

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on September 17th with the following members present: Scott Johnson, Wade Anderson, Mark Breker, Lyle Bopp and Jason Arth. Also present were Tia Bopp, County Auditor, Duane Peterson, Human Resources Director and Jayne Pfau, State's Attorney.

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to accept the agenda as amended. (Anderson/Breker) Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the 5 County meeting and possibly touring Tewaukon Refuge along with proposed agenda items.

New deputy auditor, Lindsay Bosse was introduced.

Richard Ruch arrived at the meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the font size used for the publication of county minutes in the The SC Teller. Motion to increase the font size on publicized minutes to 10 point. (Breker/Anderson) Roll call vote was taken. Voting yes were Anderson, Breker, Arth and Johnson. Voting no was Bopp. Motion carried.

Motion to allow Cindy Yagow, T/R/CoC to appoint Bobbi Maly to serve on the canvas board for the 2024 General Election. (Arth/Anderson) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve JDA application submitted by Michelle Geottle. (Breker/Arth) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the weed board and spraying. A lawn company was hired to do some spraying. The same company does work for LaMoure County.

Discussion on county road 2 was held.

The Commission moved into reviewing the monthly bills as presented.

Wendy Willprecht/EMS Coordinator, Travis Paeper, Sheriff and Trent Mahler, Ambulance Coordinator all arrived at the meeting.

Sheriff Paeper explained the details surrounding a grant his office had received. He also talked about the new vehicle wrap on the SRO vehicle that was covered by a health department grant.

T. Mahler and W. Willprecht were present to discuss the paying of the ambulance/1st responder bills. Based on the timing of the monthly meetings and timing of the approval of the bills by the commission, some bills aren't being paid by due dates. Discussion regarding the process going forward was held.

Additional discussion regarding the paying of the amount owed back to the county by the Forman Ambulance for the purchase of the last ambulance was discussed. This was tabled until more information could be researched.

Motion to sign Hazardous Mitigation Grant for the Silver Lake Storm Shelter Project. (Anderson/Bopp) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Paeper discussed with the board a bill that involved a dog that was taken and tested for rabies and the situation surrounding the same.

Motion to pay the bills as presented. (Bopp/Anderson) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

ACH	J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	Various Dept Expenses	751.21
ACH	Society for Human Resources	2024 Membership	264.00
87463	City of Forman	Water/sewer/garbage	21.38
87464	Ottertail Power Company	Electricity	2,158.91

87465	Ransom County	VSO Salary/Benefits	3,667.96
87469	Wex Health	Admin Fees	22.75
87470-87481		Health Unit Expenses	13,549.08
87490	AMS, Inc.	GPS Rental	100.00
87491	Avid Hawk	Website Services	70.00
87492	Bopp, Tia	Travel/Election Training	340.74
87493	Bryant, Richard	Transport/Fuel	152.15
87494	Cenex Fleet Card	Sheriff/Health Travel	110.99
87495	Dakota Plains Cooperative	Sheriff/Health/Tax Director Travel	2,007.89
87496	Dakota Water Solutions	5 Gallon Water Jugs	24.00
87497	Dickey Rural Networks	Telephone Services	937.19
87498	Everspring Suites-Bismarck	Election Training-Travel	192.60
87499	Forman Lumber	Concrete Sealant/Drill Bit Set	52.96
	Forum Communications		
87500	Printing	Estimated Tax Statements	1,895.79
87501	Gordy's Grill and Fill	Sheriff Car Wash	20.00
87502	Halmrast, Sharon	Election Training	58.00
87503	Hayen, LaJuana Anderson	Tax Director Supplies	56.00
87504	Information Tech Dept.	Wan Access/Netmotion Auditor	1,337.60
87505	Innovative Office Solutions	Supplies/Maintenance/Election	620.01
87506	J&M Printing	Supplies-Emergency Dept.	74.33
87507	Johnson, Heidi	Travel-NDCAA meeting	113.16
87508	Lexis Nexis-Matthew Bender	ND Century Code Book Updates	57.16
87509	Loffler	SO-Supplies	35.63
	Department of Human		
87510	Services	PB Meds/Processing Fees	760.08
87511	NDACo Resources Group	SmartZone	505.71
87512	Office of Attorney General	SCRAM	155.00
87513	Paeper, Travis	Carwash Reimbursement	9.00
87514	Red River Basin Commission	2024 Pledge 1/2 Share	1,735.50
87515	Richland County Jail	Prisoner Board	10,540.00
87516	Rutland Oil Company	Sheriff Gas Gwinner Tank	705.43
87517	South Side Automotive	Sheriff Dept Oil Change and Service	196.22
87518	The Teller	Publishing Legals/Help Wanted Ads	1,291.68
87519	Tyler Technologies	DocuPro E-Recording Support	257.29
57520	Verizon	Sheriff MiFi Cards	240.06
87521	Vestis	Courthouse Rug Service	193.30
87522	Walock-Johnson	Policy Change	157.00
87523	Weaving, Neil	Blank Keys for Mail Boxes	12.44
		Extension Rent September and	
87524	Wild Rice Soil Conservation	October	1,100.00
		Equipment Repairs-#9 Dump	
87525	A W Diesel Service	Truck,PB 379 #125 Red, Pup Trailer #128	7,300.21
87526	Aberdeen Chrysler Center	Repairs-1999 Dodge Ram 3500 #104	5,795.44
87527	Bargen, Inc.	Bridge and Road Repairs	179,473.28
		Gravel Only Cty # 1, 2A, 14, 2, 4,	
87528	Bear Creek Gravel Co.	4A	4,499.55
		Gravel Only Cty #5, 2, 7, 14, 12, 3	
87529	Bernard Mahrer Construction	and Stockpile	7,926.83
87530	Braaten, Marshall	Culvert	2,000.00
87531	Buck's Paving	Road Repair-Cty # 7	5,000.00
		Caterpillar 140-13A & 150-15AWD	
87532	Butler Machinery	Repair	1,361.82
87533	Christianson, Randy	Tire Repair	55.35
		Gravel/Rock Cty # 8,4,1,12,10,14, 2"	
87534	Crandall Construction	Rock, Rip Rap	17,984.22
87535	Enderson Construction	Gravel Cty # 14,5,12	3,239.07
57536	Faber, Tim	Supplies	115.00
87537	Forman Lumber	Weed Trimmer Rplc	8.49

87538	Gast Construction	CH Parking Lot	108,871.68
87539	Hansen Lumber	Battery Clamps	119.98
87540	IBBG Lawncare	Mowing @ County Shop	200.00
87541	Lee's Service	Gasoline and Repairs	261.50
87542	Morris Seal Coat	Seal Coating-Cty # 14	73,184.40
87543	NAPA Auto Parts	Chainsaw Bt	299.00
87543	Plunkett's	Pest Control	69.44
87545	RDO Equipment	Grader Repair	3,958.60
87546	Richland County Highway	Durapatching Demo	2,195.90
87547	Rutland Oil Company	Fuel-Road	2,495.28
87548	Sign Solutions	Road Sign	231.14
		Repair-2016 Chevy Silverado 2500	
87549	Southside Automotive	WT	35.31
87550	Vestis	Road Rug Service	253.64
87551	Visto's Carquest	Road Shop Tools, Repair	598.45
87552	Dickey Rural Networks	911 Trunks	231.00
87553	North Dakota State University	Extension Supplies	235.00
87554	Ambulance Claims Processing	Ambulance Supplies	176.00
87555	Jamestown EMS Education	Training	1,500.00
87556	City of Milnor	Ambulance Phone	61.92
		Sheriff Travel, Equip.; Extension	
ACH	J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	Supplies, Dues	1,474.88

A short recess was taken.

Upon reconvening at 10:24, a motion was made to sign the Sheriff's Office grant which was received in the amount of \$6,000. (Anderson/Bopp) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to sign Progressive Estimate No. 1 from Bituminous Seal Coat and Patching. (Breker/Anderson) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Change Order No. 2 received from Gast Construction for the parking lot reconstruction and lighting project was discussed. Four requests were made and completed. Motion to approve and sign Change Order Request No. 2. (Bopp/Arth) Roll call vote was taken. Voting yes were Arth, Breker, Bopp and Johnson. Voting no was Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion to approve out of state travel for Tim Faber, Road Supervisor, as requested by Commission Chair Johnson. (Arth/Bopp) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Application for Drainage Work as submitted by Tyler Speich. (Arth/Anderson) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Tim Faber, Road Supervisor, and Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, arrived at the meeting.

Mr. DeVillers does not anticipate any further change orders being needed for the courthouse reconstruction of parking lot and lighting project.

Discussion was held regarding the replacement of White Bridge. The water board has offered to help. Tewaukon Refuge is applying for funding, however, any funding they receive won't be available until 2027. The Commissioners will be talking with the DOT at the convention in October about this project.

Richard Ruch mentioned there is a railroad crossing on county road 4 that is quite bad. He also suggested asking the DOT when Highway 11 will get done.

T. Faber indicated he has a candidate that has several years of blading experience that is interested in part-time work. Motion to authorize part-time blade help through December 31st for the road department with a start date of September 23rd. (Anderson/Bopp) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the spending of up to \$8,000 to cover the front lift group for the newest blade. (Breker/Arth) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

T. Faber informed the group he is pricing salt sheds, but is still waiting on the cement wall prices.

T. Faber also informed the commission about a rock truck that had tipped over on county road 14. He was putting together a bill for the clean up.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m..

SCOTT JOHNSON, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

TIA BOPP – COUNTY AUDITOR