

Forman, North Dakota  
May 3, 2005

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

Joe Kramer, NDACo Technical Analyst visited with the commission via conference call at their request to discuss putting commission minutes on the county website. After further discussion and proposal to use an Epson GT-15000 Color Flatbed Scanner at a cost of \$1112, a motion to proceed with project and ask NDACo to facilitate in establishing the scanning of commission minutes from day one to the present and have ability for internal and external Search engine capabilities. The project would proceed from present minutes to past minutes. (Wyum/Anderson, unanimous)

Orville Nelson, County Historical Society, presented the 2004 financial statement. Beginning balance was \$5260.34 and ending balance \$7319.00. One display case was removed from the store in Cayuga and refinished for use at the museum. The Society is planning a Keller Day to recognize the origination of the Bobcat. Other maintenance projects are planned for this spring/summer. The hours the museum is open is 1:00-4:00 daily except Saturday.

Bonnie Anderson, President, SC Fairboard met with the commission to discuss the upcoming fair. Jerry Waswick, Fairboard Commissioner, also spoke with questions pertaining to expenses at the fairgrounds. The Fairboard would like to have more input on bills that are presented to the commission for payment. Also discussed mowing, removal of unauthorized items in the Exhibit Building, insurance coverage and repairs to buildings.

Norm Preble, Tax Director and Kirk Fliehs, Forman met regarding an abatement filed by Mr. Fliehs on Lot 3 and the South 15' of Lot 2, Block 47, First Addition, Forman City. Kirk was asking for a reduction of the structure from \$21,400 to \$10,000. Forman City agreed to lower the structure to \$14,000. Concur with Forman City. (Brockman/Waswick, unanimous). Patricia Goolsbey, Milnor filed an abatement on Lot 3 Block 2, Original Town site, Village of DeLamere on a \$4100 structure, which has been torn down. She is asking for removal of the structure assessment. Hall Township approved the abatement. Concur with Hall Township. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous) The third abatement was for Irene Decker, Fergus Falls, MN for a duplicate assessment on .11 acre tract in NW1/4-29-132-55. Willey Township approved the abatement. Concur with Willey Township. (Brockman/Wyum, unanimous) Norm also reported that new agriculture land values came out this week and it is anticipated that Sargent County will increase agricultural values by 8-10% for 2005 pursuant to the ND Legislature. Residential values will also be increase by 10%.

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, Inc. met with the commission to discuss the bid letting for 11.62 miles south of Cogswell. Accept and adopt the following Resolution for said project. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous) WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$875,790.30 from Central Specialties, Inc., Alexandria, MN received in the bid opening of April 22, 2005 for Project SC-4111(064) was the low bid received. WHEREAS, this bid is considered reasonable. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sargent County would award to Central Specialties Inc. the contract for Project SC-4111(064) and hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign said contract. It is further understood that the County shall reimburse the NDDOT for any payments made under this contract, which are not collectible from the Federal Highway Administration. The Construction Engineering Services Agreement for said project was also presented for approval. Federal funding will reimburse the county 80% of the total cost. Approve the agreement. (Wyum/Waswick, unanimous) NDDOT sent to the Board a request for approval of the Construction and Maintenance Agreement and a letter to certify the right of way acquisition for project SC-4125 (058) – County Road from Rutland North 2 miles. Approve the agreement and certify right of way acquisition for this project. (Wyum/Anderson, unanimous) A County Federal Aid Contract for Project BRC-4120 (054) on RCB Culvert 3 miles north and 1 mile west of Havana (Bridge 118-20) was presented for approval. Riley Brothers Construction Inc., Morris, MN is the contractor and bid \$233,637.80. Lyle Bopp, States Attorney, arrived at the meeting and indicated that the contract is acceptable. Approve the contract and acknowledge the receipt of a certificate of insurance. (Brockman/Anderson, unanimous)

Lisa Knox, SC FNP presented information on Rural Leadership in North Dakota and several seminars that are being conducted. On behalf of Julie Hassebroek, Lisa is inquiring if any of the commissioners are interested in attending. It is a two-year interactive study and travel program dedicated to producing graduates with the vision and commitment to lead themselves, their organizations and communities in the future.

The Board reviewed insurance coverage on buildings and contents from ND State Fire and Tornado Fund. The courthouse value has been increased to reflect "reconstruction" costs for a historical building. This cost is to replicate, at current prices, using the like kind and quality of materials specific to the courthouse. The additional premium is \$538.30 for two months. The Board will review each building structure at the next meeting to ascertain that current limits are correct. The boiler insurance coverage was also reviewed and quotes for \$250 and \$1000 deductible were received from Hartford Steam and Boiler. Motion to raise the deductible for boiler coverage to \$1000. (Brockman/Waswick, unanimous)

NDPERS notified the county that Sargent County could save 1% of health insurance premiums by implementing an employer based wellness program. The new program is developed pursuant to NDCC section 54-52.1-14. NDPERS will work with a coordinator to develop ideas for worksite wellness programming. Motion to appoint Colleen Sundquist, Health District Administrator as the county coordinator. (Anderson/Wyum, unanimous)

Approve April 19, 2005 minutes as corrected. (Waswick/Brockman, unanimous)

Approve Special Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages at a Special Event for Stir'Um Up Bar and Grill for the All School Reunion on July 15, 2005 at Stirum Hall. ((Waswick/Anderson, unanimous)

Approve a Site Authorization for Bison Booster Club, Milnor to conduct games of chance at North 40, Inc., 12 N. Main Street, DeLamere beginning July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2006. (Brockman/Anderson, unanimous)

Approve removal of the following from the county inventory: Calculator # 684, CPU#1007 and Monitor#1008. (Waswick/Wyum, unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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MIKE WALSTEAD – CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR