

Forman, North Dakota
March 6, 2007

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

Sargent County Water Resource Board members Mark Breker, Dan Jacobson, Roger White, Jim Bosse, and Richard Engst met with the Commission to discuss replacement of culverts, repair of Silver Lake dam, and improvements to Drain #3. Approve 40% cost share participation in replacement of culvert on Co. Road #3 west of Elwood Anderson's between sections 23/26-130-57 on legal drain #11 with work being done by Titus Excavating. (Waswick/Orn, unanimous). Merrill Engquist, Road Supt, and Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, joined the meeting. Damon submitted three options to alleviate ditch bank erosion on County Road #14 south of Geneseo on Drain #3. After discussion of options with the members of the Water Resource Board, a motion was made to proceed with Option #1 to add four curved sections to the box culvert at an estimated cost of \$26950. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous). The County and the Water Resource District will cost share 40%/60% with the County Road Dept. doing the work. The Water Resource Board members also unanimously preferred Option #1.

Richard Engst, Tri-County Drain representative, reported that Sargent County's 20% share of the cost to replace a culvert on Tri-County Drain #1/Lateral Drain #6, and for rip rap on culverts replaced in fall of 2005 is \$5567. Total cost was \$27836. He also submitted a bill for installation of four culverts on Tri-County Drain #1/Lateral Drain #6 east of DeLamere totaling \$50074. After FEMA payment, Sargent County's 40% share is \$17137. Motion to approve payment of these two bills as required by North Dakota Century code 61-21-31. (Waswick/Orn, unanimous).

Approve minutes of February 20, 2007 meeting as corrected. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous)

Norm Preble, Tax Director, will contact Brampton Farm Service to attend March 27th meeting to discuss the application for Payments in Lieu of Taxes for property tax incentives.

Personnel Board Chairperson Gina Hillestad was requested to have the Personnel Board review and refine the proposed Holiday Pay Policy and bring the revised draft to the March 27th meeting for the Commission's consideration.

Motion to authorize Commissioner Jerry Waswick, Auditor Sherry Hosford, Sheriff Travis Paeper, and States Attorney Lyle Bopp to open bids for the sale of the 2004 Durango on March 12th. (Wyum/Walstead, unanimous).

Colleen Sundquist, Sargent County Health Administrator, presented a proposed Sargent County Body Art Establishments ordinance which has been reviewed and approved by the Sargent County Health Board and by Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney. Motion to adopt the proposed Body Art Establishment ordinance with the first reading being held at this meeting. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous). The motion was tabled for final consideration at the March 27 meeting. Colleen will attend the March 27th meeting at which amendments can be discussed and approved during this second reading of the ordinance. Colleen reported that a stand-alone generator for the Health Dept. Bldg. on Main Street, Forman, has been purchased with money from Terrorism Funds to insure that the Health Dept will be completely functional if an emergency occurs.

Quentin Hoistad, Park Board Chairman, presented a check for \$500 from the Ashley Lions Club in conjunction with the No Name Bar, Forman, to be used for improvements around the fishing and boat docks.

Schedule an Open Forum Meeting to be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11th, at Forman City Hall in observance of County Government Week. (Wyum/Waswick/unanimous).

Motion to re-schedule the March 20th regular meeting of the Sargent County Commission to be held on Tuesday, March 27th, at 9 a.m. (Waswick/Orn, unanimous). The commissioners and auditor will be attending the County Officials Academy in Bismarck on the 20th.

Motion to accept Court Facilities Grant Award in the amount of \$25,537, reflecting 25% contribution by Sargent County and 75% from the Court Facilities Improvement Grant Fund. (Walstead/Orn, unanimous).

Motion to schedule an Employee Non-agenda Meeting on Tuesday, April 17, at 1 p.m. in second floor conference room. (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous).

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Bill Anderson – Chairman

Attest:

Elaine D. Anderson – Deputy Auditor