

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING September 7, 2004

The Board of County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. County Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard Erdmann.

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings was read and approved.

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

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,042.00  
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$450.00  
Sheriff, Fee, \$132.80

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

General - \$2,144.21	Social Welfare - \$1,244.47
Secondary Road - \$36.96	County Road - \$5,042.56
Highway Dist. - \$1,523.64	County Park - \$654.15
S.S. & OASIS - \$504.39	911 - \$844.55
Wireless 911 - \$500.63	

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

The August Payroll warrants #26147-26186 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

General Fund - \$20,674.33	Veteran Service	
Officer - \$241.66	County Agent Fund - \$1,284.33	Civil
Defense - \$387.50		
911 - \$387.50	Highway Dist. - \$12,841.76	
County Park - \$205.00	Weed Control - \$4,976.75	
Social Services - \$6,966.86		

The following bills #26212-26292 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv, 28.65; Walter M. Lipp, 116.29; McClusky Pharmacy, 16.42; Howard Erdmann, 44.54; West River Telecommunications, 661.69; Joyce H. Dockter, .75; N.D. Association Of Counties, 142.00; Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender Co., 29.20; Waste Management Of ND, 98.99; Eldon Ehrman, 97.52; LTM Business Concepts, 1.82; Burnie's, 381.96; Reliable, 161.73; Office Depot, 335.39; Cenex Credit Card, 325.60; Birch Telecom, 101.39; BHG, Inc., 396.07; Information Technology Dept., 375.00; Cellular One, 236.94; Shirley J Jorgensen, 74.24; Chief Supply, 167.94; Jack's Uniforms, 87.65; Centre Inc, 480.00; Kyocera Mita America Inc, 48.86; OMB/Surplus Property Division, 20.00; Bismarck Tire Center, 79.08; D&J Oil, Inc., 1,530.75; Lawson Products, 133.56; Newman Traffic Signs, 1,273.40; Menard's, 550.20; Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water, 44.12; NAPA Auto Parts, 435.91; CO-OP Elevator, 2,885.90; Bentz Supply Store, 117.77; Power Plan, 806.37; Crystal Schaunaman, 314.37; Diane Fyelling, 49.60; Verona Lechler, 106.64; Bentz Supply Store, 38.45; BHG, Inc, 75.20; James Haux, 48.67; Irvin Schneider, 148.26; Jerone Sauter, 15.50; Horvick

Manufacturing Co, 75.12;C-Store, 1,119.31; Gordon O Felchle,54.25;Co-Op Elevator,5,619.00; NDTc, 20.07; SRT Communications, Inc,12.88;West River Telecommunications,503.48; NDACo, 250.32; AT&T, 66.41;Cashman Nursery & Landscaping,48.80;Choice Financial Group,119.00; Coachman Inn, 37.50;Comfort Inn,135.00;Computer Software Assoc.,23.00; CRC Press,75.94;D&S Auto & Trailer Sales,57.83;Ed's Service,80.00; First District Health Unit,5,488.50;General Equipment Co,181.93;Heringer Lumber,247.19;Lindell Law Office, 200.00; McClusky Rur Ambulance Dist,56.00; MCI Comm Service, 7.23;National Sheriff's Assoc.,76.00; NDACo,358.78; Northwest Tire, 290.54;Brandon Mortenson, 60.00;South Dakota LTAP,60.00;Secetary Of State Office,655.40;Sheridan County 4-H Council, 98.75; 3-D Specialties,1,852.40;Viking Office Products,94.24;Volute Enterprises Inc,165.00

The following transfer was approved for September, 2004:

\$2,500.00 from General Fund to Civil Defense Fund

It was moved by County Commissioner Erdmann to extend the weed mowing deadline to October 1<sup>st</sup> due to wet and cool fall conditions, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Sue Ebach, County Nurse, met with the board to request if the County Commission is willing to provide the flu shots and pneumonia shots to the County employees at no cost. It was moved Commissioner Ehrman to approve that the County provide flu shots and pneumonia shots to the County employees at no cost, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote- Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 1:00 p.m. the hearing on the application for abatement of taxes filed by Dwayne Blumhagen for the W1/2 of 4-150-76 was held. Dwayne Blumhagen requested to correct the taxable valuation in S2NW4, Lots 3-4 4-150-76 due to inundated land from 41,290 to 37,940 in taxable value and the SW4 4-150-76 from 25,340 to 21,790 in taxable value. It was moved by Commissioner Erdman to approve the abatement as requested above, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. Blumhagen inquired about the land value for the NW4 should be lower than the SW4 also due to more alkali soils. Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, explained that another abatement would need to be filed or inquire to the assessor for next year's assessment period after February 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### BUDGET HEARING

The time being 2:00 p.m. the County Budget for the year 2005 was considered. No objections were heard. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann that the following Resolution setting the amounts budgeted and making tax levies for the ensuing year for County purposes be adopted. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the Resolution was declared adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has estimated and determined the expense for Sheridan County for 2005,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following amounts be budgeted and

levied on all taxable property in Sheridan County, taxes for 2005 as follows, all levies being subject to legal limitations:

FUND	AMOUNT BUDGETED	AMOUNT LEVIED
		Add Interim Fund & Deduct Estimated
Revenues		
General	370,761.00	
156,972.00		
County Road	<u>149,500.00</u>	
<u>4,900.00</u>		
	568,261.00	161,872.00
Human Services & Social Welfare	190,720.00	
154,540.00		
Emergency (2 Mill Levy)	15,000.00	
14,816.00		
Veteran Service Officer	3,310.00	
3,266.50		
Farm to Market (12 Mill Levy)	78,000.00	
74,440.00		
Unorganized Road Districts	200,000.00	
156,600.00		
OASIS & S. S.	127,500.00	
118,710.00		
Advertising	4,784.00	
4,741.50		
County Agent	41,241.50	
33,461.50		
Insurance Reserve	20,000.00	
19,920.00		
Highway Dist. (No Levy)	170,000.00	-
0-		
County Park (1/2 Mill)	17,900.00	
13,757.50		
Health District	21,793.00	
21,519.00		
Grasshopper (No Levy)		601.14
-0-		
Weed Control	131,900.00	
30,284.00		
Health Insurance	43,500.00	
29,675.00		
County Corrections	11,570.00	
11,438.00		
<u>Other Levies</u>		
HCRP (No Levy)	1,000.00	-0-
County Extension (No Levy)	1,000.00	
-0-		
Emergency 9-1-1 (No Levy)	11,865.00	
-0-		
Civil Defense (No Levy)	5,670.00	-
0-		
Senior Citizens (1.00)	9,500.00	
1.00 Mill Water Resource		-0-
-0-		
Historical Society	3,575.00	

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Wireless 9-1-1	4,000.00	-
0-		
Garrison Diversion Conser. Dist.	6,000.00	
1.00 Mill		
Soil Conservation District	6,000.00	
1.00 Mill		

Dated this 7th day of September, 2004.

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Chairman, County Commission

ATTEST:

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County Commissioner

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County Auditor

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County Commissioner

Mike Hanson, District NDSU temporary Director, and Crystal Schaunamann, County Agent, met with the board to discuss supplemental funding for the County Agent fund and the communication process with presenting reports to the County Commissioners on a monthly basis. Grant programs may be available later on and by then Schaunamann may know what her strengths and interests of programs are. Programs will be scheduled soon for County Extension activities.

The application for abatement of taxes filed by Darin Frueh for the E2 Section 17 and E2 Section 20 146-74 was reviewed and forwarded to the tax director. The hearing was scheduled for October 7, at 2:00 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to return the weed control bill that the County received back to the Weed Control Board and the weed control secretary was instructed to order the weed control board take care of the County's property that has noxious weeds at the Weed Control's expense being it is within the same county levies monies, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to report that Aggregate Cons. Is crushing gravel in the Don Wenning pit for the Bureau to be placed along the canal. Contacts will be made to Aggregate Const. to see if they will crush extra gravel for the County being Ralph Volson has not been able to crush gravel yet. Culvert issues were discussed on the secondary road.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve a royalty contract for sale of gravel with Charles Netzloff in NW4 11-147-78 for .30 per yd, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The Auditor was instructed to advertise for a heavy equipment operator. Applications will be reviewed at the October 7, 2004 meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve signing the lease contract with Marshall Feland for leasing 21' x 30' space in the old lumber yard building located on Lots 1-7, Blk 1, Original, McClusky City, for \$50.00 per month, to be used as an impound/storage area for

the Sheriff's Office, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the Utility permit from West River Communications to bury communication line over a secondary road north of McClusky between Sections 1 & 2 and township roads in Mountain City Twp. between sections 1 & 2 & 12, 13 & 14, and 23 & 24, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss criminal issues in the County and that another computer license was requested for the Sheriff's office in order to run the used computer that they acquired from the Social Service Office. The Sheriff's office was authorized to purchase an operating license from NDACo office in order to run the used computer.

The Auditor reported a building permit was issued to Randy & Deborah Miller for a 60' x 80' wood framed commercial building in the SE4 25-148-76.

At this time Clyde Schmidt, Aggregate Const., met with board to discuss crushing gravel in for the County in the Don Wenning Pit. Schmidt stated their crushing gravel price is \$2.25 per yd. No action was taken at this time.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve that the Chairperson be authorized to sign the haul agreement with Holen Construction to haul rocks on Pickardville north secondary road and .50 mile south of McClusky City, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call - Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The polling places for the 2004 November General Election were left the same as the 2004 June Primary Election as follows:

- Precinct No. 1 - Martin City Hall - Martin City, Martin Twp., Georgetown Twp., Berlin Twp., New Germantown Twp.
- Precinct No. 2 - Strassburg Twp. Hall - Strassburg Twp., Rosenfield Twp., Highland Twp., Granville Twp.
- Precinct No. 3 - McClusky City Hall, Community Room - Holmes Twp., Harris Twp., Lincoln-Dale Twp., Prophets Twp., Mt. City Twp., Hellman Twp.
- Precinct No. 4 - Goodrich City Hall - Schiller Twp., Fairview Twp., Mertz Twp., Boone Twp.
- Precinct No. 5 - McClusky City Hall, Community Room - Pickard Twp., McClusky, Twp., McClusky City, Lamont Twp., Edgemont Twp., Johns Lake Twp., Whittaker Twp.
- Precinct No. 6 - Goodrich City Hall - Denhoff Twp., Goodrich Twp., Goodrich City, Sperry Twp., Mauch Twp.

Elmer Knodel and Gordon Felchle, Water Resource Board, met with the board to update on the water litigation issues they are faced with by Lake Lily near McClusky City.

The County Shop in Martin City was discussed to be partially rented out to Roy Filler. Commissioner Ehrman will contact Roy Filler on amount of rent and the other part of the building is already rented to

Martin City for mowing the lots.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

Chairperson

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING September 27, 2004

The Board of County Commissioners met at 2:30 p.m. on call of the Chairperson. Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard Erdmann.

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

At this time Edwin and Louise Vietz, landowners, met with the board to request approval from the board to seek selling their land and farmplace to the US Fish & Wildlife that is located in the S2 35-146-76; NE4, SW4 34-146-76, and Lot 4 Section 2-145-76 that consists of 680 acres. They have had their land advertised for awhile however; no committed buyers so far and they would like to settle before leaving to Colorado before the winter.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve that Edwin and Louise Vietz allow US Fish and Wildlife to appraise their property, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - no, Jorgensen - yes Majority overruled motion carried. The County Commission recommended to Edwin and Louise Vietz to still try to advertise locally and on the internet yet, if possible, for other buyers to consider purchasing their land being there is a farmyard involved.

The ND Assoc. of Counties President, Mike Montplaisir, also Cass County Auditor, ND Assoc. of County Commissioners President, Bob Freije, also a Ramsey County Commissioner, and Wade Williams, NDACo staff, met with the board to conduct a tour of the Courthouse and visit on NDACo and County legislative issues.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to report that Scott Schaunamann, Blademan, has been injured off the job and will not be to work for weeks. Another mower operator is needed. Gross and Commissioner Ehrman will make contacts to some local individuals to help mow if needed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

Chairman