

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING June 4, 2002

The Board of County Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M.
Commissioners present were Gordon O. Felchle, Eldon Ehrman,
and Shirley J. Jorgensen.

Chairman Felchle called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings was read and approved.

The following Statements of Fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds for May, 2002:

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,539.00
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$595.00
Sheriff, Fees, \$119.60

The total Miscellaneous Receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of May, 2002:

General Fund - \$ 1,704.36	Social
Services \$ 3,343.77	
County Road - \$900.00	Highway Dist.
- \$12,162.03	
S.S. & OASIS - \$733.30	County Agent -
\$875.00	
County Extension - \$513.00	Civil
Defense - \$642.55	911- \$940.25
Wireless 911 - \$498.35	
FEMA - \$25,959.71	

An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts is on file at the County Treasurer's office for review.

The May payroll warrants #21433-21473 were approved from the following funds:

General fund - \$19,193.87	Service
Officer - \$ 229.16	
County Agent Fund - \$1,184.31	Civil Defense
- \$362.50	
911 - \$362.50	County
Correction - \$272.50	
Secondary Road - \$1,108.00	Highway

Dist. - \$11,419.13
County Park - \$270.00 Weed Control -
\$936.00
Social Services - \$7,456.34

The following bills #21322-21386 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

GORDON FELCHLE,105.71;AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL
SRV,26.75;DENISE MELOM,
40.30;WALTER M. LIPP,43.97;MCCLUSKY PHARMACY,33.38;SHIRLEY
A. MURRAY, 55.30;WEST RIVER
TELECOMMUNICATIONS,1,092.32;JOYCE H. DOCKTER,.75;BUSINESS
FORMS,INC.,309.77;WASTE MANAGEMENT OF ND,29.21;REULE'S
SUPER VALUE,25.57;
ELDON EHRMAN,80.60;LTM BUISNESS CONCEPTS,26.08;FIRESIDE
OFFICE PLUS,62.50; OFFICE DEPOT,452.07;CENEX
AMPRIDE CREDIT CARD,225.56;IONEX TELECOMMUNICATIONS
,139.81;BHG, INC.,355.47;INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DEPT.,374.00;GMAC,1,216.86,
SHIRLEY J JORGENSEN,110.67;INSTITUTE OF LOCAL
GOV'T,55.00;BP AMOCO,129.68,
KYOCERA MITA AMERICA INC,53.00;D&J OIL,
INC.,3,105.92;NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS,
127.35;PORTER BROS.,72.64;MENARD'S,204.97;BUTLER MACHINERY
CO.,185.14;
NAPA AUTO PARTS,215.29;MANN'S AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY,55.47;CO-OP
ELEVATOR, 2,190.76;BENTZ SUPPLY STORE,342.70;KENT
ALDERIN,323.46;DIANE FYLLING,301.80,
NDTC,20.07;SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC,12.88;WEST RIVER
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, 183.66;WOLD ENGINEERING,
P.C.,7,096.13;WILLIS MECKLE,240.00;CARISSA AXT,
21.89;CASS COUNTY TREASURER,65.00;COMMUNITY MEMORIAL
HOSPITAL,45.00,DAYS INN,
45.00;GLENN MILLER ELECTRIC CO,476.70;ALVIN
GROSS,100.00;HOLIDAY INN,207.00;
AMBER JOHNSON,15.45;ASHLEY KENNEY,15.45;EVAN
LAIB,46.35;LAWSON PRODUCTS INC,
292.71;MAS MODERN MARKETING,198.28;MAXIMUS
INC,400.00,MCLEAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,2,183.00;EDEN
MELOM,37.34; NATIONAL SHERIFF'S ASSOC.,50.00;NATIONAL
4-H SUPPLY SERVICE,49.19;ND COUNTY TREASURERS
ASSOC,60.00;ND SHERIFF'S & DEPUTIES ASSOC,15.00;NDSU AG
COMMUNICATIONS,18.00;NORTHERN PLAINS PLUMB &
HEAT.,156.00;SCHAEFFER'S SERVICE,312.70;JEREMY
TKACH,30.90;VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS,125.53;WEST-LITE

CORP,137.70

The following transfer was approved for the month of May:

\$30,000.00, From Human Services to Social Services, Partial Reimbursement

Edward Baker, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss if the load restriction signs should be taken down due to the State Highway Dept. took their signs down already. The County Commissioners ordered to take load restriction signs down. The Road Foreman reported that the Sander has broke down and can not be repaired any more being it is so old. Also new fuel pumps and fuel tanks need to be installed at the Goodrich & Martin City shops being they are outdated. The Chairman will receive estimates from local vendors for the next meeting.

Alvin Herr, landowner, met with the board to report there is a road grade breaking away near the Alvin Hoffer residence. Holen Const. will be contacted to dump rip rap to save the road.

Kent Alderin, County Agent, met with the board to report that the new Home Economist, Verona Lechler, Mandan, has started working in the office this week. The County Commissioners approved applying for the grant for the FNP (Family Nutrition Program) in the County Extension Office.

The time being 10:00 A.M. the application for abatement and settlement of taxes filed by Dean Bender for on a residential structure located in the SW4SW4 21-150-74 was considered.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the abatement that the residential structure be exempt due to farm status criteria was in order according to the Martin Twp. Board, and that the True & Full value be reduced from 21,076 down to 6,920, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 11:00 A.M. the County Park Board meeting was held. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

Myron Boehm and Ryan Holen, Holen Const., met with the board to discuss road projects in the County. Holen Const.

inquired about going into County gravel pits. The County will allow Holen Const. to haul gravel from the County gravel pits.

The time being 2:00 p.m. the County Equalization was held. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 2:30 p.m.

Ed Baker, Road Foreman, met with the board again to report on repairing a couple of twp roads. Baker stated on June 20th the State Dept of Transportation is having an Auction Sale on equipment that lists a sander for sale. The Chairman and the Road Foreman were instructed to attend the Auction Sale and to possibly purchase a sander if reasonable priced and in good condition. Also the County Commissioners will receive estimates from Harvey vendors for a propane and a heating fuel furnace for the County Shop to compare prices.

The Auditor reported that the Precinct #6 Election Inspector, Ted Dockter, resigned due to health conditions. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to appoint Ida Erdmann to Election Inspector Position for Precinct #6, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman, seconded by Commissioner Felchle to appoint Shirley J. Jorgensen as County Commissioner Chairman representative for the County Canvassing Board, due to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman are both running for office on the ballot and therefore can not serve on the Co. Canvassing Board. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to appoint Armin Erdmann to the County Housing Authority Board for a 5 year term, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss the approval and motion of the purchase of the new computer as allowed at the May 7, 2002 Co. Commission Meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to amend the motion from the May 7th Co. Commission Meeting to approve the purchase of the V2 Premier P-4 computer with 2.0 Ghz ,17 " monitor, printer, photo reader, and other accessories in the amount of \$2,300.00 to be payable out of Co.

Corrections fund, SS & OASIS automation fund, and the Sheriff equipment budget seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried. Gessner reported on meth lab and crime related incidents in the County and that Deputy Hoffman's brake line on his sheriff vehicle was cut. The repair costs claim was sent to the County vehicle insurance agent to report vandalism.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to request to the Sheridan County Farm Service Agency that the CRP in Sheridan County be allowed to be cut for haying purposes due to lack of moisture, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

The Auditor reported that the ND State Fire & Tornado Fund Insurance coverage for the County buildings will increase 15% and the minimum deductible will increase to \$500.00 and the maximum deductible will increase to \$5,000.00 due to increased claims around the state especially with last year's damages. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to select the \$500.00 deductible plan with a premium of \$766.00 per year for all the County buildings to be covered through the ND State Fire & Tornado Fund, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the County Liability, County Vehicle, and County Equipment Insurance Policies with the ND Insurance Reserve Fund, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commissioners Meeting June 18, 2002

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 11:30 A.M. on call of the Chairman. Commissioners present were Gordon O. Felchle, Eldon Ehrman, and Shirley J. Jorgesnen.

Chairman Felchle called the meeting to order.

Edward Baker, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss purchasing gravel out of the Paul Kreller gravel pit from Aggregate Const., Minot, at \$1.50 per yd. including the royalty. Aggregate Const. would be willing to measure gravel pit by hiring an Engineer to know the total yards. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve to purchase the gravel in the Kreller Pit at \$1.50 per yd from Aggregate Const, Minot, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Secretary

SHERIDAN COUNTY EQUALIZATION MEETING
JUNE 4, 2002

The Sheridan County Board of Equalization met at 2:00 p.m. as set. Members present were Gordon O. Felchle, Eldon Ehrman, and Shirley J. Jorgensen. Also present were various City and Township Officials, Assessors, and the Director of Tax Equalization, Cynthia D. Wahl.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Felchle.

The first order of business was the equalization of residential property. The assessments as returned by the assessors and local boards were reported by the County Auditor for a total taxable valuation of 306,718. The Auditor also reported that the Cities did not conduct a reassessment on their residential structures as ordered by

the County Equalization Board from last year. McClusky City Mayor, Schindler, inquired if there is more training for the assessors in order to conduct a reassessment of the Cities. Tax Director, Cynthia Wahl, stated there is no more training needed and that she would help the City assessors in any way she can. No other changes were reported. Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, reported that the total residential values were within 5% tolerance allowed by State. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen that no be made to the residential property and to encourage the Cities that it is important that they conduct a reassessment on their residential structures values for next years assessment period, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon Roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes, Felchle - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The second order of business was the equalization of commercial property. The assessments as returned by the assessors and local boards was reported by the County Auditor for a total taxable valuation of 191,167. All present were given the opportunity to be heard. Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, reported that the total Commercial Values were within the 5% tolerance allowed by State also. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman that no changes be made to the commercial property, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes, Felchle - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The third order of business was the equalization of agriculture property. The assessments as returned by the assessors and local boards were reported by the County Auditor for a total taxable valuation of 5,380,497 that includes 562,135.49 acres. The Tax Director reported there will be an inundated acres form for next year's assessment to be completed every year and there must be 10 acres or more inundated in order to receive reduced value on inundated acres. If form is not received, agricultural property will be fully assessed. Also the tax director reported that the reassessment of Harris twp has been completed and values are included in the total ag values. The ag values were increased by 2% across the County according to the State Tax Commissioners office certification. The average value per acre across the Sheridan County is \$191.39 per acre. All present were given the opportunity to be heard. No other changes were reported. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman that no changes be made, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon

roll call vote Ehrman-yes, Jorgensen - yes, Felchle - yes
All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The Senior Citizens Homestead tax credit and disabled tax credit applications were reviewed. The County Auditor reported there were 12 Homestead credit applications in all and 1 blind and disabled application. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen that the applications be approved as returned by the assessors and City Boards, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call - Felchle- yes, Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The County Auditor presented the ND State Land Abstract covering 1,757.80 acres for a total True & Full Value of 351,886 subject to assessment in lieu of ad valorem tax and ND Game & Fish Abstract covering 26,389.41 acres for a total True & Full Value of 5,040,643 subject to assessment in lieu of ad valorem tax which includes the 2% ag increase added on to last year's values just like other agriculture land in Sheridan County. Also the Nonprofit organizations for conservation purposes Abstract covering 7,003.43 acres for a total true & full Value of 897,019 that is owned by Nature Conservancy. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve that the ND State Land, ND Game & Fish land, and Nonprofit organizations for conservation purposes be subject to assessment in lieu of ad valorem tax be assessed as per abstracts of valuations on file in the Auditor's Office, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Felchle - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Other business discussed was the Detail Soil Survey. Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, reported that the County has approved to hire Interstate Engineering to assess values more accurately by using the detail soils production data that has been completed by the State. Arc View Software has been purchased and will help implement the detailed soils data into the County accounting programs for tax purposes. Three County Officials will be attending training classes for the new software. Implementation of the Detailed Soils Survey data should be done within a 2 year period.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Chairman County Auditor