

Forman, North Dakota  
July 1, 2014

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: David L. Jacobson; Bill Anderson; Steve Wyum; Mike Walstead; and, Jerry Waswick. Absent: None. Also present were: County Auditor Sherry Hosford; and, Paige Cary with the Sargent County Teller.

Motion to approve the revised draft of the minutes of the June 17, 2014, commission meeting (Waswick/Walstead, unanimous)

Discussion was held on road work including gravel projects and stockpiling gravel. A phone call was placed to Sparky Engquist, Road Supt. and he updated the Board on projects that are upcoming. Sparky was instructed to get the Gravel Purchase and Stockpile Agreement completed and out to the contractors immediately for their signature and return to the County Auditor's Office. Gravel projects need to be scheduled so the work will be completed within the time frame established by the county.

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, Inc. arrived at the meeting with Plans and Specifications for the Breker/Bundy Bridge located in Tewaukon Township. The engineering firm, with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is coordinating the project and this Board must indicate its approval of the Plans and Specifications for the proposed construction by July 7<sup>th</sup>. Damon will provide a copy of the plans to Sparky and they will review the plans. Motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter approving the plans and specifications for said bridge pending review of said plans and specifications by the County Engineer. (Anderson/Jacobson, unanimous) The project is to provide improvements consistent with the original Federal Lands Access Program application and in cooperation with appropriate Federal and Local Partner agencies. FHWA will staff the proposed construction project to maintain the integrity of the design and coordinate with Sargent County during the construction period. Costs of this project will be borne by FWHA and the US Fish and Wildlife Service, with no cost to Sargent County.

A Pre-Construction Conference was scheduled for Wednesday July 2, at 9:30 a.m. in the commissioner's room to discuss the CNOA 4135 (55) project (County # 14 from Geneseo south). Central Specialties will be present along with other suppliers to discuss said project.

Following recent wind and excessive rain, it was noted that there appears to be no additional damage to any county FSA roadways that could be submitted to NDDOT in response to an email from Byron Fuchs, Local Engineer with NDDOT.

Sandy Hanson, Tax Director spoke with the commissioners briefly about several properties with inundated land. Errors were discovered in the 2013 and 2014 values and she is asking that they be approved for correction. Due to the Board of Equalization for 2014 adjournment on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the process will entail filing Application for Abatement and Refund of Taxes.

Dave Jacobson informed the Board that Southside Auto would dispose of the tires that are piled at the county shop and would charge \$6.00/truck tire and \$4.00/car and pickup tires. Mike Walstead, Road Commissioner will inform Sparky Engquist to get these tires loaded and delivered to Southside Auto prior to the Sargent County Fair on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Wendy Jacobson, Social Service Director called into the meeting to request approval for salary for an Eligibility Worker I (EWI). State minimum is \$2679 per month for said position and Grade 6/Step 7 is \$2741.97. Motion to authorize said request for the EWI position. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous)

Lyle Bopp, States Attorney, stopped by briefly and discussed the Gerald Baker Small Claim case. It has been rescheduled to August 18 at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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STEVEN WYUM, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR