

Forman, North Dakota
July 27, 2004

Chairman Steve Wyum called a special meeting of the Sargent County Board of Commissioners at 7:30 a.m. with the following members present: Karen Anderson, Mike Walstead, Steve Wyum and Ray Brockman. Absent Don Wehlander.

Items on the agenda included road department and ambulance service

Sparky Engquist met with the Board to report on progress of summer work including shoulder work, overlays and seal coating. The right-of-way on Co. # 7 east of Havana needs some fill material. Sparky was on vacation last week and did not attend the commission meeting. Bob Adermann, Assistant road foreman met with the commissioners to get permission to purchase a micro cassette recorder. Sparky had denied this request earlier and did not feel it was handled properly. Steve Wyum suggested that Sparky work it out with his department employees.

The ambulance interview committee including Sandra Hanson, Brian Tayer, Carol Stockstad, Mike Marquette, Dennis Howey, Colleen Keller arrived at the meeting. Jerome Erickson, Mayor, Gwinner City also was in attendance. A discussion followed regarding the assistant ambulance coordinator position. The committee offered the position to Sandy Graf, Steele, ND but she withdrew her application. After further discussion those present agreed to offer the position to Marwood Klein, Munich, ND. He is unable to begin work until November due to prior commitments and there is concern whether the Forman ambulance could continue to operate until that time. Money is a concern but the commission assured the ambulance squad money would be available. Mr. Klein is requesting a higher salary than initially discussed. It was the consensus of those present to offer him the position at Grade 8, Step 3 and work out another proposal to contract additional work with Mr. Klein on the county level. If this is not agreeable, the county needs to reconfigure the entire ambulance service.

Jerome Erickson asked if funding is available to the Gwinner First Responders for construction and maintenance costs of a building. The commission advised them to submit their request per the 2005 budget.

The Board recessed to July 28, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

STEVEN R. WYUM, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR