

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mike Walstead, Jerry Waswick, Bill Anderson, David L Jacobson and Steve Wyum. Absent: None. Also in attendance was Paige Cary, The Sargent County Teller.

Pam Maloney, Chief Deputy County Auditor, called the meeting to order to organize for 2012.

Nominate Bill Anderson for Chairman. Wyum/Waswick. Move nominations cease and Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Bill Anderson. (Jacobson/Walstead, unanimous) Mr. Anderson proceeded to conduct the meeting.

Nominate Dave Jacobson for Vice-Chairman. Walstead/Wyum. Move nominations cease and Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Dave Jacobson. (Waswick/Walstead, carried.)

Approve November 15, 2011, minutes as corrected. (Waswick/Jacobson, unanimous)

Approve appointments for commissioner's portfolios as follows for 2012:

Courthouse Commissioner: Jerry Waswick.
Police Commissioner: Steve Wyum
Fair Board Commissioner: Jerry Waswick.
Emergency Medical Advisory Board: Bill Anderson.
Road Commissioner: Mike Walstead.

(Walstead/Wyum, unanimous)

Reappoint Dave Jacobson, Mike Walstead and Steve Wyum to three year terms on Sargent County Human Service Board, ending December 2, 2014. (Waswick/Anderson, unanimous)

Reappoint Bill Anderson, Mike Walstead, Jeff Anderson & Jerry Erickson to three year terms on Sargent County Job Development Authority Board, ending December 2, 2014. (Jacobson/Waswick, unanimous)

Set regular 2012 monthly meeting dates as the first and third Tuesdays of each month except the November 6th date which will be changed to November 8th due to the 2012 General Election. (Wyum/Waswick, unanimous)

Authorize Auditor to pay utility bills, withholding taxes, and other bills offering discounts if allowed by law. (Jacobson/Waswick, unanimous)

Authorize Treasurer to invest county funds. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous)

An application for abatement or refund of taxes for Vernon and Louise Odegard, Milnor was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Odegard was requesting a removal of building value on Lot 9, Block 35, Original Addition, Milnor City as the structure was removed. Milnor City approved the request. Concur with Milnor City. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous)

An application for abatement or refund of taxes for Matthew McLaen, Forman was reviewed by the Board. Mr. McLaen is requesting removal of residential building value on an 8.75 acre parcel in the SE1/4 of 2-130-56 due to beginning active farmer exemption. Forman Township approved the request. Concur with Forman Township. (Walstead/Jacobson, unanimous)

Lyle Bopp, States Attorney arrived at 10:30 a.m.

Motion to approve the following deed due to fulfillment of Contract for Deed: West 43' of South 192' Lot 1 & East 50' Lot 2, Block 6, McNeeley's Addition, Cogswell City to Clayton Hoffman, Oakes, ND. (Walstead/Jacobson, unanimous)

After some discussion of the fully audited bill, which included a review of calculations made by Road Commissioner Walstead comparing the cost of gravel plus transportation from the various suppliers indicating that the combined cost of gravel plus transportation from the Smith pit to the various points of application was the most economical for those locations, the Board approved payment to Enderson Construction in the amount of \$26,538.16. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous)

The Board also approved payment to TON Construction for work on the Silver Lake Pavilion in the amount of \$11,364, subject to the auditor's review. This amount reflects \$1000 held for work to be done on the exterior base trim in the spring. (Wyum/Waswick, unanimous)

Motion to concur with the Social Service Board and approve the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) bonus from the federal government payable to Social Service employees. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous)

Approve beer and liquor licenses for 2012 to: Daniel Bauer, Galloping Goose, Inc., Stirum; and, to Jennifer Lugert, Geneseo Bar, Geneseo. (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

Authorize Chairman to sign the Barnes County Correctional Facility Contract for 2012. (Waswick/Jacobson, unanimous)

Following phone conversation with Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, motion to approve the following resolution: (Walstead/Waswick) Roll Call: Aye: Wyum, Anderson, Waswick and Walstead. Nay: Jacobson. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$189,448.25 from Asphalt Surface Technologies Corp. received in the bid opening of November 18, 2011 for Project SC-4111(068) was the low bid received.

WHEREAS, this bid is considered reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Sargent County will award to Asphalt Surface Technologies Corp. the contract for Project SC-4111(068) and hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign said contract.

It is further understood that the County shall reimburse the North Dakota Department of Transportation for any payments made under this contract, which are not collectible from the Federal Highway Administration.

Motion to approve removal of #2595 printer & # 1749 computer from county inventory. (Walstead/Jacobson, unanimous)

Approve Games of Chance Permit # SC-2011-03 to Cogswell Gun Club for a raffle on 2/26/12 for the fishing derby at Silver Lake. (Waswick/Jacobson, unanimous)

Motion to approve the release of contingency funds equivalent to 6 months of step increases to all employees. This is not granting a permanent step and employees hired during the year will have their increases prorated according to months of service. (Waswick/Jacobson) Roll Call: Aye: Wyum, Anderson, Waswick, Walstead & Jacobson. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

BILL ANDERSON- CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

PAM MALONEY-CHIEF DEPUTY AUDITOR