

County Commission Meeting March 4, 2014

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

Chairman Axt called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was sent in the mail and approved as sent.

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

County Recorder, fees - \$1,492.50

Sheriff, fees - \$82.00

The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of February, 2014:

General - \$5,069.03

County Road - \$13,550.00

Civil Defense - \$916.58

Secondary Road - \$61,353.44

Highway Dist. - \$20,806.69

911 - \$1,529.50

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

The February payroll warrants #62562-62596 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$25,091.62

Veteran Service Officer - \$408.33

Weed Control - \$400.89

911 - \$548.28

Highway Dist. - \$15,015.56

County Agent Fund - \$778.37

Civil Defense - \$563.41

County Corrections - \$2,198.73

The following bills #62609-62661 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Services Inc.,49.36; Shirley A. Murray,74.10; Howard Erdmann, 87.21; Co-Op Elevator,18.82;N.D. Association Of Counties, 365.40; Tracy Stein,74.10; ECN,532.35; Braun Interec Corp., 411.23; Eldon Ehrman,76.95;Cynthia D. Wahl,152.76; Fireside Office Products, Inc.,3.06; Office Depot,470.34; Birch Communications, Inc.,133.56; BHG, Inc.,277.71; Information Technology Dept., 1,319.35; Mclean County Sheriff's Office,1,320.00; D&J Oil, Inc.,5,846.29;Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,51.76; Napa Auto Parts,570.50; Power Plan, 235.32; NDSU Extension Service,8,039.97; ND States Attorney Assoc.,300.00; Atco International,80.00; Mechanics Plus,167.93; Dakota Central Social Services,14,220.57; ND Weed Control Association, 275.00;NRG, 249.65; James Paulus,145.13; Comfort Inn,74.00; Synergy Graphics, Inc.,430.09; Wayne Houston,71.82; NDTC,31.86;SRT Communications, Inc. 17.08; Severin, Ringsak & Morrow,1,300.00; Stein's Inc.,56.11;Northwest Tire, Inc.,3,374.32; Wex Bank,4.00; Menards,110.79; Grafix Shoppe, 422.25; Visa,619.01; McClusky City,59.00; Holen's Super Valu,49.75;WM Of Wi-MN,61.91; Verizon Wireless,269.47; Taser International,

271.70; Ladd Erickson,71.25;Topcon Positioning Systems,299.40; Ecolab Pest,87.50; Wold Engineering, PC.,34,311.79;Britta Boyer,300.00; McClusky Twp.,15,900.00

Cynthia Wahl, Tax Director, met with the board to report that the USDA-(United States Dept. of Agriculture) has implemented a more detailed soil mapping classifications from 55 to 178 classifications that will used for this year’s land values statewide. Wahl stated the McClusky City Assessor position is vacant again. The Goodrich City Assessor position may be filled. Samantha DeMunbrun met with the board to report she is resigning as assessor from the unorganized road districts of Johns Lake, Hellman, Lamont, and Mountain City and organized twps. of McClusky and Prophets due to other commitments. Wahl will assess the unorganized rd. districts that Samantha had on her own time until a new assessor is appointed.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to re-appoint Karen Korschak, Arthur Waltz, and Thomas Sauter to the planning Commission for a four year term, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to adopt the following load limit resolution, and instruct the road foreman to post the load limit regulation signs when the state posts load limit signs up also, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes All voting “Aye” the resolution was declared adopted.

LOAD LIMIT RESOLUTION

The Board of County Commissioners again appeals to the public for cooperation in observing LOAD LIMIT REGULATIONS on County Roads. Owing to the present conditions of the roads it is absolutely necessary to observe these restrictions if roads are to be saved this spring:

SINGLE AXLE – 300 pounds per inch width of tire, plus 2,000 pounds, not to exceed 12,000 pounds

TANDEM AXLE – 300 pound per inch width of tires, not exceed 12,000 pounds per axle

In case road restrictions are not observed it will be necessary to enforce the law regarding such restrictions.

SHERIDAN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MICHAEL AXT, CHAIRMAN
ELDON EHRMAN
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Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to present a state quote for a 2014 Ford Expedition in the amount of \$29,730.00 without trade in from Nelson Auto Center, Fergus Falls, MN. North Country Bank, McClusky, quoted a 2.5% interest rate and Choice Financial, Goodrich, quoted a 3.25% interest rate on 4-5 year loan. It was moved by Commissioner

Ehrman to purchase a 2014 Ford Expedition from Nelson Auto Center in the amount of \$29,730.00 in a 4 yr loan through North Country Bank, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the estimate from Rhoads Home Improvements, McClusky, in the amount of \$3,200.00 to repair the floor in the Treasurers vault room with laminate planking, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to advertise for cement work to construct (2) 48'x 24'x 6" cement slabs for the North McClusky shop and the Goodrich Shop, bids to be opened on April 1st at 2:00 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to also include in the advertisement to install foam insulation for the above mentioned county shops and the Martin county shop, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve to enter into a funding agreement with ND Supreme Court for reimbursement of the 2015-2017 biennium Clerk of Court services, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to stay with last year's culvert prices, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

An application for abatement of 2013 taxes was filed by Kenneth Knodel c/o Elmer Knodel for on NE4 and SE4 Section 11-150-75 and was reviewed. The hearing was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on April 1st, 2014.

The time being 1:00 p.m. Douglas Straus, G&R Controls, Fargo, reviewed the air conditioner Courthouse grant project for the 3rd floor courtroom, judge's chambers, and jury room that 75% was approved by the Court Facilities Improvement Advisory Committee and the County's share of 25% is \$25,175.00. Discussion was to find out how much more would cost to add in the south offices on the 3rd floor. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the 3rd floor air conditioning grant project upon finding out what extra amount of engineering services and supplies would cost to add air conditioning to the south offices of the 3rd floor, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Herb Bargmann, Wold Engineering, met with the board to present the construction engineering services agreement with NDDOT for the south 2.23 miles from McClusky. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to authorize the Chairman and the Auditor to sign the

agreement, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Thomas Sauter, met with the board upon the board’s request. The board inquired if the Water board will still pay for a portion of culvert expenses for organized twps. Sauter stated right now more expenses are going out than coming in unless more tax revenues are assessed.

At this time the 2013 Sheridan County Financial Statement was reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the 2013 Sheridan County Financial Statement as filed in the County Auditor’s office, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

The time being 3:00 Michael Axt was dismissed from the meeting due to other commitments.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to report that new brakes and battery were ordered for the County Park Belarus tractor and also a new battery for the pay loader.

Thomas Sauter, Kevin Vietz, and LeRoy Becker, Sheridan County Water Board members, Lynn Oberg, Shannon Jeffers, McLean-Sheridan Rural Water, Brock Storrusten with Moore Engineering, met with the board to discuss a Vision West Study is being done to figure out how to fund costs for replacing a water tower for McClusky City and other surrounding cities that are on rural water systems. The state water commission has an April 15th grant deadline for water projects that would include water towers and any rural water flooding projects. The study will cost \$15,000.00. Cost share of the study was inquired from the Sheridan Rural Water board and McClusky City. A meeting with McClusky City will be held next Monday, March 10th to discuss the study costs and if there is a need.

The County Commission recessed until March 20th 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commission Meeting March 20, 2014

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners present were Michael Axt and Eldon Ehrman. Absent: Howard Erdmann Others present were Steve Eisenbeisz, candidate for 1st District County Commissioner, Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, and Dustin Melby and Greg Ditsworth, RDO Representative.

Chairman Axt called the meeting to order. The purpose of the meeting was to review bills for renting the county disk, discuss how to get a tractor for mowing with the no bid New Holland program, and consider quotes on JD Motorgrader.

The Auditor presented maps of two organized twps. road miles that were disked with the County disk to review. The Auditor was instructed to send bills out for each side of the road at \$10.00 per mile as per maps filed in the County Auditor's office.

The Auditor reported that the New Holland no bid tractor was not going to be available due to the new Harvey equipment dealer is not a New Holland dealer. The Auditor was instructed to make contacts to see if another New Holland dealer in the state can deliver the County a NH tractor in the same program.

Dustin Melby and Gregg Ditsworth, with RDO Equipment, met with the board to present quotes on new 2014 JD 772G Motorgrader at \$275,300.00 including wing and v-plow at 3.50% interest rate with 5 annual payments at \$29,020.55 starting March 2014 thru March 2018 ending with a \$167,200.00 balloon payment in March 2019 and would be delivered in 3 months. Melby also presented a 2012 JD 772GP Motorgrader quote at \$270,750.00 including wing and v-plow at 3.5% interest rate with 5 annual payments at \$33,675.87 starting March 2014 until March 2018 ending with \$135,900.00 balloon payment in March 2019 and would be delivered next week. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve purchasing the 2012 JD 772 GP that has extra features and will be delivered next week, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman