

The Board of County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners present were Howard Erdmann and Eldon Ehrman. Commissioner Jorgensen was absent.

Vice-Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

The following Statements of fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds:

County Recorder, Fees, \$903.00
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$650.00
Sheriff, Fees, \$188.05

The total Miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of November, 2004:

General - \$ 1,752.82	Social Services - \$9,296.17
Secondary Road - \$169.44	County Road - \$146.61
Highway Dist. - \$13,840.63	County Park - \$1,072.00
S.S. & OASIS - \$531.13	County Extension - \$4.00
Weed Control - \$181.68	Civil Defense - \$663.61
911 - \$993.70	Wireless 911 - \$509.20

An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts are on file at the County Treasurer's Office.

The November payroll warrants #26676-26718 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$20,915.01	Service Officer - \$241.66
County Agent - \$1,284.33	Civil Defense - \$387.50
911- \$387.50	Highway Dist. - \$12,113.56
Weed Control - \$5,167.50	Social Services - \$7,344.72

The following bills #26743-26828 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv, 76.30; Denise Melom, 65.50; McClusky Gazette, 33.00; McClusky Pharmacy, 47.25; Shirley A. Murray, 33.25; Howard Erdmann, 50.40; West River Telecommunications, 1,328.14; Waste Management Of ND, 99.47; Trent Naser, 59.35; Eldon Ehrman, 25.20; N.D. Safety Council, 60.00; Fireside Office Plus, 887.40; Cenex Credit Card, 454.12; Birch Telecom, 106.93; BHG, Inc., 787.58; Information Technology Dept., 375.00; Cellular One, 239.50; Shirley J Jorgensen, 54.25; Centre Inc, 480.00; Kyocera Mita America Inc, 48.86; C-Store, 11.45; D&J Oil, Inc., 4,362.17; Lawson Products, 148.07; Newman Traffic Signs, 2,762.20; Midway Diesel & Electric, Inc., 127.09; Porter Bros., 13.73; Menard's, 20.71; Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water, 133.93; NAPA Auto Parts, 65.99; Co-Op Elevator, 7,323.86; Bentz Supply Store, 181.21; Drummond American Corp, 149.85; Power Plan, 448.00; Crystal Schaunaman, 243.25; Diane Fylling, 105.00; Verona Lechler, 84.00; NDSU Extension Service, 968.00; NDSU Ag Communications, 8.00; The Herald Press, 36.00; Myron Dieterle, 319.97; James Haux, 141.90; Marilyn Schneider, 63.00; Jerone Sauter, 233.68; ND Dept. Of Transportation, 10.00; Gordon O Felchle, 104.51; Donald Hausauer, 111.72; NDTC, 20.07; SRT Communications, Inc, 12.88; NDACO, 254.60; Verendrye Electric Coop., 45.34; Holen Construction, Inc, 1,800.00; Holen Construction Inc, 4,448.10; Construction, Inc., 2,240.00; Wold Engineering, P.C., 11,225.40; AT&T, 56.21; Auto Wizard Inc, 597.14; Best Western Doublewood Inn, 50.00; Bryles, 215.92; C&D Electric, 34.00;

Chemsearch, 93.35; Decatur Electronics Inc, 315.00; Election Systems & Software, 1,440.77; Marshall Feland, 150.00; First District Health Unit, 5,488.50; Greenvision, 81.00; Heringer Lumber, 92.97; Jake's Auto Glass Inc, 230.68; Lutheran Social Services Of ND, 58.43; McClusky Insurance Agency, 50.00; Midwest Graphics & Signs, 455.00; Quality Printing Service Inc, 298.15; Richland County Auditor, 45.75; Alberta Strobel, 458.29; Doris Fischer, 48.00; Eden Melom, 139.05; Brandon Mortenson, 139.05; SCIPY, 50.00; Secretary Of State, 25.00; Unicom, 386.95

Commissioner Jorgensen arrived at 9:45 a.m. and presided over the meeting as Chairperson.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the following transfers:

\$5,000.00 from Highway Dist. Fund to County Road Fund, as per budget approved

\$3,000.00 from General Fund to County Agent Fund, as per budget approved

\$7,500.00 from General Fund to Health Insurance Fund, as per budget approved

Seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to commit \$1,600.00 to the Adult Abused Resource Center for 2005 to help continue the rural outreach program affecting victims of domestic violence and sexual assault to families in Sheridan County, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote: Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to amend the 2004 budget in the following funds due to increased fuel costs, prisoner expenses, purchase of 911 signs. The construction of County Park building with grant funds received in year 2003, however; not spent until year 2004:

County Road - from \$145,600 to \$171,000.00
County Corrections - from \$12,820.00 to \$15,240.00
911 - from \$11,050.00 to \$12,050.00
Civil Defense - from \$5,600.00 to \$6,725.00
County Park - from \$15,200.00 to \$43,375.00

Seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Cynthia Wahl, tax director, met with the board to review the Allan Tinker abatement and to request purchase of a printer for her office. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve that the Tax Director be authorized to purchase a new printer within the amount of \$100.00 - \$150.00, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes, All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve Ronald G. Reile, Sr. resignation from the road operator position effective December 7, 2004, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Vonnie Erdmann, representing the Union Grill & Bar, met with the board to present the 2005 beer and liquor license applications for their establishment. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the 2005

beer and liquor license applications for the Union Grill & Bar, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve that the Auditing firm Rath & Mehrer, CPA, do the County audit for 2003-2004 in the amount of \$5,850.00, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote: Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to instruct the Auditor to advertise for bids on the discount tank wagon price for fuel for the County. Bids will be opened January 4, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote: Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The abatements filed by the Frieda Wahl for the SW4 Section 11-146-77 and Herman Bertsch for Lots 16-17-18, Block 4, Dahl & Neff Addition, McClusky City were reviewed and forwarded to the Tax Director. The abatement hearings were scheduled for January 4, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to appoint Steve Kensmoe to the Water Resource Board effective January 1, 2005 for a three year term, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote: Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to re-appoint Joellen Ehrman to the School Reorganizing Committee effective January 1, 2005, for a three year term seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote: Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 2:00 p.m. the abatement hearing for Allan Tinker for her property in Harris Twp. was held. Allan Tinker was present. Others present were Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, James Haux, Assessor in Harris Twp., Sherril Houser, City and District Assessor, Sarah Hewsen, State Tax Commissioner's Office The history of values were reviewed back to year 2001 by the Tax Director and with the exception of three parcels the values were increased and decreased percentages across the board up to the present value as instructed by the State Tax Commissioner Office ag land values. Cropland and non cropland issues were discussed. Brian Tinker arrived at 2.20 p.m. Brian Tinker and Cynthia Wahl will review calculations on the valuation spreadsheet. The hearing was tabled until 3:00 p.m. January 4, 2005.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to hire Sylvia Schell effective immediately at \$9.00 per hr. for training with Bonnie Helm and salary effective January 1, 2005 at \$1,108.00, based on a 28 hr week plus benefit package, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Crystal Schaunaman, County Agent, met with the board to report on the Extension activities for the last month. The 4-H Awards night was held Nov. 21 in Goodrich with low attendance. 4-H issues were discussed briefly. Schaunaman attended a few conferences in the last month at Bismarck and Carrington to help answer a few questions that producers have on a variety of topics Schaunaman spoke at the Sheridan County

Farmer's Union annual convention held at McClusky on the impact of declining farmers that affect a small community. A reorganization meeting/supper of the Sheridan Association was held on November 29 in McClusky with 30 farmers attending. Sheridan County in Partnership with Youth (SCIPY) held a recruitment dinner on November 16th to come up with new ideas and more volunteers.

Roger Trautmann, Equipment Operator, and Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to report that weed mowing has been completed and bales need to be removed off the road right of way. Contacts will be made to landowners to remove bales or they will be burnt. Trautmann was inquiring about shortening his route. The northwest corner of his route will be transferred to Cecil Schuh since it is closer to Schuh unless help is needed later on.

Jorgensen reported she received estimates on carpet and installation of carpet in the amount of \$1,100.00 for the front of the Courtroom to take care of the echoing effect. A court facilities improvement grant through the ND Supreme Court is available until December 31, 2004. The Auditor was instructed to complete the grant for the carpet to be installed in the courtroom with the County's share being \$275.00.

The meeting was recessed until Tuesday, December 14, 2004 at 11:30 a.m.

Auditor

Chairperson

County Commission Meeting December 14, 2004

The Board of County Commissioners met at 11:30 a.m. as per recess stated. Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen and Howard Erdmann. Absent: Eldon Ehrman

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

Joyce Dockter, County Recorder, met with the board to request purchase of plat recording storage cabinet. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to purchase the plat recording storage cabinet in the amount of around \$2,500.00, to paid out of the Automation Trust fund and Clerk of Court Equipment Fund, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Herb Bargmann, Wold Engineering, met with the board to present the 2005 calendars from their office and to discuss continuing the annual County Engineers membership dues.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve both Sheyenne Valley Lodge on sale only beer and liquor license applications for 2005, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann -

yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, and Denise Melom, Risk Manager, met with the board to discuss lighting and safety issues at the County Shop. It was moved by Howard Erdmann to approve that the road crew wash the inside walls and then paint the inside walls of the County Shop and repair the ceiling in the restroom and purchase an eye wash station for safety concerns, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairperson