

County Commission Meeting July 7, 2015

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners present were Howard Erdmann and Steven Eisenbeisz. Absent: Michael Axt Others present: Gable Rhoads, McClusky Gazette reporter

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings were sent out in the mail to board members and approved as sent.

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

County Recorder, fees, \$2,374.00  
Sheriff, fees, \$194.00

The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of June, 2015:

General - \$73,678.30	County Road – 40.00
Highway Dist. - \$17,355.05	County Park - \$3,930.00
Insurance Reserve - \$804.50	County Extension - \$300.00
911- \$1,533.30	

The June payroll warrants #64691-64721 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$27,530.28	Highway Dist. - \$18,589.33
County Park - \$1,932.77	Veteran Service Office - \$428.75
County Agent - \$817.29	Weed Control - \$3,215.10
Civil Defense - \$591.58	911- \$575.69
County Corrections - \$2,887.50	BCI - \$3,120.00

The following bills #64731-64817 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Services Inc.,121.18;Bentz Supply Store, 229.65; McClusky Gazette, 28.34;Shirley A. Murray,244.86;Howard Erdmann, 116.58; WRT, 737.91;Co-Op Elevator, 3,503.84;N.D. Association Of Counties,989.46;Uniform Center,197.50; Gall's/Quartermaster, 254.58;Tracy Stein,69.60; N.D. State Radio Communication, 2,108.28;Butler Machinery Company, 83.98;Janice D. Erdmann,232.00; Fireside Office Products, Inc.,1.99;Office Depot, 459.24;Birch Communications, Inc.,149.27; BHG, Inc., 344.16;Information Technology Dept., 1,242.15;C-Store,1,002.66; Kenschak Oil Inc.,4,076.28;McLean-Sheridan Rur. Water,167.79; Napa Auto Parts,83.70; Power Plan,1,043.52;Farmers Union Oil Co.,378.00; Heringer Lumber, 8.27;Advanced Business Methods,702.48;Atco International, 80.00;Mechanics Plus,40.70; Dakota Central Social Services, 31,842.73; UGTPI/NDSU – NDLTAP,900.00; Roberts Floral Inc.,47.95; Steve Eisenbiesz,74.24; Nicole Wardner,724.17; Erin Lauer,318.75; NRG, 1,108.00; Matthew Lisic,127.29;Rath & Mehrer, PC.,6,500.00;David Berquist Septic Tank Ser.,360.00; James Paulus,212.62;TSC Plan,14.99;Gooseneck Implement,146.40; Wayne Houston, 220.40; NDTC, 29.24;SRT Communications, Inc.,34.16; Americ Inn,240.00; Feickert Drilling Co., 187.95; Evenson Excavating,18,440.00; Office Of Attny General-1250, 340.00;A&G Trucking, 17,674.85; ND Insurance Dept.,1,387.34; Kaleigh Naser,20.00; Michael Axt,108.46;Applied Concepts, Inc.,145.00; Office Of The State Auditor,165.00;Verendrye Electric Coop.,497.00; HACTC, 195.00;Visa,907.23; McClusky City, 41.00; Holen's Super Valu,43.74; Turtle Lake Rexall Drug,3.68; WM Of WI-MN, 491.49; Matthew Bender & Co Inc.,182.20; Verizon Wireless,341.44;Orrin Holen,70.00; Farm & Home Publishers, Ltd,520.00; C&H Glass, 96.00; Ladd Erickson, 81.20; Don Ebach, 150.00; McLean Family Resource Center, 300.00; Pharm Chem, Inc.,196.60; Kassidee Logsdon,20.00;Strata Corporation,54,480.55;The Attic,614.97; Wold Engineering, PC., 28,524.16; Lee Boehm,40.00; Strassburg Township,14,486.60; Bill Voegel,145.90; Tom Volochenko,680.00; Lyle Zinke,602.00

James Paulus, Veteran Service Officer, met with the board to report that a new van is being provided by ND Dept. of Veterans Affairs to transport veterans to doctor visits for Wells County, Kidder County, Stutsman County, and Sheridan County and Paulus requested if each County will help support funding for fuel, insurance, and maintenance of the van up until

October than the new grant year will support hiring of a driver, fuel, insurance and maintenance of the van. Costs are unknown at this time. The Commission was in favor of the veteran transit idea and Paulus will get more information on how the coordination of the transit program will work.

Jenny Teumer, County Treasurer, met with the board to present the pledge of securities to cover county deposits. It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve the pledge of assets report as filed by the County Treasurer, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to report that Deputy Lisic's Sheriff's vehicle is at Doug's Auto Body getting repairs on the back door latch and window. Naser presented state fleet prices for a new Sheriff's vehicle. Naser will include a new Sheriff's vehicle in the 2016 Sheriff Dept. budget request.

The time being 11:00 a.m. the County Commission meeting recessed for the County Park Commission meeting. County Commissioner Michael Axt was present at this time.

The County Commission meeting reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

Nicole Wardner, County Agent, met with the board to review her narrative of office activities and update on upcoming activities. 4-H Achievement day is Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> with a community supper to follow. Wardner discussed upcoming budget line items and to request more office clerk hours due to more extension programs that Wardner will go for training and be offering. Sheriff Naser was present also to discuss the part time sheriff's office clerk position that Diane Fylling currently fulfills and is also part time as County Agent office clerk position with the County Agent office. Naser stated he would like more office clerk hours to have someone in the office during all office hours to be available to the public esp. when they are out on calls. The 2016 County Department budget requests will be considered further at the August County Commission meeting.

The time being 1:30 p.m. the abatement hearing for 2014 property taxes on Melvin Schlafman's property located in the NE4 less canal tract in Section 31-146-77 was held. Marvin Schalfman was present. The Tax Director's report identified 22.89 acres of the 113.25 acres were inundated which brought the True and Full value down from \$41,678 to \$33,250. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the abatement as reported by the Tax Director, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

James Paulus, Veteran Service Officer, called by speakerphone to report he talked to ND Dept. of Veteran Affairs for more explanation on the Veterans Transit Van Program. It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve taking on the Veteran's Transit Van Program if the other three counties agree to go along with splitting the expenses and James Paulus will oversee the program, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Eisenbeisz – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The time being 2:00 p.m., the County Commissioners recessed for the reconvened County Equalization meeting. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 2:15 p.m.

Lonnie Wangen, with ND Veterans Affairs office called by speakerphone to explain how the Veteran's transit van grant came about. Wangen reported the grant was first applied for transit systems with-in bigger cities in the state, however; the federal funding was only to be utilized for Veterans in rural areas so the Veteran transit system for rural areas came to be. The rural Counties are to use the van as they see fit and coordinate efforts together with sharing expenses among county regions. The van is a new Dodge van and has a portable ramp for wheelchair accessibility. A memorandum of understanding will be following in the mail soon.

The Auditor was instructed to publish the 1<sup>st</sup> cut weed mowing notice by July 15<sup>th</sup> with the road crew to start mowing twp. roads after August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Herb Bargmann, Wold Engineering, met with the board to review land sale comparisons to decide on prices to landowners along the north farm to market road from McClusky for the County to purchase right of way acres and easement acres.

It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve the H.A. Thompson & Sons chemical treatment plan in the amount of \$5,380.00, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Eisenbeisz – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve Tecta America (Target Roofing) to approve Courthouse roof repairs in the amount of \$5,635.00, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve (5) utility permit applications to SRT Communications to bore under roads in Martin twp., Berlin Twp., Rosenfield Twp., and Strassburg twp., in order to install and maintain the new fiber optic cables, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss road projects that need repairs.

It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve the 2013-2014 bi-annual audit prepared by Rath & Mehrer, P.C. as filed in the County Auditor's office, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve that the Food Pantry be allowed to place a storage cabinet in an area in the community room that does restrict access to going into storage areas and the community room, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor reported the following building permits were issued to the following:

Dale Axt – 10'x 26' mobile cabin in the W2NW4 13-147-78  
David & Karla Fox – 30'x 74' modular home with three stall garage 40'x50'  
In Outlot C of SW4SE4 21-148-75

A raffle permit was issued thru the Auditor's office for the Farm Bureau with the drawing held at the Union. Sales of raffle will go towards supporting Farm Bureau events.

The Auditor presented a letter of concern from Dan & Jeanie Sobieck who reside in Highland Twp that had issues with primarily the roads by their driveway in Highland Twp. County Commissioner Eisenbeisz reported he had spoken with the property owners already and explained they needed to discuss the road issues with Highland Twp. officers being Highland Twp. is an organized Twp.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

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Chairman

County Equalization Meeting reconvened  
July 7, 2015

The Sheridan County Equalization meeting reconvened at 2:00 p.m. Members present were County Commissioner Howard Erdmann, Michael Axt, and Steve Eisenbeisz. Others present was Gable Rhoads, reporter for McClusky Gazette.

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was to equalize the residential property in the County. The County Auditor reported the total taxable value for residential property was 658,233, up 4% from last year.

The second order of business was to equalize the commercial property in the County. The County Auditor reported the omitted commercial property in Denhoff twp. of \$13,800 true and full value was added on and the McClusky Co-Op Elevator anhydrous tanks were depreciated from \$170,044 True & Full Value down to \$116,638, a 31.5% decrease for a total of \$398,501 taxable value, up 6% from last year.

The County Auditor reported the new grand total of taxable values for Sheridan County was \$12,302,650. One mill is worth \$12,302.65, up \$498.60 per mill from last year.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the Residential and Commercial values as reported by the County Auditor, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

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Chairman

County Park Commission Meeting  
July 7, 2015

The County Park Board met at 11:00 a.m. Park Commissioners present were Arlington Helm, Marlin Engen, Steven Eisenbeisz, Howard Erdmann, and Michael Axt. Also present: Gable Rhoads, McClusky Gazette reporter.

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

Kim and Jennifer Saueressig, met with the board to request a sandy beach be developed on the south side of the camping area along Hoffers Lake up to the boat landing if possible so the public is not so congested by the boat landing for safety concerns and that they would donate sand from their gravel pit. The Auditor will contact the Bureau of Reclamation for approval and further investigation into the request.

Helm reported Rhoads Improvement stated if placing metal roofing on gazebo it would be mostly wasted due to the octagon shape of the gazebo. Helm will get an estimate from Rhoads Improvement for shingling the gazebo at the Hoffer Lake Recreation Area.

The following bills were approved:

Office Depot, \$69.31; Turtle Lake Rexall Drug, \$3.68; Lee Boehm, \$40.00; McLean-Sheridan, \$116.03; David Berquist Septic, \$360.00; VEC, \$430.81; Bentz Supply Store, \$47.66; C-Store, \$111.62; TSC, \$14.99; C&H Glass, \$96.00

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary

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Chairman