

County Commission Meeting December 4, 2007

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

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

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

County Recorder, fees, \$1,616.00  
Clerk of District Court, fees, \$455.00  
Sheriff, fees, \$212.00

The total Miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of November, 2007:

General - \$5,256.54	County Road - \$8,094.00
Highway Dist. - \$14,158.27	County Park - \$80.00
SS & OASIS - \$244.56	Weed Control - \$341.96
Civil Defense - \$694.43	911 - \$838.85
Wireless 911 - \$221.89	

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

The November payroll warrants #32152-32186 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$19,183.68	Service Officer - \$ 241.66
County Agent - \$760.57	Civil Defense - \$400.00
911 - \$387.50	Highway Dist - \$11,322.49
Weed Control - \$ 2,017.05	Social Services - \$3,161.15

The following bills #32199-32255 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv.,42.30; Walter M. Lipp,156.20;McClusky Rexall,2.98; Howard Erdmann, 94.05;WRT,1,130.66; N.D. Assoc. Of Counties,88.76;Official Payments Corp.,165.00;Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.,132.40;Sylvia Schell,20.00;Waste Management Of ND,41.07;Gall's Inc.,88.78;Eldon Ehrman,32.40;Janice D. Erdmann,75.60;Fireside Office Plus, 852.55;Office Depot,154.72;Cenex Credit Card,279.95;Birch Telecom,72.76; BHG, Inc.,196.42; Information Technology Dept.,417.40; Shirley J Jorgensen,102.15;Institute Of Local Gov't, 200.00;Centre Inc.,480.00;D&J Oil, Inc.,11,682.09;Lawson Products,561.56; Lelm Implement,Inc.,25.87;Konschak Oil Inc.,2,198.94;Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,270.16;NAPA Auto Parts,12.74;Farmers Union Oil Co.,365.16;Alltel,202.89;Diane Fyelling,99.00; NDSU, 63.00;Midwest Graphis & Signs, 90.00;Mechanics Plus,55.45;Northland Community Hc, 106.00; Richland County Auditor,46.04;James Haux,81.00;Jerone Sauter,202.05; Donald Hausauer,125.10;Bryles,1,191.97;Chemsearch,606.72;RDO Equipment Co.,193.13;Aramark, 9.45; Botach Tactical, 219.85; Coast To Coast Solutions,89.47;Medcenter One,111.00; NDTC, 18.20; SRT Communications, Inc.,12.88;Menards,374.63;RV Enterprises,13,860.00;NDAEA. 75.00; NW Tire Inc., 2,481.32; Ramkota Hotel,146.00; St Alexius Comm. Pharmacy,29.60

Judy Beaudry, AXA Advisor, with the County supplement deferred compensation program and life insurance program, met with the board to report there will be a .60 annual increase in the County Term Life Insurance per employee effective January 1, 2008.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to report he completed the survey sent out by the ND Dept of Health that was sent to Commissioner Ehrman. Houston also reported the 2007 Homeland Securities were approved that was requested by the local entities and the Sheriff's office. Houston will be attending a 911 meeting in Bismarck discussing the new paging protocol. The 911 updates will be posted only by the County Emergency Managers now due to liability issues so there are no reposting errors at the State level. The software

program to send the updated 911 information will cost \$852.00 for a five year contract. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the 911 software cost of \$852.00 over a five year period, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes. The motion carried.

At this time, Commissioner Ehrman was present.

Herb Bargman, Wold Engineering, met with the board to present the new year calendars and discuss the upgrading of the secondary road 5.5 miles south of McClusky that includes the curves to be scheduled for 2009/2010 construction season.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve signing a County Deed over to Albardale Properties, LLC for Lot 1, Block 4, West, Goodrich City in the amount of \$500.00 and to cancel any leftover taxes if any, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes. Motion carried.

Kenneth Korschak, County employee, met with the board to inquire about the Veteran's disability property tax credit procedure.

LaRae Dockter and Vonnie Erdmann representing KED, Inc, aka – The Union, met with the board to request lowering the County liquor and beer license fees.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve lowering the beer & liquor fee cap on the liquor and beer license schedule to \$800.00 for a liquor license and \$350.00 for a beer license effective Jan 1, 2008, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the beer and liquor license application for 2008 to KED, Inc, aka. The Union, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve all the highest silent auction bids that were bid by 5:00 p.m. of Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote- Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried. Other silent auction items that have no bids will be extended to be bid upon until 5:00 p.m. Monday December 17<sup>th</sup> with final approval of the highest bidder by the County Commission meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

Bob Sitzman, Otter Tail Power Co., met with the board to discuss a dual electric boiler system for the Courthouse. The electric heat comparison to heating fuel would save over \$15,000 per year. Sitzman will collect measurements of the heating area in the Courthouse by the January Commission meeting in order to start advertising for contractors to install and purchase an electric boiler.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to appoint Thomas Sauter to the County Water Resource Board effective 1/1/2008 for a 3 year term, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to re-appoint JoEllen Ehrman as a member of the County School Reorganizing Committee, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss the tractor mower bid from Lelm Implement, Harvey. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to purchase a Schulte S100 10 ft rotary cutter with foam filled air craft tires for the government bid of \$13,200.00 with half down after January 1<sup>st</sup> 2008 and the remaining amount payable in 2009, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to report that the McClusky Merchants Assoc. approved \$1,795.00 towards purchase of taser guns and \$300.00 from the City of McClusky towards purchase of a new pistol. Rifle estimates around \$800.00 were reviewed. More info on

the rifles will be investigated further and report back at the special County Commission meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve conducting the Primary Election by the Vote by Mail process and to leave the six precinct boundaries as was in the 2006 election, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

A Christmas Open House at the Courthouse was again scheduled for the same afternoon as the McClusky merchants appreciation meal that will be held the evening of December 12<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to install a new light fixture on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor landing, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

The meeting recessed until December 18<sup>th</sup>.

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Auditor

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Chairperson

County Commission Meeting December 19, 2007

The County Commission meeting met at 11:30 a.m. as set. Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard Erdmann. The meeting was changed to the 19<sup>th</sup> rather than the 18<sup>th</sup> due to other meeting schedule conflicts.

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

The jury chair packet from Fireside office was reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to authorize the Auditor to apply for a grant for a Courthouse Facilities Improvement Grant for 12 Jury base chairs upon receiving the cost amounts, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Jorgensen – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor presented rifle estimates from the Sheriffs office at \$1,216.00 each from Clyde's Armory. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to purchase two rifles with only \$2,000.00 paid now out of the County Corrections fund and the remaining to be paid after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Erdman – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

The silent auction bids for the remaining County Surplus property were reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to accept all high final bids as received by the Auditor's office, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Jorgensen – yes Motion carried.

The January County Commission meeting that would normally be on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, lands on New Year's Day. The January County Commission Meeting date was re-scheduled to Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008.

The Auditor was instructed to advertise for bids on the discount tank wagon price for fuel for the County. Bids will be opened January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

Janice Erdmann, County Treasurer, met with the board to discuss the income tax reduction procedures that will involve her office reporting the paid property taxes of property owners to the ND State Tax Department.

The Auditor reported on the 2005 tax abatement that Allan Tinker challenged the County in court. The court system ruled in favor of the County.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Chairperson