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Forman, North Dakota
March 5, 2013

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: David L Jacobson, Bill Anderson, Mike Walstead and Jerry Waswick. Absent: Steve Wyum. Also present was Paige Cary, the Sargent County Teller.

Approve minutes of February 19, 2013 meeting as revised. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous)

Dave Jacobson reported on the upcoming Gwinner Airport project. He attended the preconstruction conference in Gwinner on February 19. Dave also attended the Big Stone South to Ellendale meeting in Britton, SD. There is still a chance that a small portion of western Sargent County will be included. This meeting was primarily discussing wind energy and current projects underway.

The Board received notification that the Court Facilities Improvement Advisory Committee approved a grant to Sargent County in the amount of \$9,257.13, which reflects the 25% contribution by the county. The grant award is for a 60" TV and wall mount for the courtroom; DVD player; 12 juror chairs; 4 courtroom chairs; light fixtures (courtroom, hallway, jury room, judge's chambers and clerks offices); locking door handle, refinish tables and repair jury box railing.

Cogswell City has been informed that Lake Agassiz Regional Council has approved a grant of \$220,000 for the City's proposed flood mitigation project. The City has secured a sizable grant from the North Dakota Water Commission, and will have to provide a local match of about \$32,000 to see the project through, if current cost estimates hold.

The City of Gwinner is requesting the county to sponsor a project through the Safe Route to School for construction of sidewalk improvements in 3 locations in areas surrounding the North Sargent School District, construction of sidewalk improvements, at-grade railroad crossings for safety, cross walks, handicap ramps, signage and educational, encouragement and evaluation events in the schools. A total of 2,950 LF of sidewalk and crosswalks are proposed to be constructed. The total cost estimate of the project is \$255,000 with \$55,000 from Gwinner City and \$200,000 from ND Dept. of Transportation. Authorize the Chairman to sign the application for the Safe Routes to School project. (Walstead/Anderson, unanimous)

Motion to schedule a Non-agenda employee meeting on April 2, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous)

Authorize the Chairman to sign amendment #02 of Sargent County's Community Development Block Grant Financial Award to deobligate \$66,000 in unused CDBG project funds per Request for Amendment #01 for Dakota Micro, Inc. from Lake Agassiz Regional Council. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, Inc. and Rob Bundy, Tewaukon National Wildlife Refuge met with the Board. Mr. Bundy explained about a federal application for roads and structures on federal land known as the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP). He is requesting that the county consider County Road # 12 through the refuge and Bridge 129-19 for replacement under this program. A lengthy discussion followed on what is required to meet the criteria for such a project. Commissioner Anderson stated that these projects would be an asset to the area and to get County # 12 resurfaced would be a huge improvement. Motion to authorize Interstate Engineering, Inc. to submit an application for FLAP to acquire funding for the above mentioned project. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous) Motion to proceed with exploring mitigated acres with Tewaukon National Wildlife Refuge for upcoming projects. (Walstead/Waswick. Roll call. Aye: Anderson, Waswick, Jacobson, Walstead. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Wyum. Motion carried)

Motion to call for bids for a township bridge repair project in Herman Township (Project IE#W12-03-020, PA-08-ND-1907-PW-01395(0)P – FEMA #STBR03C. The project will consist of the following quantities: 1092 CY of Borrow; 347 CY of loose rock rip rap; installation of 60 LF of 120 inch 10 gauge CMP; 17 CY of aggregate bedding and 163 ton of hot bituminous pavement Class 27. Bids will be received by the Sargent County Auditor until 10:00 a.m. on March 29, 2013 and publicly opened and read aloud. (Walstead/Anderson, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

DAVID L JACOBSON

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR