

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Maurice Orn, Mike Walstead, Steve Wyum, Jerry Waswick, and Bill Anderson. Others present: Lyle Bopp, States Attorney and Holly Jessen, The Sargent County Teller.

Approve May 6, 2008 minutes as corrected. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous). Commissioners received the April financial statement.

The Board proceeded to open bids for various acres of County owned property to be hayed for the 2008 season including 12.0 acres located near the fair grounds in Forman and 11.4 acres of hay land located north of Silver Lake, Sargent County, ND. One bid was received from Wade Anderson, Havana for \$290 to hay the 11.4 acres north of Silver Lake. Accept Anderson bid. (Wyum/Anderson, unanimous)

Approve May payroll in the sum of \$137,732.54 (#'s1971-2032 and 59104-59114) and all bills presented. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous):

58941 Darlene Colbert	Office supplies	57.88
58942-58945 Weed Board Expenditures		625.42
58946 Ottertail Power Co.	Electricity	1506.08
58947 Rick Bryant	Underage Drinking Grant	180.00
58948 Scott Buckhouse	Underage Drinking Grant	630.00
58949 Travis Paeper	Underage Drinking Grant	615.00
58950-58964 Health District Expenditures		2151.90
58965 City of Forman	Water, sewer and garbage	142.65
58966 SC Treasurer	Mund abatement	81.91
58967 NDDOT	Title transfer	5.00
58968-58980 Health District Expenditures		2135.70
58988-58996 Weed Board Expenditures		8577.86
58994-59001 Clerk of Court vouchers		754.46
59011-59025 Human Service Expenditures		12246.38
59026 A-1 Steam Brothers	Carpet cleaning	1686.68
59027 Alltel	Sheriff's Dept. cell phone service	263.01
59028 Case & Bopp Law Office	Rent and cell phone	411.98
59029 Brian's Repair and Auto Parts	Sheriff's Dept. car service	150.44
59030 Rick Bryant	Gas, radar and meals	253.65
59031 Buhl's	Cleaning service	184.14
59032 Carrot-top Industries	3 4x6 US flags	134.35
59033 Comfort Suites	Sheriff lodging	110.00
59034 Dakota Mailing	Prom MG15-postal increase	143.50
59035 Dickey County	Sheriff's service-foreclosure of tax lien	114.00
59036 DRN	Phone service	731.42
59037 DOCS	Labor	220.00
59038 Dyste's	Supplies	94.73
59039 Farmers Union Oil Co.	Gas, fuel and supplies	10701.71
59040 City of Forman	Garbage bags	100.00
59041 Great Plains Directory	5 plat books	168.00
59042 Gwinner One Stop	Gas-Sheriff's Dept.	655.86
59043 Sandra Hanson	Supplies	12.90
59044 Hardware Hank	Maintenance and supplies	598.44
59045 John Holub	Meals	70.00
59046 ITD	LERMS	75.00
59047 ILG	Continuing Education	80.00
59048 Wendy Jacobson	SAC expenses	200.00
59049 Ken's Shopping Center	Gas	43.00
59050 Joan Lee	Travel	112.80
59051 Lexis Nexis	Publications	189.65
59052 Milton McLaen	Bookshelf	228.50
59053 NDAAO	Registration for Tax Director	90.00
59054 ND Treas. Ass'n	Dues	60.00
59055 ND Workforce Safety	Premium	30.80
59056 NDACO Directory Sales	2008 Directory	30.00
59057 NDACO Resources Group	Labels	156.82
59058 NFPA	Firefighter safety grant	433.20
59059 Nordland Trinity Luther League	SAC meal	235.00

59060 Donald C Olson	Tree removal	80.00
59061 Norm Preble	Travel	428.00
59062 Quill	Supplies	2337.89
59063 Richland County Sheriff	Sheriff's service – foreclosure of tax lien	46.00
59064 The Sargent County Teller	Publishing fees	390.68
59065 Lacey Severson	Travel	29.57
59066 Synergy Graphics	Election envelopes	2913.08
59067 Forman Postmaster	Firefighter grant postage	300.00
59068 Underground Vaults & Storage	Storage fee	1.40
59069 Mike Walstead	Travel	38.70
59070 Jerry Waswick	Travel	98.10
59071 White Banner	Sheriff's Dept. uniforms	329.00
59072 Imprint USA	Firefighter grant training supplies	401.52
59073 AW Diesel Service	Repairs	388.83
59074 Martin Bommersbach	Repairs	130.00
59075 Drummond American	Tools	756.82
59076 Ekstrom Repair	Repairs	606.72
59077 Merrill Engquist	Travel	160.34
59078 Forman Repair	Repairs	16.50
59079 Jacobson Implement	S185 Bobcat	22229.09
59080 Kustom Machine	Repairs	325.00
59081 Martinsen's Home Center	Repairs and tools	74.36
59082 Ray-Mac, Inc.	Repairs	19.20
59083 Southeast Propane	Propane	819.52
59084 Sweeney Brothers	Repairs	4391.26
59085 Welton's Tire Service	Tires	10953.00
59086 Zep Sales	Supplies	630.63
59087 Barnes County Corrections	Prisoner Board	102.00
59088 Candlewood Suites	Extension lodging	110.00
59089 Comfort Suites	VSO lodging	110.00
59090 CPU	Data Processing charges	906.07
59091 Lisa Dawson	Travel	582.90
59092 DRN	911 contracts	502.00
59093 Candy Hansen	Travel	25.00
59094 Sandra Hanson	911 travel and cell phone	590.04
59095 HP Company	Equipment	688.50
59096 ITD	WAN access, antivirus and user fee	453.40
59097 NDACO	911 service costs	743.20
59098 ND State Radio	911 costs	2626.20
59099 Oakes Community Hospital	Blood Alcohol	36.00
59100 Office Max	Supplies	207.06
59101 Qwest	911 contracts	191.88
59102 Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	2145.00

The Board reviewed the Home Rule Charter Commission nominees and approved the following persons: Bill Anderson, Rutland, County Commission, Gina Hillestad, Forman, County elected official, Colleen Sundquist, Forman, County appointed official, Mark Bopp, Forman, City elected official, Gene Gerdon, Cogswell, township elected official, Donald Wehlander, Milnor and Jim Asche, Gwinner members at large. Motion to approve appointment of the above persons to the Home Rule Charter Commission. (Walstead/Wyum, unanimous)

Sandy Hanson, Emergency Manager Services reported that she attended Ag Course 202 in Bismarck with Norm Preble, Tax Director. She discussed other counties plans for working with the soils study. Sandy also discussed the 911 mapping progress and suggested that someone locally check out the mapping. She suggested that the county hire someone to do a drive around for verification of the locations to make sure that the GPS locations are accurate. She would like to check the 911 signs and complete that project. She also mentioned in addition to the signs that culverts, roads, FEMA sites and other areas can be checked. Steve Wyum suggested that Sandy as chairman of the Technology Committee make a recommendation to the commission on types of GPS work that could be completed this summer.

Mike Bassingwaite, Interstate Eng., Inc. and Sparky Engquist, road supervisor presented a proposal and map to the commission regarding Bridge 127-20 (Breker Bridge) located between Sections 31/32 Tewaukon Township, on the west edge of Tewaukon National Wildlife Refuge. Due to Federal Highway Administration regulations restricting the use of Federal funds the cost to run the road straight through the refuge land would be too great, so the next most economical alternative, taking the factor of safety into consideration, for the project is to reroute the road and run it around the west edge

of the refuge. It was suggested to try to shorten up the curve. Commissioner Walstead suggested that the road project should extend from the bottom of the hill on the south side of the river to the bottom of the hill north of the river. The plans include: replacing the existing bridge with two lines of 10' x 10' concrete box culverts; relocating phone and rural water lines to the west; and, shifting the road alignment to the west. The estimated cost of the project is \$525,000. The federal share is 80%. A motion made to approve Engineer's Estimate of probable cost for Alternate 1A plans for bridge replacement. (Wyum/Anderson, unanimous) Bid opening February 2009. It shall also be noted that the reason for the road realignment versus straightening the roadway is due to the fact that Federal Highway Administration regulations would not allow the straightening change because a roadway is only allowed to go through federally owned areas if it is the only viable route. Safety and cost are not factors to be considered in determining whether or not a route is viable. This change will result in the expenditure of a considerably larger sum of money, but due to regulations restricting the expenditure of Federal Highway funds, is the most reasonable viable option.

Sparky Engquist discussed road department issues and areas that will be graveled in 2008 including Base One projects. Further discussion followed concerning total cost of the projects. Steve Wyum will visit with Damon DeVillers, Interstate Eng. to get the updated figures. Sparky explained a problem with a bridge in Tewaukon Township located between Sections 27/28 over the Wild Rice River. According to Jeff Breker, Tewaukon Township Supervisor, the bridge appears to have sustained structural damage. The township put "Road Closed" signs at each end of the township road leading to the bridge and has flagged the bridge. Sparky discussed possible alternatives for repair of this bridge versus replacement. He will contact some local contractors to obtain price estimates for repairs. The road at both ends of the bridge has been repaired and the bridge is now passable for local traffic. Other business discussed included: load limits will be removed on Tuesday, May 27; and, Sparky is looking for qualified part-time summer help for the Road Department.

Lyle Bopp, States Attorney presented the County Federal Aid Contract and County Federal Aid Contract Bond with Bituminous Paving, Inc., Ortonville, MN for the bituminous overlay and incidentals on County Road 4. Mr. Bopp informed the Board that the contract and bond are all in order. Authorize Chairman to execute said contracts on behalf of Sargent County and forward to North Dakota Dept. of Transportation. (Wyum/Waswick, unanimous)

Approve Gaming Site authorization for American Legion Bullis Post 84, Lidgerwood for Geneseo Bar and Café, 317 Main Street, Geneseo, ND beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

MAURICE ORN – CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR