

April 17, 2001
Forman, North Dakota

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Steve Wyum, Bill Smith, Ray Brockman, Donald Wehlander and Karen Anderson. Absent none.

Approve April 3, 2001 minutes. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Don Wehlander reported on an ambulance request for rate increases as per the Heart of America Med. Center, who is the billing agency for the ambulance squads. The new base rate for Advance Life Support (BCBS allowable) is \$416 and \$5.40/mile mileage rate. The ambulance squads are requesting \$425 and \$5.50. Approve the Blue Cross/Blue Shield amount and not the excess amount requested by the ambulance squads. (Smith/Anderson, unanimous)

Authorize the Chairman and Auditor to sign the Contract and Contract Bond with Morris Seal Coat & Trucking Inc. for the 2001 seal coat project amounting to \$223,286.65. (Smith/Wyum, unanimous)

Several department heads met with the Board to discuss an updated phone system with voice mail. Estimates were received from two companies for \$11,194 and \$11,286. The Board discussed replacing the system and agreed to contact the companies to meet with them and discuss their products.

Approve re-appointment of Jeanne Hoistad, Forman, Dale Fuhrman, Milnor and appointment of Patty Woytassek, Havana to a five-year term on the SC District Health Board. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous)

The Board placed a conference call to Ron Kresbach, McLaen County Commissioner, to discuss the NDACO request for support of the adoption of Navigational Support guidelines, which help raise water levels in Lake Sakakawea. The Board will submit a letter to the US Corps of Engineers and copies to the US Congressional delegates and the Governor of ND. (Brockman/Anderson, unanimous)

Sandy Hanson met with the Board and submitted the quarterly report for approval by the Board. The multi-hazard mitigation plan was also discussed, which is required by the federal government to those entities that received EMA monies. Hazard-mitigation is any cost-effective action that will reduce, limit and/or prevent people and property from being harmed. A task force group is being appointed to review the hazard mitigation plan and also assist in training for the various participants. Approve proclamation designating Severe Summer Awareness Week on April 30-May 4. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous) Sandy is also working with Ransom County to develop their task force because their emergency manager has not received all the training.

Edward Zetocha appeared to discuss the abatement for taxes he filed on the SW1/4-19-132-57. He is asking for a reduction on the 2000 taxes. Vivian Township denied the request based on a comparison of the surrounding lands. After discussion the Board agreed to table this decision until receipt of additional input from the Tax Director.

Ray Zajac, H & R Land Company appeared to discuss the abatement for taxes filed on land in Hall Township. The township denied the abatement because the income off of the CRP wasn't affected by the inundated acres. Mr. Zajac presented state law that explains the inundated land guidelines. Lyle Bopp, States Attorney arrived to review the opinions from the Attorney General. After further review, the Board concurred with the township. (Smith/Anderson, unanimous)

Dorothy Person, DMG Maximus, Lyle Bopp and Gina Hillestad arrived at the meeting. Dorothy proceeded to conduct discussion on the classification and compensation study. Following this meeting, Dorothy conducted employee meetings and an orientation session on the study.

Sparky Engquist met with the Board to review road issues. The crack filling on pavement before the seal coat project begins would cost approximately \$9,750. Approved. There is a pickup at the state auction, 1999 Dodge ½ ton extended cab 4x4 with 43,000 miles. The Board authorized Sparky to check into the purchase. Some culvert problems have occurred since the last meeting with spring run off, rusted out pipes, frozen pipes and muskrat problems. Read a letter from Donald and Joyce Murack on Bridge 132-13 and Sparky will make the necessary repairs.

Approve Sargent County Road Permit to Dickey Rural Communications Inc. to proceed with Rutland City and Cayuga City cable improvements according to a map attached to the permit. (Smith/Brockman, unanimous)

The Board discussed costs incurred for county burials. Effective immediately, as per NDCC 23-06, directs the Social Service Director to allocate \$2000 for indigent burials. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

A discussion on the Focus Group for the job plan. The Chairman appointed the SC Personnel Board, Lyle Bopp and Roslyn Amerman to the group.

Approve payment of the following bills and April payroll in the sum of \$69,221.96. (Brockman/Wyum, unanimous)

Social Service expenditures		8615.71
Weed Board expenditures		73.86
41065 Anderson Law Office	JDA documents	270.00
41066 Scott Buckhouse	Stop Violence salary	161.10
41067 CPU	DP Charges	473.03
41068 Charles Gates	Stop Violence salary	415.27
41069 Julie Hassebroek	Computer software	89.94
41071 ITD	T-1 & anti-virus	291.62
41072 NDACo	Computer supplies	80.00
41073 NDDHS	FC & MC	970.86
41074 NDSU	Paper	29.50
41075 Travis Paeper	Stop Violence salary	173.80
41076 Q West	911	289.77
41077 SC Insurance	Boiler coverage	742.74
41078 Roslyn Amerman	Vacuum cleaner	52.99
41079 Amoco	Travel	23.24
41080 B & K Electric	Repairs	11.80
41081 Barnes Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	495.00
41082 BW Doublewood Inn	Lodging	504.00
41083 Lyle Bopp	Travel	271.56
41084 Buhl's	Cleaning service	173.68
41085 Case & Bopp Law Office	Rent & cell phone	411.98
41086 Chunky's	Car service	93.50
41087 Dacotah Paper Co.	Supplies	51.52
41088 Diversified Communications	Telephone	115.00
41089 DOCS	Labor	685.00
41090 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas, fuel & repairs	3852.44
41091 Forman Drug	Supplies	3.26
41092 Hardware Hank	Supplies	92.55
41093 Holiday Inn	Lodging	84.00
41094 Sherry Hosford	Registration	25.00
41095 ILG	Cont. Ed. & Registration	800.00
41096 Lisbon Medical Center	Blood Alcohol	29.00
41097 Martinsen's Home Center	Repairs	466.07
41098 Minn-kota Communications	Radio repairs	45.00
41099 NDACo	Workers Comp assessment	145.44
41100 Field Service Division	Parole & Probation	900.00
41101 NDSC	Dues	60.00
41102 ND State Radio	Teletype & 911	1435.20
41103 No Name Bar	4 tables	120.00
41104 Oahe Windshield Inc.	County car windshield	50.00
41105 Officeland	Supplies	91.30
41106 Popp Binding	Supplies	21.71
41107 Quill Corp.	Supplies	351.81
41108 Remily's	Supplies	7.88
41109 SEL Lumber Inc.	Repairs	343.67
41110 Stein's	Supplies	299.32
41111 The Teller	Publishing fees	272.39
41112 Verizon	Cell phone	27.01
41113 Viking Office Products	Supplies	147.76
41114 Don Wehlender	Travel	306.00
41115 Steve Wyum	Travel	280.80
41116 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	492.39
41117 Butler Machinery Co.	Repairs	147.56
41118 Diamond Mowers Inc.	Repairs	972.00
41119 Ekstrom Repair	Repairs	1772.13
41120 Fargo Tire Service	Tires	1360.00
41121 Farm Plan	Repairs	1.75
41122 Forman Repair	Repairs	5.80
41123 Harris Machine Co.	Repairs	339.51
41124 Nelson International	Repairs	130.12
41125 RDO Equipment	Repairs	543.27
41126 3D Specialties	Repairs	175.50

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

DONALD WEHLANDER - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR