

Forman, North Dakota
August 5, 2003

The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Karen Anderson, Don Wehlander, Mike Walstead, Steve Wyum and Ray Brockman. Absent None.

Sherry Hosford left the meeting at 9:10.

Board talked about the cost of living increase of 3.8%. Board discussed the offices which have more than one person be opened over noon hour.

The Personnel Board arrived and discussed COLA. Motion to allow a 2.8% increase for 2004. (Wehlander/Wyum, unanimous)

The Board worked on budgets.

Approve appointment of Jerome Brekke to fill the Milnor City position on the JDA instead of the member-at-large as earlier appointed. This appointment replaces Glenn Dorr. (Brockman/Wehlander, unanimous)

Norm Preble met with the Board regarding an abatement for Donald Larson, Lot 1, Block 4, Klykken's Addition, Gwinner for 2001 and 2002. Mr. Larson was asking for the removal of the structure. Gwinner City denied the application. Concur with city. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

Sherry Hosford arrived at the meeting at 10:40.

The Board continued to work on budgets.

Discussed rental of office space in the Main Street Building.

Patty Carlen, Recorder, met with the Board and informed them that a demo copier is in the Clerk of Court's office and encouraged them to look at it. The NP3050 copier would be transferred to the Recorder's office and the NP3825II copier removed to auction items. Approve purchase of the new Image Runner 2800 copier for \$5917. (Wyum/Brockman, unanimous) Patty also discussed the County Recorder Indexing System Software Assurance Agreement. An agreement between Minnesota Counties Information Systems (MCIS) would provide support of the DOS CRIS and New CRIS on a sliding fee scale of about \$4000 per year, to include consulting, training, installation assistance and modification or maintenance of software. Approve letter of support. (Wyum/Wehlander, unanimous)

The Board recessed at 11:35 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

Approved July 15, 2003 minutes. (Brockman/Walstead, unanimous)

Jerry Dill, Verner Township and Sparky Engquist met with the Board. Sparky presented a traffic count recap for County Nos. 1 & 2 and Verner Township roadways between 19/30 and 20/29. The totals ranged from 102 vehicles/day to 232 vehicles/day. Approve county maintenance of 2 miles of roadway that connects with Dickey County between Verner Township Section 19/30 and 20/29 due to safety factor and high volume of traffic. Verner Township will provide the gravel. (Brockman/Wehlander, unanimous)

Sparky reported that the bituminous overlay road projects would begin on Thursday morning.

Approve reappointment of Wayne Sebens, Milnor and appoint Chris Mathias, Stirum to the Weed Board for a 4-year term. (Walstead/Brockman, unanimous)

The county shop building insurance coverage has been increased by State Fire and Tornado Fund to \$300,880 and the premium increased \$109.56. Approved.

Cindy Leinen, Forman Ambulance updated the Board on the ambulance scheduling. A discussion on whether to allow renting out office space in the building to someone else will cause a problem for the ambulance staff that plan to use the room. It was agreed to wait until November 1 and review the status on the room at that time. The ITV Classes for EMT Basic through the Vocational School will include students at Forman and Oakes. They will begin this fall and be held throughout the school year. Current classes for new ambulance members will be completed this week. EMT's from Buffalo, Lidgerwood and MN are assisting the ambulance squad.

The first meeting in October falls during the Annual NDACo convention in Bismarck. Reschedule that meeting for Wednesday, October 1, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. (Wehlander/Walstead, unanimous)

The Board proceeded to work on budgets.

Meeting recessed at 4:00 p.m.

KAREN ANDERSON - CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

SHERRY HOSFORD - AUDITOR