

Forman, North Dakota  
April 21, 2015

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 10:15 a.m. with the following members present: Mike Walstead, David L Jacobson, Bill Anderson, Sherry Hosford, and Jerry Waswick. Also present was Paige Cary, the Sargent County Teller.

Approve minutes of April 7, 2015 meeting as corrected. (Anderson/Hosford, unanimous)

Russ Martinson, Scott Mund & Terry Wehlander, Hall Township Supervisors; Lance Hogness, Hall Township resident; Daro Crandall, Jason Arth & Louie Gaukler, Herman Township Supervisors; Merrill Engquist, Sargent County Road Supervisor; and, Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering; attended the meeting to further discuss the proposed grade raise and replacement of Bridges #135-05.0 & 135-05.1 between Sections 25 & 26 over the Wild Rice River in Hall Township, and also the removal of Bridges #136-05.1 on the east side of Section 25; #135-05.2 in Section 26; & #135-06.0 between Section 35 in Hall Township & Section 2 in Herman Township. The township supervisors indicated that residents favored the proposed improvements, but hesitate to eliminate the other routes involved. A number of alternative suggestions were made, & Damon will take those into consideration and bring back other scenarios to the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting at 10:30.

Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney, arrived at the meeting at this time.

Damon DeVillers provided the commission with a bid tabulation from the bid opening at the April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting for the 3 Surge Funding Paving Projects on County Roads #2, #10 and #14. Recommendation to accept the low bid from Mark Sand & Gravel for Section 4, including Alternates 1 & 2, in the amount of \$2,697,694. Motion to accept the bid from Mark Sand & Gravel. (Waswick/Anderson) Roll Call Vote: Yes – Waswick, Anderson, Hosford & Walstead. No – Jacobson. Motion carried.

Jesse Mastenbrook, Sargent County Insurance; & Kristine Radke, Walock-Johnson Insurance; arrived at the meeting. Based on the amount of time & work involved in switching agents, motion to continue with Sargent County Insurance and Real Estate as the agent for the county. (Jacobson/Hosford) Roll Call Vote: Yes – Jacobson & Hosford. No – Anderson & Walstead. Recuse – Waswick. Motion failed. Motion to retain Walock-Johnson Insurance as the agent for the county for a term of 5 years. (Anderson/failed for lack of second) Motion to retain Sargent County Insurance and Real Estate as the agent for the county for a five year period. (Hosford/Jacobson) Roll Call Vote: Yes – Jacobson, Hosford & Walstead. No – Anderson. Recuse – Waswick. Motion carried.

Darwayne & Ardith Crandall of Crandall Construction, Inc., Cayuga, arrived at the meeting with concerns about the address on the envelope containing the gravel contract they had been sent by Sargent County. The contract had been sent to an incorrect address, but they had eventually received it. Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney, apologized for the error & will use the correct address for future mailings.

Travis Paeper, Sargent County Sheriff, met with the commission to discuss the County Sheriff's Department's participation in an internship program through Valley City State University. He has been approached by a student from Sargent County who is interested in interning in his office throughout the summer months. This is at no cost to the county other than the \$12 worker's compensation volunteer coverage. Motion to approve the Sheriff's Department's participation in said internship program for 2015. (Hosford/Anderson, unanimous)

Travis Paeper & Sandra Hanson, Emergency Manager, met with the commission to discuss the fire ban in Sargent County put in place by the Governor of North Dakota. They did respond to some calls last week and there have been 2 criminal complaints filed in the District Court for Sargent County by Lyle Bopp, State's Attorney. Mr. Bopp stated that it would be helpful if witnesses could provide law enforcement with the names of those persons observed setting fires in violation of the Governor's Executive Order.

Bids were opened for surplus property owned by Sargent County. Motion to accept all high bids on all items for which bids had been received; authorizing the County Auditor to offer all items for which a bid had not been received to the public for \$1.00 per item; and, authorizing the County Auditor to dispose of remaining items as she deems appropriate. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous)

Kari Gilje & Darci Weber, Sargent County Social Workers, arrived at the meeting. April is Child Abuse Awareness Month, and Sargent/Ransom Counties had received grant funds that would allow presentations on Child Abuse Awareness at the three county schools and at the daycare centers in the area. The commission commended and thanked Ms. Weber and Ms. Gilje for their initiative in

obtaining the grant funding and for their pro-active steps to prevent the abuse of children in Sargent County.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m.

The board reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

Board members proceeded to review all bills. Motion to approve the April payroll in the sum of \$179,007.00 (Nos. 10700-10756 and 71143-71158) and the following bills: (Anderson/Waswick, motion carried)

71066-71067		Weed Board Expenses	286.20
71076		Human Service Expenses	107.01
71091	Ransom County	VSO Salary/Benefits	766.74
71092-71107		Health Unit Expenses	1,416.00
71108	Forman City	Water/Sewer/Garbage	165.65
71109	Ottertail Power	Electricity	3,340.23
71111	ND Game & Fish	G & F Licenses	5,716.00
71112-71124		Health Expenses	5,667.94
71125	Sargent County Treasurer	Abatement	617.32
71129-71142		Human Service Expenses	6,631.26
71159	B & K Electric	Electrical Services	308.80
71160	Buhl's, Inc.	Cleaning Services	205.05
71161	Cenex Fleetcard	Auditor/Health Travel	131.00
71162	Dacotah Paper Co.	Copy Paper	605.40
71163	Dakota Plains	Gas Purchases	61.36
71164	Dakota Water Solutions	Water Jugs	48.00
71165	Dickey Rural Networks	Telephone	909.01
71166	Forman Drug	Batteries	9.98
71167	Forman Market	Supplies	17.61
71168	FP Mailing Solutions	Postage Meter Rental	135.00
71169	Gwinner Transfer, Inc.	Oil Change	76.08
71170	Hardware Hank	Supplies	160.83
71171	Hillestad, Gina	Recorder Travel	103.50
71172	Hoag & Sons' Book Bindery, Inc.	Tellers Bound	101.23
71173	J & M Printing	Envelopes	228.48
71174	Jacobson Plbg., Htg. & Excavating	Building Maintenance	613.96
71175	Johnson, Bryan	Sheriff Travel	52.50
71176	Kozok, David	Sheriff Travel	299.76
71177	ND Association of Counties	Maloney Registration	110.00
71178	ND County Treasurer's Ass'n 2015 Dues		200.00
71179	ND Emergency Management Ass'n	2015 Membership Dues	30.00
71180	ND Sheriff's & Deputies Ass'n	2015 Membership Dues	50.00
71181	Paeper, Travis	Carwash	9.00
71182	Peterson, Brenda	Sheriff Travel	52.50
71183	Quill.com	Office Supplies	369.56
71184	Reardon Office Equipment	Office Supplies/Copier Lease	365.21
71185	SC Teller	Printing/Publishing	715.67
71186	Stein's Inc.	Towels/Soap	172.67
71187	UND	Gov't Officials Directory	22.00
71188	Verizon Wireless	WI-FI Mobile Cards	160.04
71189	Border States Paving	Hot Mix	15,198.00
71190	Dakota Plains	Oil/Gloves	60.30
71191	Diesel Machinery, Inc.	Trackhoe Repair	28,643.39
71192	Ekstrom Repair	Lowboy Repair	3,269.02
71193	Federal Publishing	2015 Compliance Journal	298.50
71194	Interstate Engineering	Engineering Services	6,825.00
71195	Martinsen's Home Center	Supplies	351.30
71196	NDDOT	Road Repairs	8,856.62
71197	Ray-Mac, Inc.	Angle Iron	112.00
71198	RDO Equipment	Couplers	73.41
71199	Southside Automotive	Tire Repair	45.13
71200	Visto's Carquest	Fuel Tanks	397.38
71201	AMS	Daily Monitoring Fees	163.80
71202	Avid Hawk, LLC	Web Services	45.00
71203	Blawat, Melissa	Extension Travel	300.98
71204	Bryant, Rick	Carwash	18.00
71205	Rader, Cody	SCRAM Refund	10.00

71206	Comp. Prof Unlimited, Inc.	Data Processing	1,106.70
71207	Crossroads Community Advisors	JDA Professional Services	1,500.00
71208	Dakota Plains	Gasoline Purchases	653.59
71209	Dickey Rural Networks	911 Contract	247.00
71210	City of Forman	Hall Rent	90.00
71211	Gwinner One-Stop, Inc.	Gas Purchases	526.30
71212	Information Tech Dept.	WANS/LERMS	607.55
71213	Johnson, Bryan	Sheriff Travel	96.60
71214	Klapperich, Cindy	FCS Travel	126.59
71215	Kozok, David	Sheriff Travel	115.00
71216	LaQuinta Inn & Suites	Sheriff Travel	74.70
71217	NDACo	911/Wireless	1,842.15
71218	ND Community Corrections Assoc.	VIS Insurance	10.50
71219	ND State Radio Communications	State Radio Contract	120.00
71220	ND Workforce Safety	Volunteer Coverage	37.35
71221	Office of Attorney General	SCRAM 24/7	2,030.00
71222	PharmChem Inc.	SweatPatch Analysis	200.00
71223	Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	715.00
71224	SC Treasurer	Extension Postage	119.95
71225	Universal Services	Toner	486.00
71226	Vanguard Appraisals, Inc.	Network Service Renewal	1,600.00
71227	VISA	Extension Travel	82.54
71228	Wahler, Kyle	SCRAM Refund	30.00

Melissa Blawat, Extension Agent and Cindy Klapperich, Family and Consumer Science Agent met with the commission to report on the activities of the County's Extension Service office personnel from January through March 2015. The commission commended the County's Extension Service personnel for their excellent programs and outstanding effort on behalf of the people of Sargent County.

Quotes have been received to replace or repair the roof on the Sargent County Highway Shop as follows: Replace old rubber roof with new rubber roof: Centimark-\$39,635.00; M. J. Dahlsin-\$32,412.00; and, R & A Contracting-\$38,000.00; Replace rubber roof with rafters and metal roofing: Enderson Construction (materials & labor)-\$51,000.00; and, L & L Construction (labor only) - \$18,200.00; and, Repair existing rubber roof: R & A Construction-\$13,000.00. Motion to repair the existing roof and to authorize the chairman to contact R & A Contracting and prepare a contract hiring R & A Contracting to perform the repairs at a price of \$13,000.00. (Hosford/Jacobson, unanimous)

Jerry Waswick left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Motion to hire Joe Butler for the full-time custodian position at a Grade 5/Step 4, with a starting date for employment longevity purposes of November 1, 2014, the date that he assumed the duties on a full time/temporary basis. (Jacobson/Anderson, unanimous)

The Forman Shade Tree Committee is offering to purchase & plant 2 American Elm trees on the courthouse lawn to replace several diseased and damaged trees that have been removed the last few seasons. Motion to cooperate with the Forman Shade Tree Committee to replace trees on the courthouse grounds that have recently been lost due to Dutch Elm Disease, and that the custodian & courthouse commissioner coordinate with Forman Shade Tree Committee for the full restoration of the trees on the Courthouse block, and for the beautification of the County Seat. (Anderson/Hosford, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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MIKE WALSTEAD - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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PAM MALONEY - AUDITOR