

Forman, North Dakota
April 20, 2004

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Karen Anderson, Don Wehlander, Mike Walstead, Steve Wyum and Ray Brockman. Absent None.

Also present for County Government Week: Trevor Hansen and Ben Ponzer, North Sargent School, Brittany Ordahl and Helen Wall, Milnor School and Jim Cramton and Lisa Pherson, Sargent Central School.

Approve April 6, 2004 minutes as corrected. (Brockman/Anderson, unanimous) The Board received a copy of the March 2004 financial statement.

Reappoint Judy Ringdahl, Oakes and Harris L. Anderson, Havana to Sargent County District Board of Health for five years. (Walstead/Wehlander, unanimous)

Approve April 1, 2004 step increase for all employees not on probation and not at the maximum step 10. (Wehlander/Brockman, unanimous)

The students left the meeting to visit each office in the courthouse to learn about county government.

Lyle Bopp arrived at the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Sandy Hanson, EMA, met to discuss the 911 Street Name Signs agreement on NDDOT right-of-way from the NDDOT. She would like to talk to the Fargo District Office and find out where the liability lies with placement of signs. The Board will confer with Sparky Engquist on this agreement. Sandy discussed what is happening with the Homeland Security Funds and is talking with the local entities about placing orders for equipment. She reported that Dickey County hired a new EMA Director and he will begin working May 3. She may work a few days with him to explain some of the duties. Her status with Dickey County will terminate after his training. Sandy is concerned due to increased duties with Homeland Security mapping and hazard mitigation plans. Approve temporary full-time employment status for Sandy Hanson effective May 1 based on 100% of benefits on that date. The job duties will be re-visited in six months. (Wehlander/Anderson, unanimous)

The Board recessed to a Park Board meeting.

The Board reconvened at 11:20 following a break for County Government Week honoring the county employees with breakfast pizza and juice.

Several concerned citizens arrived at the meeting to discuss the proposed redistricting plan for the county ambulance service. A meeting was held Monday, April 19 with the ambulance squads and the Gwinner First Responders. A good discussion was held and the group would like to further investigate several options. Another meeting is scheduled for April 29 and the information will be brought to the commission on May 4. There is concern that the issue of ambulance service must have a concrete direction and the public informed of that decision.

The Board proceeded to open bids for the Sargent County Courthouse Window Replacement Project. Those present were Doc Nelson and Roz Amerman, Custodians; Kerry Peuser, MJB, Architects; Brett Scherr, Scherr Construction Co., Inc., Valley City, ND and Bill Brodeur, Diversified Contractors, Inc., Fargo, ND. Diversified Contractors, Inc. bid was \$127,800 and Scherr Construction Co., Inc. bid was \$174,800. Accept the bid from Diversified Contractors, Inc. for Base Bid and Alternates No. 1, 2, 2a and 3. (Walstead/Wehlander. Roll call vote: Yes: Walstead, Wehlander, Anderson, Brockman, Wyum. No: None. Motion carried unanimously)

Sparky Engquist, Road Dept. and Sandy Hanson, EMA met with the Board to discuss the 911 Street Name Signs agreement with NDDOT. Sparky received the agreement from the local road district foreman. Approve agreement. (Wehlander/Brockman, unanimous) Sparky proceeded to review a list of projects for 2004 including graveling roads, overlays, seal coats, striping and road building. Also on the list are dust control, bridge projects, road widening, slope work, tree removal and culvert work. A trip to Canada to view the EN1 has been scheduled for April 27 with Ransom County. Discussed inventory of used tires, culverts, cutting edges and bridge planks and procedure for resale. Lyle Bopp suggested that the county have a surplus property sale every six months for items owned by the county. Sparky was advised to use discretion in disposal of items. Sparky asked permission to rent a 6-way dozer for slope work on County Road Nos. 4 and 10 and other areas. Total per month is \$2800. Authorize rental of dozer on a monthly basis. (Wehlander/Walstead, unanimous)

Travis Paeper, Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss the Deputy Matron work schedule. Motor Vehicle work will be handled from 3:30 –6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and the public will be notified of these hours. Brenda will be back to work full-time on May 10. The Board felt this schedule would work for the public. Deputy Hardy has failed to meet the standards of a Sargent County Sheriff's Deputy. Upon recommendation of Sheriff Paeper, the Sargent County Commission has agreed to ask for the resignation of Todd Hardy. (Wehlander/Walstead, unanimous)

Approve sale of several surplus property items and disposal of monitor #1494. (Walstead/Wehlander, unanimous) The sale will be advertised and sealed bids received until 4:00 p.m. May 17. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on May 18.

Approve payment of the following bills and April payroll in the sum of \$89242.23. (Anderson/Brockman, unanimous)

Weed Board Expenses		5763.67
48986 Adamson Industries Corp.	Durango equipment	305.00
48987 Earl W Anderson Jr.	Mental Health Hearing	135.00
48988 BP Amoco	Sheriff-travel	60.76
48989 Ray Brockman	Travel	123.38
48990 Buhl's	Cleaning service	222.95
48991 Case & Bopp	Rent and cell phone	205.99
48992 Cellular One	Sheriff & EMA cell phone charges	162.48
48993 Comfort Inn	Auditor & 911 lodging	90.00
48994 Computer Software Ass'n	Supplies	69.80
48995 Dacotah Paper Co.	Supplies	19.61
48996 DRN	Phone charges	559.48
48997 DOCS	Labor	100.00
48998 Dyste's	Supplies & County Govt. Week	172.56
48999 Empire Feed	23.63 ton coal	803.42
49000 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas and repairs	853.57
49001 Forman City	Garbage bags	250.00
49002 Gall's Inc.	Sheriff equipment and uniforms	522.95
49003 Hardware Hank	Bulbs and supplies	333.75
49004 Gina Hillestad	Travel	55.80
49005 Sherry Hosford	Travel	162.60
49006 ILG	Continuing Education	295.00
49007 L & L Construction	Labor on Main St. Building	1000.00
49008 Lexis Nexis	NDCC Updates	173.35
49009 Martinsen's	Repairs and tools	645.64
49010 McLeod USA	Long distance phone charges	303.69
49011 ND Treasurer's Ass'n	Dues & Registration	95.00
49012 ND Dept. of Corrections	Parole & Probation	900.00
49013 ND Safety Council	2004 Dues	60.00
49014 ND State Radio	Teletype rental	120.00
49015 Allen Nelson	Assessor	34.61
49016 Nick of Time	Homeland Security	450.00
49017 Officeland	Supplies	17.99
49018 Prairie-St. John's	Evaluation	2500.00
49019 Quill Corp.	Supplies & equipment	365.22
49020 Richland Co. Corrections	Prisoner Board	3970.00
49021 Russ Maine Floor Covering	Main St. Building floor covering labor	931.65
49022 Stein's Inc.	Supplies	147.46
49023 The Teller	Publishing fees	676.53
49024 Viking Office Supplies	Paper & supplies	168.94
49025 Don Wehlander	Travel	124.00
49026 Florian Wisnewski	Assessor	38.02
49027 Steve Wyum	Travel	381.76
49028 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	1669.64
49029 Butler Machinery	Repairs	267.85
49030 Dakota Wholesale Tire	Tires	219.77
49031 Drummond America	Repairs	100.03
49032 Ekstrom Repair	Repairs	246.12
49033 Hansen Lumber	Repairs	9.99
49034 Kustom Machine	Repairs	87.08
49035 KW Service	Repairs	146.12
49036 Minn-Kota Communications	Radio repairs	211.50
49037 Parts Supply	Repairs	14.92

49038 Nelson Bulk Oil	Fuel	2027.04
49039 Nelson International	Repairs	91.74
49040 O'Day Equipment	Repairs	60.80
49041 Ray Mac Inc.	Repairs	35.69
49042 Royal Tire Inc.	Tires	256.19
49043 Ralph Smith	Tires	600.00
49044 SE Propane	Propane	346.80
49045 Sweeney Bros. 118.03	Repairs	
49046 Home Shop	Fire extinguishers	73.55
49047 Zep Mfg. Co.	Repairs	79.75
49048 Ramkota Hotel	Extension lodging	180.68
49049 CPU	Data Processing Charges	563.39
49050 DRT	911 Contracts	259.00
49051 First National Insurance	Premium charges	291.00
49052 Candy Hansen	Travel	147.00
49053 Julie Hassebroek	Travel	167.59
49054 ITD	WAN Access and anti-virus	393.00
49055 Iowa 4-H Foundation	Supplies	25.00
49056 Lisa Knox	Travel	84.20
49057 NDACO	Technical support and equipment	1344.14
49058 NDDOT	SC 4111(063), 4125(056), 4103(055)	17645.58
49059 ND State Radio	911 wireless contract	2077.80
49060 NDSU Extension	Dues	30.00
49061 CDFS Extension	Printing/books	10.35
49062 Office Max	Supplies	241.05
49063 Travis Paeper	DARE Salary	500.00
49064 Norm Preble	Travel	62.00
49065 Qwest	911 Contracts	287.82
49066 Sargent County Ins.	Boiler Coverage increase	84.00
49067 Starion Bond Services	GO Bond payment	61045.25
49068 Stutsman County	Staff Support	690.00
49069 911 Magazine	Subscription	26.95
Social Service Expenditures		8223.94

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

STEVEN R. WYUM, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR