

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mike Walstead, Maurice Orn, Bill Anderson, Steve Wyum, and Jerry Waswick. Absent: none. Others present: Holly Jessen, the Sargent County Teller.

Approve February 5, 2008 minutes as corrected. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous).

Approve February payroll in the sum of \$125,202.74 (#'s1627-1683 & 58678-58688) and all bills presented. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

58580 ND Game and Fish	Hunting report	53232.00
58581-58583 Weed Board expenditures		275.41
58584 Ottertail Power Company	Electricity	1902.31
58585-58601 Health District expenditures		2469.52
58602 City of Forman	Water, sewer & garbage	141.00
58603 Weber Township	Replacement warrant	702.40
58604 SC Treas.	Current tax holding	1895610.00
58606-58619 & 58689	Human Service expenditure	11528.22
58620-58677 A-Z Body Shop	Durango repairs	250.00
58621 Alltel	Sheriff cell phone service	132.44
58622 BW Doublewood Inn	EMS lodging	59.95
58623 Brian's Repair and Auto Parts	Sheriff Dept. repairs	252.50
58624 Buhl's	Cleaning service	160.69
58625 DRN	Phone service	715.36
58626 Dickey/Sargent Housing	Copies and Internet service	944.40
58627 DOCS	Snow removal and door repair	256.00
58628 Dyste's	Supplies	3.38
58629 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas and supplies	766.13
58630 Gwinner One Stop	Gas	429.16
58631 Sandra Hanson	Travel	97.10
58632 Hardware Hank	Supplies	119.92
58633 Hoag and Sons	2007 Teller bound	74.99
58634 ITD	WAN access, anti-virus & LERMS user fee	526.00
58635 J & M Printing	Copies	3.75
58636 Minn-kota Communications	Courtroom wiring	881.70
58637 NDACo	Workers comp. claim	350.00
58638 ND Clerks Association	2008 dues	60.00
58639 ND Co. Auditor's Ass'n	2008 dues	75.00
58640 ND EMA	2008 dues	40.00
58641 ND States Attorney Ass'n	2008 dues	500.00
58642 Office Depot	Supplies	410.90
58643 Quill	Supplies	324.41
58644 Reardon Office Equipment	Copier contract and supplies	480.55
58645 The Sargent County Teller	Publishing fees	334.94
58646 Jerry Waswick	Travel	143.10
58647 Florian Wisniewski	Assessor	43.90
58648 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	160.42
58649 Bladow Used Machinery	Upholstery project	100.00
58650 Butler Machinery	Repairs	98.37
58651 Ekstrom Repair	Repairs	181.80
58652 Forman Repair	Repairs	7.20
58653 Jacobson Implement	Repairs	53.07
58654 Kingston Township	Culvert cost share	51.73
58655 Lawson Products	Repairs	71.40
58656 Martinsen's	Tools, signs and repairs	137.00
58657 NAPA Auto Parts	Repairs	31.98
58658 NDACo	Drug testing	210.00
58659 Ray-Mac Inc.	Repairs	55.61
58660 Power Plan – RDO	Repairs	23.95
58661 Rutland Oil	Fuel	2980.00
58662 Superior Lamps	Light bulbs	596.81
58663 Barnes County Corrections	Prisoner Board	605.00
58664 Braun Intertec	Deflection testing	2815.00
58665 Cass County Treasurer	Juvenile Detention	3565.00
58666 CPU	Data Processing charges	1121.07

58667 DRN	911 contracts	263.00
58668 Downtown Café	Prisoner meals	13.02
58669 Hardware Hank	HS Supplies	36.98
58670 Team Laboratory Chemical	2200 gal Base One	37778.00
58671 NDACo	Wireless 911 contract	986.80
58672 NDSU Extension Service	Salaries and travel	12893.00
58673 Nick of Time	HS training	1000.00
58674 Oakes Community Hospital	Blood Alcohol	36.00
58675 Qwest	911 contracts	191.88
58676 Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	270.00

Authorize Chairman to sign the Richland County Corrections Contract for 2008. (Waswick/Anderson, unanimous)

Sandy Hanson, EMS/911 Coordinator met with the Board to update them on projects including upcoming workshop on February 29 at the Verona School entitled Farm to Fork Agricultural Incident. Sandy will also attend a regional meeting in Valley City on February 21 entitled Emergency Management Back to the Basics. The state will be in Sargent County on February 26 & 27 to do a compliance check on 2003-2005 Homeland Security funds. An inspection will be conducted on potential shelter sites located in Sargent County to know what each facility has available.

Sparky Engquist joined the meeting and a discussion followed on reports due for work completed on Disaster 1597 and 1645. Sandy Hanson had received notification from the state EMS that reports for repair work completed on FEMA sites for 2005 and 2006 were late and beyond the deadline time extensions. Reports on several county road sites have not been submitted and the state has threatened to start the process of de-obligating the funds if the reports have not been received by March 7. Sparky was instructed to get this paper work processed and turned in to Sandy so FEMA funds can be distributed to the road fund. Sparky stated that he would try to have the reports to Sandy by Friday, February 22.

Bill Anderson presented a memo for townships and another for Sparky Engquist regarding sale of culverts, grader blades and other supplies. All township boards and contractors will receive a copy of the memo.

A silent auction for surplus property owned by the county was conducted. Bids were received for file cabinets, shelving, chairs, typewriter, computers and printers, copiers and tables. Motion to accept high bids for all items receiving a bid and authorize the County Auditor to dispose of unsold items as she sees fit and remove from inventory. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous)

North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) is conducting a study to determine what the counties, cities and state needs are for their roads and bridges through the local road needs assessment study. Steve Wyum, Damon DeVillers, Engineer, Interstate Engineering and Sparky Engquist, SC Road Supt. put information together for construction and maintenance costs, estimated roadway funding and estimated bridge construction and maintenance for 2008-2017. This information will be submitted to NDDOT for their consideration.

Gerald Dill and Lysle Coleman, Verner Township Supervisors and Sparky Engquist met with the commissioners to discuss the road situation between Section 19/30 and 20/29 in Verner Township. The roadway has had gravel a few times and is holding up well. This is a 2 mile segment of old Highway #11 that became Township road when the State abandoned it in the 1950's. In recent years it has carried an increased volume of heavy grain truck traffic. The commission and Verner Township Board of Supervisors are still agreeable to continue the existing agreement to share the cost of gravel 50/50 (upon mutual agreement that gravel is necessary) with Sargent County to continue to do the maintenance work and snow removal on the roadway. A motion made to make the existing agreement concerning this segment of Township road between Sargent County and Verner Township permanent. The terms of the agreement shall be continuous until terminated. Either party may terminate this agreement upon resolution by either body, provided that written notice is served three months prior to the termination date and in no event can this agreement be cancelled without the mutual agreement of the parties prior to December 31, 2008. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous)

Gerald Dill informed the commission that there is a hearing on the Keystone Pipeline project in Cogswell on March 10. The townships of Denver, Southwest and Verner, which are in the path of the pipeline, will conduct the hearing to consider the Keystone Company's applications for Township zoning permits. Mr. Dill invited the county commission to attend this hearing. Sparky Engquist reported that he had attended a meeting in Finley with other counties in the pipeline's path to discuss a uniform policy for all counties involved in the pipeline project. Crossing costs and performance bonds

were discussed. The various County road departments were developing uniform permit language for this purpose.

Sparky Engquist discussed road department issues, including highway equipment rental rates, road restriction policy, bridge map and inventory and culvert inventory. A system of marking culverts for the purpose of inventory control is being implemented by the road department, he reported.

Motion to adjourn at 3:10 p.m. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous)

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MAURICE ORN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR