

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m., following the park board meeting, with the following members present: Mike Walstead, David L Jacobson, Bill Anderson, Sherry Hosford, and Jerry Waswick. Also present were County Auditor Pam Maloney, States Attorney Lyle Bopp and Paige Cary, the Sargent County Teller.

Travis Paeper, Sargent County Sheriff, stopped at the meeting to explain a voucher for Hannah Colemer he had submitted for payment. Ms. Colemer has been interning in the sheriff's office during the summer months and was an invaluable help to the department, so he is requesting a stipend for her time spent here which will be paid out of Sheriff's Grant monies.

Approve minutes of August 4, 2015 meeting as corrected. (Hosford/Jacobson, unanimous)

Discussion on the turn lanes off State Highway #13 at the Junction of State Highway #32. CHS is building a new grain terminal and dry fertilizer facility north of the junction. The state will provide turn lanes to the south as it is a turn onto another state highway, but the State will not provide them to the north, as it is a private business. The state cannot enter into an agreement with a private entity, so ND DOT is requesting the county be the sponsoring party for the turn lanes & that CHS would reimburse the county for the costs. It will be October or November before Sargent County can expect a proposal from CHS. There will be a public informational meeting at the Gwinner Community Center on September 1 from 5 to 7 pm.

Gina Hillestad, Treasurer/Recorder/Clerk of Court, spoke briefly to the commission. She stated that she was going to be interviewing that afternoon for the open position in her office, and that she was wondering if the Commission had considered her request for a fourth staff member in her department. The board has not yet made a decision concerning requests for additional personnel from any County Departments.

Discussion on changes in the cell phone policy/plan. Commissioner Anderson is working on a draft to rewrite Section 516 in the personnel policy to include electronic communication devices and social media.

Discussion on repairs to the elevator. Otis Elevator will provide parts & labor necessary to install a new reverse phase relay and also replace OMRON style relays as needed. Costs of the repairs will be approximately \$196.42. Motion to have the repairs to the elevator completed, and to pay the bill for said repairs. (Waswick/Jacobson, unanimous)

Motion to publish weed mowing notice in the official newspaper. (Jacobson/Anderson, unanimous)

Sandra Hanson, Tax Director/911 Coordinator/Emergency Manager, arrived at the meeting. She had attended the State Board of Equalization the preceding week and reported back that the commercial and agriculture values were within the 10% tolerance of 100%, but that the residential values were 2% over 100%. The State Board of Equalization will assign a team to double-check the figures. She also reported on the appeal hearing for the Paul White rural residence and outbuildings in Vivian Township. There has been no ruling made by the State Board of Equalization, yet.

Merrill Engquist, Road Supervisor; and, Bryan Coons, Barga, Incorporated; arrived at the meeting to discuss applying Replay surface sealant to the 2014 paving on County Road #14. Mr. Coons stated that Replay is an ag based oil that is environmentally friendly and makes the pavement stronger. It seals up the surface of the pavement, which leads to less moisture infiltration and less oxidizing. The board requested that Mr. Engquist and Mr. Coons come back after lunch when the Board will make a call to County Engineer Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering to discuss the matter.

Board members proceeded to review all bills. Motion to approve the August payroll in the sum of \$190,938.90 (Nos. 11087-11147 and 71870-71884) and the following bills: (Anderson/Waswick, motion carried)

71680	Home Shop	Fire Extinguisher Inspection	201.35
71685	ND DES	2011 FEMA Package #25	53,026.03
71691-71693 & 71695-71700		Weed Control Expenses	13,694.27
71694	Discovery Benefits	Flex Fee	5.00
71726-71737		Health Unit Expenses	2,178.46
71738	Ransom County	VSO Salary Benefits	767.83
71739	Forman City	Water/Sewer/Garbage	160.90
71740	Ottertail Power Co.	Electricity	1,289.93
71741	Ringdahl Motors	Road Pickup Purchase	
14,800.00			
71742	Bank of ND	JDA Flex Pace Loan	1,905.11
71743	Bank of ND	JDA Flex Pace Loan	1,905.11
71746-71759		Health Unit Expenses	5,654.09
71771-71784		Human Services Expenses	9,962.97
71785	Avid Hawk	Website Hosting	45.00
71786	B & K Electric	Horse Barn/Courthouse Electrical	8,145.73
71787	Bear Creek Gravel	Courthouse Landscaping-Rock	315.00
71788	Blawatt, Melissa	Extension Travel	732.40
71789	Bopp Law Office	St. Atty. Phone & Rent	411.98
71790	Buhl's Inc.	Cleaning Services	203.05
71792	Comfort Inn-Bismarck	Tax Director Travel	74.00
71793	Computer Prof. Unlimited	Staff Support	1,106.70
71794	Dacotah Paper Co.	Copier Paper	59.77
71795	Dakota Plains Co-Op	Gas Purchases	753.57
71796	Dakota Water Solutions	Water Jugs	30.00
71797	Dickey Rural Networks	Telephone & 911 Contract	1,115.92
71798	Digital Ally	Computer Software	400.00
71799	Enderson Construction	Courthouse Landscaping	186.48
71800	Forman Drug	Office Supplies	7.77
71801	Galls	Sheriff Duty Belt	53.94
71802	Gwinner EMS	School Shooter Mtg. Room Rent	50.00
71803	Gwinner First Responders	2015 Allocation	6,500.00
71804	Gwinner One-Stop	Gas Purchases	728.00
71805	Gwinner Transfer, Inc.	Sheriff Car Tires/Maintenance	1,124.74
71806	Hardware Hank	Supplies	88.14
71807	Hewlett-Packard Co.	Sheriff Computer	1,150.00
71808	Hosford, Sherry	Commission Travel	177.38
71809	Information Tech. Dept.	Lerns User Fee	54.20
71810	John Deere Financial	Mower Blades	37.77
71811	Klapperich, Cindy	FCS Travel	152.38
71812	Kozok, David	Sheriff Travel	39.63
71813	LexisNexis-Mathew Bender	Century Codes	76.87
71814	Liberty Business Systems	Postage Meter Ink	99.10
71815	Lisbon Area Health Service	Blood Alcohol	80.00
71816	Minn-Kota Communications	FCC License Renewal	90.00
71817	NDACo	911 Wireless	436.50
71818	ND EM. Assoc.	EM Conference Registration	60.00
71820	ND Insurance Dept.	Building Insurance Premiums	4,136.24
71821	ND State Radio	State Radio Contract	5,157.18
71822	NDACO Resources Group	Recorder Computer Port	105.58
71823	Nelson Home Center	Mortar Mix	9.79
71824	NS Public School	School Shooter Program	357.81
71825	Oakes Ambulance Service	2015 Allocation	20,500.00
71826	Office of Attorney General	Scram 24/7	1,195.00
71827	Paeper, Travis	Equipment/Sheriff Travel	521.68
71828	Pharmchem, Inc.	Sweat Patch Analysis	475.00
71829	Reardon Office Equipment	Copier Lease Payment	104.55
71830	Redwood Toxicology Lab. Inc.	Supplies	100.00
71831	Richland County Corrections	Prisoner Board	1,540.00
71832	SC Ambulance- Forman Unit	2015 Allocation	5,000.00
71833	SC Ambulance-Milnor Unit	2015 Allocation	5,000.00

71834	Sargent County Auditor	Extension WAN Access	240.00
71835	Sargent County Insurance	Liability/Inland Marine Premiums	39,489.00
71836	Sargent County Teller	Printing/Publishing	684.67
71837	Sargent County Treasurer	Extension Postage	108.62
71838	Secure Software Solutions	Parcel Splits 2015	482.00
71839	Southside Auto	Tire Repair	19.76
71840	Verizon Wireless	Sheriff MI-FI Cards	160.04
71841	Visa	Extension Supplies	232.53
71842	Waswick, Jerry	Travel/ Ext. Air Conditioner	710.60
71843	Wenck	School Shooter Exercise	4,597.00
71844	Arrowhead Transport, Inc.	Gravel #1 & #5	43,598.44
71845	Bergen Inc.	Crack Sealing Co. #4	13,975.00
71846	Berg Auto Supply	Vacuum Switch	31.98
71847	Bernard Mahrer Const. Inc.	Gravel #3/Cooper Street	576.66
71848	Dakota Plains Co-op	Fuel/Gas Purchases	3,396.16
71849	Ekstrom Repair	Snowplow Truck Repair	2,377.93
71850	Enderson Construction, Inc.	Gravel #2 & #12	29,113.51
71851	Forman Market	Road Supplies	26.95
71852	Interstate Engineering	Engineering Services	8,088.43
71853	Jacobson Implement	Bobcat Purchase/Repair	30,499.30
71854	John Deere Financial	Knuckle	310.00
71855	Laker Chemical Corp.	Road Patch	2,700.00
71856	Metcalf Archaeological	Bridges Survey	2,080.00
71858	NDDOT Motor Vehicle	Road Pickup Title/Transfer	11.50
71859	Nelson Home Center	Supplies	7.95
71860	Quill.Com	Office Supplies	91.98
71861	Rutland City	Dust Control Cost Share	439.17
71862	Southside Auto	Vehicle Repairs	1,116.76
71863	Sturdevant's Auto	Tools	147.66
71864	TrueNorth Steel	Culverts	11,712.00
71865	Visto's Carquest	Vehicle Parts	416.49
71866	Welton Tire Service	O-Rings	22.50
71898	Sargent County Water Resource	Culvert County #10/Milnor	93,348.91

The board recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

The board reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with Merrill Engquist, Road Supervisor; & Bryan Coons, Bergen, Incorporated, returning to the meeting. A call was placed to Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, to ask his opinion on applying Replay to that part of County Road #14 that was paved in 2014. Damon agreed that the product does seem to work well – sealing up the pavement preventing moisture from getting in and less oxidation. He has seen good things with other projects using Replay. Motion to contract with Bergen, Incorporated to apply a Replay coat on County Road #14 from State Highway #11 south through Geneseo 5 miles to the south end of last year's paving project. Said work to be done by September 15, with half of the \$91,500 cost to be paid this year, in 2015, and the remaining half of the cost to be paid in 2016. (Anderson/Waswick, motion carried) Mr. Engquist also updated the board on graveling projects and applying Base One on County Road #14 north of Geneseo. There was also more discussion regarding windrows left on County Road #10, and the concern expressed by some that this might be somewhat dangerous to the traveling public. The road supervisor explained that vehicles had room to drive in the traffic lanes on either side of the center of the road, and that it is necessary to move gravel to the center in order to maintain a crown on the road.

There was discussion on the bill received from Rutland City for dust control on County Road #3/Cooper Street going east out of Rutland. Motion to cost-share the dust control costs, including gravel and mag chloride, half and half, total bill \$2,031.66, with Rutland City on County Road #3/Cooper Street east from Dakota Street past the Rutland Cemetery. (Anderson/Waswick, motion carried)

Mr. Engquist also informed the board that Michael Claeys, the new road employee, has resigned after one week. Motion to accept resignation and to hire Scott Redenius at Grade 6/Step 4 to fill the position. (Anderson/Hosford, unanimous)

Commissioners Anderson and Waswick left the meeting at 2:30 to attend another meeting in the Courthouse, concerning the Sargent County Social Services Department.

The Board proceeded to work more on the 2016 budget, reviewing requests from various departments.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

MIKE WALSTEAD - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

PAM MALONEY - AUDITOR