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.

Sherry Hosford, County Auditor, called the meeting to order to organize for 2011.

Oaths of Office were administered to Steven Wyum, County Commission Combined District 1 and Mike Walstead and David L Jacobson, County Commission Combined District 2 for four year terms.

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

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

Approve November 23, 2010, minutes as corrected. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous)

Approve appointments for commissioner's portfolios as follows for 2011:

Courthouse Commissioner: Jerry Waswick. Police Commissioner: Steve Wyum Fair Board Commissioner: Jerry Waswick.

Emergency Medical Advisory Board: Bill Anderson.

Road Commissioner: Mike Walstead.

Reappoint Jerry Waswick and Bill Anderson to three year terms on Sargent County Human Service Board, ending December 2, 2013. Appoint David L Jacobson to complete term of Maurice Orn on the Sargent County Human Service Board ending December 1, 2011. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

Appoint David L Jacobson to the Sargent County Weed Board to replace Maurice Orn. (Walstead/Anderson, unanimous)

Appoint David L Jacobson to the Planning Commission to replace Maurice Orn. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Extend appointment until 12/21/10 of Ron Narum, Rutland to the Sargent County Job Development Authority pending receipt of any other nominations. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

Reappoint Mike Walstead to the Sargent County Health Board for a term ending December 2015. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Reappoint Lorraine Jacobson, Coroner and Travis Paeper, Deputy Coroner. (Walstead/Anderson, unanimous)

Accept resignation of Lorraine Jacobson, SC Health District Board and advertise position in the paper. (Wyum/Anderson, unanimous)

Set regular 2011 monthly meeting dates as the first and third Tuesdays of each month. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Authorize Auditor to pay utility bills, withholding taxes, and other bills offering discounts if allowed by law and authorize Treasurer to invest county funds. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Motion to approve payment of \$500 to Gary Krause (Warrant No. 63482) for an easement for the Alkali Lake drain project and authorize the County Auditor to record the easement as soon as payment as been made. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Mike Walstead gave an update on the boiler and indicated that the mechanical contractor will be calibrating the furnaces.

Jerry Waswick presented a check for \$1,000 from the El Zagal Viking Patrol, Gwinner for the Silver Lake Park Pavilion.

Lyle Bopp, States Attorney arrived at 9:45 a.m.

Authorize the Chairman and County Auditor to execute a Quit Claim Deed conveying property [described] as the East 100 feet of Lot 3, Block 6, McNeeley's Addition, Cogswell City for \$3,000 to Ronald Bellin. (Anderson/Jacobson, unanimous)

Rick Hoistad, Forman met with the Board to discuss two sites with culvert issues. Sparky Engquist, Road Supervisor, arrived and described the Road Department's current plans for these culvert sites. Mr. Hoistad also is concerned about several bridges/box culverts structures in Rutland and Weber Township. He would like to be informed of any future projects in this area.

An application for abatement or refund of taxes for Gary and Elizabeth Waltrip, Gwinner on Lot 3, Block 1, GCDC Second Addition was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Waltrip was requesting a reduction of value on a garage that was only 25% complete in tax years in 2008 and 2009. He did not complete the garage until September 2010. A nonexistent improvement was assessed and he is asking for the reduction. Gwinner City approved the request. Concur with Gwinner City. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, Inc. met with the Board. He explained two Change Orders – one for the Double Box culvert south of Rutland for \$516 and the other on Bridge BRO-0041(011) for gravel replacement for \$3,978.31. Approve Change Orders. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous) Also discussed a road project on County # 4 (CMC 4111) to consider micro surfacing instead of an overlay. The cost would be one third of an overlay. Motion to authorize Interstate Engineering, Inc. to proceed with Plans and Specifications for said project and prepare for bid opening in May 2011. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous)

Damon DeVillers informed the Board that the cost to survey the land on the Cogswell-Brampton road right-of-way would be approximately \$1300-\$1500 per one half mile. After further discussion the Board requested Lyle Bopp, States Attorney to contact the landowners for their feedback on proceeding with this project.

Authorize Chairman to sign the Barnes County Correctional Facility Contract for 2011. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

Authorize Chairman to sign the Master Agreement for Technology Support with NRG Technology Services, Bismarck for 2011 for \$22,776. (Anderson/Jacobson, unanimous)

Steve Wyum presented information on a 2011 Market Survey update for the Sargent County Pay Plan and the projected cost to implement and maintain a salary longevity plan. Additional information will be available in mid-January.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.	
	JERRY WASWICK – CHAIRMAN
ATTEST:	
SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR	