
40374 Valley Ford	Payment/2001 Ford	9000.00
40375 Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	27.76
40376 Viking	Supplies	431.01
40377 Wahpeton Drug	Supplies	21.51
40378 Don Wehlander	Travel	156.60
40379 White Banner	Uniforms	53.20
40380 Steven Wyum	Travel	266.70
40381 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	260.72
40382 Bear Creek Gravel	Road gravel	3662.80
40383 Rick Bosse	Road clean up	300.00
40384 Butler Machinery	Repairs	300.41
40385 Dyste's	Supplies	19.23
40386 Gwinner Oil Bulk	Gas & fuel	1347.39
40387 Interstate Engineering	Dr # 11 box culvert	310.30
40388 Jacobson Implement	Bobcat exchange	29.64
40389 Liberty Industries	Road salt	1592.10
40390 MJ's Tarp Repair	Repairs	45.00
40391 NAPA Parts Supply	Repairs	115.97
40392 ND Surplus Property	2 trucks & misc.	7701.50
40393 Nelson International	Repairs	170.13
40394 Ray Mac Inc.	Repairs	18.14
40395 RDO Equipment	Repairs	312.45
40396 Sturdevant's Inc.	Repairs	7.94
40397 Bureau of Govt. Affairs	Book	15.00
40398 CPU	DP charges	446.25
40399 Dickey Rural Telephone	911	418.50
40400 City of Forman	Rent	20.00
40401 Connie Gulleason	Travel	104.20
40402 Julie Hassebroek	Travel	436.54
40403 Information Technology	Wan Access (T-1)	288.48
40404 NDDHS	FC & SPED	1312.79
40406 Qwest	911	291.81
40408 The Richland Group	Elevator addition	1394.00
40409 Wayne Trophies	Plaque	28.50

Approve following budget amendments and transfers based on the shortfalls at the end of the year except the extension service. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous)

Road	\$556,551.	\$607,084.
Extension Service	\$ 41,087.	\$ 41,290.
Park	\$ 16,850.	\$ 21,425.
Disaster Assist	\$ 0.	\$383,940.
GO Bonds	\$ 63,880.	\$ 64,775.

Comp. Medical	\$ 56,925.	\$ 63,703.
Ambulance	\$ 57,293.	\$ 59,420.
Fair	\$ 8,700.	\$ 9,035.
Historical Soc.	\$ 3,000.	\$ 3,140.
Senior Citizens	\$ 16,000.	\$ 17,171.
Red River Jt Bd	\$ 6,692.	\$ 6,775.
Drain No. 3	\$ 1,000.	\$ 3,710.
Drain No. 11	\$100,000.	\$225,500.
WIC	\$ 15,455.	\$ 15,973.
Health/Reg VCHNC	\$ 0.	\$ 3,161.
Health/Reg Vschool	\$ 8,725.	\$ 8,871.
Health/Radon	\$ 1,335.	\$ 1,521.
MCH/IAP Grant	\$ 150.	\$ 177.

Ray Brockman reported that the Cogswell Community Center has requested funding for the new building and/or equipment. They were told to meet with the Job Development Authority.

Sparky reported on the road department. Purchased 2 gravel trucks from Surplus Property. He asked about looking into getting a caterpillar for snow removal. If the county would rent it would be about \$50/hour plus operator and fuel. Our bid rate is \$110 for a D8K. He will check into renting one for the winter.

Marla Bopp and Cindy Trucksess, Forman Ambulance met with the Board to report on the ambulance service. Cindy has completed her probationary period and Marla, squad leader, recommended that she be hired as a full-time employee. Cindy recently attended some instructor courses and is certified for teaching continuing education courses and CPR. The Board and squad are satisfied with her work. Approve hiring Cindy as a FTE effective 12-1-00. (Smith/Wyum, unanimous). Discussed the financial status of the service and upcoming courses and activities.

Roz Amerman asked if the Board had discussed anymore about salaries. A memo was sent to all employees and asked that they go to the personnel board and no one has met with the personnel board. The Board said the 2001 salaries are in place as far as the budget goes but there is also a contingency fund to allow for additional increases.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

LYSLE COLEMAN - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR