

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOVEMBER 6, 2001

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

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

The following Statement of fees were collected for the month of October and submitted to their appropriate funds:

County Recorder, Fees \$1,457.00  
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$345.00  
Sheriff, Fees, \$172.40

The following Miscellaneous Receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of October:

General – \$29,007.97	Social Welfare - \$11,869.85
Unorganized Rd. Districts - \$27,518.99	County Road - \$3,356.60
Highway Dist. - \$11,819.55	County Park - \$42.00
Advertising - \$180.00	County Agent - \$875.00
Weed Control - \$1.98	911 – 1,186.55

An itemized listing of Miscellaneous Receipts are on file at the County Treasurer's Office for review.

The October payroll warrants #20171-20204 were approved from the following funds:

General Fund - \$15,757.07	Service Officer - \$216.66
County Agent Fund - \$1,134.31	Civil Defense - \$350.00
911 - \$350.00	County Corrections - \$260.00
Highway Dist. - \$11,119.13	Social Services - \$8,014.31

The following bills #20233-20320 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

GORDON FELCHLE, 142.60; AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL SRV, 26.75; DENISE MELOM, 200.88; WALTER M. LIPP, 83.53; MCCLUSKY PHARMACY, 11.28; WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS, 685.42; N.D. ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, 3,393.00; CITY OF MCCLUSKY, 23.80; MATTHEW BENDER & CO. INC, 41.70; WASTE MANAGEMENT OF ND, 59.90; REULE'S SUPER VALUE, 55.36; ELDON EHRMAN, 219.48; CYNTHIA D. WAHL, 150.48; LTM BUISNESS CONCEPTS, 2.51; BURNIE'S, 410.76; JANICE D. ERDMANN, 44.02; OFFICE DEPOT, 360.64; CENEX AMPRIDE CREDIT CARD, 238.39; IONEX TELECOMMUNICATIONS, 116.80; BHG, INC., 545.70; INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT., 370.00; CELLULAR ONE, 90.80; GMAC, 608.43; SHIRLEY J JORGENSEN, 217.31; CHIEF SUPPLY, 23.96; FARMERS UNION OIL COMPANY, 2,906.02; H&L REPAIR, 250.98; KONSCHAK OIL INC., 7.00; MENARD'S, 231.96; BUTLER MACHINERY CO., 519.11; EDWARD BAKER, 20.02; MCLEAN-SHERIDAN RUR WATER, 102.40; NAPA AUTO PARTS, 405.28; RDO EQUIPMENT COMPANY, 1,271.41; KENT ALDERIN, 239.94; DIANE FYLLING, 144.38; BHG, INC, 15.40; NDTC, 19.89; SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC, 12.88; WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS, 190.66; VERENDRYE ELECTRIC COOP., 1,050.84; LAMM'S SANITARY SEPTIC SERVICE, 606.54; ORRIN A. HOLEN, CONSTRUCTION, 505.25; RANDY MILLER, 758.40; DARVIN ENGEL, 192.00; HOLEN CONSTRUCTION, INC., 9,319.50; RV ENTERPRISES, 3,200.00; WILLIS MECKLE, 180.00; ORRIN A. HOLEN, CONSTRUCTION, 469.00; DALLAS PFENNING, 10.80; AMERICAN INCOME LIFE INS CO, 4.80; DORIS BERTSCH, 39.00; BHG INC, 10.20; BRYLES FIRE ARMS, 78.00; CASS COUNTY TREASURER, 70.00; CENTER COAL COMPANY, 114.94; SHERIDAN COUNTY TREASURER, 2.07; CRC PRESS LLC, 95.94; DENHOFF TOWNSHIP, 9,382.63; DOUBLEWOOD INN, 355.00; DRUMMOND AMERICAN CORP, 78.85; GARRISON DIVERS CONSERV DIST, 481.59; GOODRICH TOWNSHIP, 8,085.63; GOODRICH TOWNSHIP, 323.40; KIM HOLLENBECK, 32.10; INSTITUATE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, 39.00; ALBERT ISSAC, 6.00; KYOCERA MITA AMERICA INC, 111.00; LAWSON PRODUCTS INC, 282.24; MAUCH TOWNSHIP, 2,829.65; MAUCH TOWNSHIP, 1,594.00; MCCLUSKY GAZETTE, 27.38; METCALF ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONSULT, 695.00; KATHLEEN C MINDT, 8.40; NAT'L IMP. CORP/SAFETY, 273.87; ND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICE, 650.95; ND STATE TREASURER, 627.14; NDSU AG COMMUNICATIONS, 10.00; POSITIVE PROMOTIONS INC, 49.78; RITZ CAMERA CENTER, 18.09; SECRETARY OF STATE, 9.00; SHERIDAN COUNTY

EDC, 1,345.00; SYNDISTAR INC, 101.00; TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY, 14.12; TROSEN LAW FIRM, 50.00; UNICOM, 225.40; UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, 500.00; WELLS FARGO BROKERAGE SERVICES, 10,204.87

The following transfer of funds were approved for the month of November:

\$196.80, From Mt. City Rd. to County Road for hauling pit run

James Haux, 1<sup>st</sup> District Assessor, spoke with the board over the speakerphone on cropland to noncropland classification value issues.

The Auditor reported a Homeland Security Conference will be held at the Bismarck Civic Center on November 16, 2001 for Officials to attend.

Kent Alderin, County Agent, met with the board to discuss the County's share of costs of the needs assessment survey was reduced down to \$1,345.00

Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, met with the board to review Allan Tinker abatement applications. Cropland and non-cropland issues were discussed.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to report on the stolen van that is parked in the back parking lot of the Courthouse will be taken back to Denver. A County curfew is being investigated and a number of burglaries have happened. Gessner reported a vehicle accident happened on north highway 14. Also the Courtroom and the Judges Chambers were discussed to be updated and repainted as per request of the District Judge. Gessner reported a security alert is on anhydrous ammonia and some sort of a barrier needs to be installed in the back courthouse parking lot for security measures. Gessner requested two remote car starters be installed in Sheriff's vehicles. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve Dakota Communications estimate of installing two remote car starters \$325.00 for the Ford and \$350.00 for the Chevrolet, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Jorgensen – yes, Ehrman – yes, Felchle – yes. All voting "Yes" the motion carried.

Myron Boehm, Holen Const., and Edward Baker, Road Foreman, met with the board to present cement culvert estimate for Haux road. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve a 36ft and 48ft cement culvert be placed in the Haux road for now, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – Yes All voting "Yes" the motion carried. Boehm reported the pit with County debris at the McClusky City dump ground will be filled in today yet. Holens were instructed to clean out Tom Turnbull's ditch. Baker reported that Roger Trautmann's blade needs new tires. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve purchase of new tires for Trautmann's blade, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

At this time Roger Redfield, Social Service Director, met with the board to present an agreement with the McLean, Mercer, Oliver, and Sheridan Counties to share services and expenses of Social Service board director, an economic assistance supervisor and other staff as agreed upon. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote Jorgensen – yes, Ehrman – yes, Felchle – yes. All voting "Yes" the motion carried.

The time being 1:30 p.m. the applications for abatement of 1997-2000 taxes filed by Allan Tinker on property in Harris Twp. was held. Present were Allan and Brian Tinker. Tax Director, Cynthia D Wahl was unable to attend, however; the written investigation report of the Tax Director was reviewed at this time. Allan Tinker stated the AUM's were not accounted for in the Tax Director's investigation and questioned the .9 acre of School land that she has been paying taxes on for several years. The Auditor replied that an abatement can only go back 2 years according to the ND Century Code. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the 1997-2000 abatement applications for parcels # 09-05-2158, 09-06-2163, 09-06-2164, 09-06-2167, 09-07-2169, 09-08-2175, 09-08-2176, 09-08-2178, 09-08-2179, 09-17-2205, 09-17-2207, 09-17-2208, from 36,934 in taxable value down to 24,713, and that the other four parcels will be tabled until further investigation with the Tax Director can be done, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote Ehrman- yes, Jorgensen – yes, Felchle – yes, All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 2:00 p.m. the hearing was held on objections to the minimum sale price set on lots and lands forfeited to the County for nonpayment of taxes. No one appeared so the prices remain the same as set. Minimum Sale will be held November 20, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.

Ralph Sease, landowner, met with the board to request the County to share cost of pit run placed on a twp road to his residence. The County agreed to pay for part of the bill due to it is a twp road located on a section line.

Janice Erdmann, County Treasurer, met with the board to request purchase of two Dell Pentium 4 computers one for her office and one for the County Recorder's office in the amount of \$2,852.48. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve purchasing two computers one for the Treasurer's Office and one for the County Recorder's Office to be paid out of the 2002 budget, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote Ehrman – Yes, Jorgensen – yes, Felchle – yes, All voting “yes” the motion carried.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to report that the Homeland Security Conference has been changed to December 13, 2001.

The Auditor presented estimates from Fargo Glass Co., Minot, on purchasing and installing five new windows in the Sheriff's office and a new back entrance door in the Courthouse in the amount of \$8,476.00. Fargo Glass was contacted by speakerphone and stated that windows and door should be installed by the end of the year. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve purchasing and installing five new windows in the Sheriff's office and a new back entrance door in the Courthouse in the amount of \$8,476.00, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call Jorgensen – yes, Ehrman – yes, Felchle – yes. All voting “yes” the motion carried.

The Auditor reported a building permit was issued to Marilyn Schneider for moving a 20'x 16' steel garage structure on their property located in the NW4NW4 12-146-77.

Kent Alderin, County Agent, met with the board to report on Extension activities. 4-H awards night will be held November 18 at Goodrich. A possible carnival with SCIPY and other organizations will be planned later in the winter.

The Auditor presented a letter of appreciation from the Dept of Veteran Affairs for the VA benefits of \$137,537.00 has come into Sheridan County for fiscal year 2000 due to the fine work of our County Veterans Service Officer, Paul Stober.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Chairman

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2001

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

Chairman Felchle called the meeting to order.

Cynthia Wahl met with the board to review the different detailed soil type values for Allan Tinker property in Harris Twp. for on the remaining four parcels of the abatement applications.

The time being 9:30 A.M. the hearing on the abatement for parcels 09-05-2159, 09-05-2160-10, 09-07-2171, and 09-17-2206 was continued from the November 6<sup>th</sup> hearing. Allan and Brian Tinker and States Attorney, Walter Lipp, and Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, were present. The Board questioned the acres on Parcel #2171. Tinker stated that the acres should be noncropland acres. Wahl requested from Tinkers how they arrived at their AUM formula. Tinker stated that the average for the County is .6 AUM according to NDSU and part of their land values are half of the average value at .3 AUM. Wahl stated the detailed soils AUM formula needs to be applied on every type of soil and not on an average. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the abated amounts from 12,371 in taxable value down to 5,649 in taxable value as filed for parcels 09-05-2159, 09-05-2160-10, 09-17-2206, and to use corrected amount on spreadsheet due to crop acres are incorrect from 60 acres to 23.80 for parcel 09-07-2171, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote Ehrman – Yes, Jorgensen – Yes, Felchle – Yes. All voting “yes” the motion carried.

The Auditor reviewed with the board the proposed new Legislative districts. Sheridan County would be included with McHenry, Pierce, and Benson Counties as District #7 instead of being with Wells, Kidder and Burleigh Counties. This may change when the legislature meets in special session the last week of November.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to report that there has been an emergency incident in Sheridan County that has been reported to the State Health Dept. in regards to a powdered substance has been received on packages by a local business.

The Auditor reviewed the County holiday personnel policy for the New Year’s Eve day. Due to it being the last business day of the year and most offices are very busy with the public on that day, the Commission instructed that the Courthouse be open on New Year’s Eve day to serve the public.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Chairman