

County Commission Meeting August 2, 2011

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

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings was sent out and approved as sent.

The following Statements of fees were collected from the following funds for July, 2011:

County Recorder, fees, \$1,228.00

Sheriff, fees, \$630.00

The miscellaneous receipts were collected in the following funds for July 2011:

General - \$51,729.50

County Road - \$3,309.36

County Park - \$4,810.00

Weed Control - \$3,146.95

911 - \$1,231.20

Unorganized Rd. Dist. - 17,541.90

Highway Dist. - \$18,378.09

County Extension - \$810.27

HCPR- \$62.50

The July payroll warrants #38462-38499 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$25,542.27

County Park - \$930.60

County Agent - \$722.72

Emergency Manager - \$462.50

County Corrections - \$2,333.33

BCI- \$3,000.00

Highway Dist. - \$10,974.04

Service Officer - \$304.17

Weed Control - \$2,842.21

911 - \$450.00

Policing - \$890.00

The following bills #038511-38577 was approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv.,44.25; Bentz Supply Store,142.92;McClusky Gazette, 28.00;McClusky Rexall; 6.65; Shirley A. Murray, 66.30;Howard Erdmann,187.17; Co-Op Elevator,102.75; City Of McClusky,18.00;Eldon Ehrman,73.44; Fireside Office Products, Inc., 2.84;Office Depot,355.62;Birch Communications, Inc.,127.99; BHG, Inc.,374.67;Information Technology Dept.,433.60;US Postal Service, 220.00;Institute Of Local Gov't., 60.00; Cass County Treasurer,53.00; C-Store,53.22;D&J Oil, Inc.,8,691.66;Konschak Oil Inc.,4,246.26; McLean-Sheridan Rur Water,92.00; NAPA Auto Parts,284.26;Power Plan,66.32; Farmers Union Oil Co.,371.80;NDSU Extension,14.00;Mechanics Plus, 900.86; Wal-Mart,123.42;Dakota Central Social Services,4,416.70; NRG,391.58;David Berquist Septic Tank Ser.,450.00; NDAAO,150.00;James Paulus,251.92;TSC,2,468.98;Wayne Houston,459.51; NDTC,18.20; SRT Communications, Inc.,17.08; A&G Trucking,18,297.40;Michael Axt,71.40; Severin, Ringsak & Morrow,480.00; Stein's Inc., 63.48;ND State Auditor,165.00;Meckle Excavating, 90.00;Menards,156.20;McClusky Public School,37.00;Frey Insurance Agency,218.00; Visa, 502.12; McCusky City,75.00;Goodrich Legion,35.65;Holen's Super Valu,90.92;Turtle Lake Rexall Drug,13.61;Emily Kline,188.20;Ward Williams,37.50;WM Of WI-MN,427.06; Merchants Capital Resources,2,700.00;Eric Hetland,116.77;Matthew Bender & Co Inc., 454.66;AT&T Mobility,317.55;Escosupply,458.88;Vaaler Insurance/Bismarck,190.00; Peerboom Farms,2,308.00;Beaver Creek Archaeology,1,100.00;RV Enterprises,1,437.00; A & G Trucking,4,231.00;Calvin Buxa,100.00

The auditor reported a 2011 Club Cadet riding lawn mower was purchased at TSC for the Courthouse grounds due to the former 10 yr old riding lawn mower engine went out. The old Huskee riding lawn mower from the Courthouse will be transferred to the County Park to be used for parts being the County Park riding lawn mow is the same brand name.

The board instructed the auditor to send in a request to GDCD to use the spoil gravel pile located in SE4 31-146-77 (McClusky twp) to place material along section lines between Johns Lake Twp Section 6 and McClusky Twp Section 31 to the Vernon Kurle Farm.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to discuss FEMA sites. Being the state met the federal disaster threshold, the FEMA matching amount will be 90% on grade raises and the state will match 7% with the local share left at 3%.

The Auditor reported a building permit was issued to Larry Svoboda to construct a 22'x 24'x 10' two door garage on a tract in S2NW4 10-150-74.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve reimbursing the emergency fund back for expenses in pushing the snow back in twps where needed from the snow disaster monies that were received from the state in the amount of \$6,457.50, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the resignation of Brian Fitz as blade operator effective immediately, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The one application from Byron Belile for road blade operator was considered at this time. Bryon Belile will be contacted to go out in the blade with Alvin and try blading and see how it goes.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the 2010 Pioneer Historical Society annual report, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

Steve Reiser, Dakota Central Social Services Director, met with the board to review the 2012 Dakota Central Social Services dept budget.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to appoint Eldon Ehrman as the delegate for the NDACo convention, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve paying out the comp time built up from the snow disaster for Alvin Gross and Jason Smith, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdman – yes Motion carried.

Sheriff, Trent Naser, met with the board to review the 2012 Sheriff and County Correction Dept budgets. Increase in salaries, fuel, and to upgrade one of the vehicles was the bigger line items requested.

Herb Bargman, Wold Engineering, was contacted by speakerphone in regards to the detours along the south Pickardville farm to market road. Bargman reported the federal highway administration has not acted on the detour sites yet, however; estimates can be given to contractors to start getting bids. Bargman will investigate into right of way issues.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to report on prices of tires and rims for Cecil's blade. The lowest prices are at OK Tire for a total of \$6,338.00. It was approved by Commissioner Ehrman to order tires from OK Tire, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes motion carried. Culverts are running low and more culverts will be ordered soon.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve Kathy Mindt to start 4/5 time that authorizes 28 hrs per week minimum effective immediately with a salary at \$1,298.27 due to increased work load in the County Records office, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

At this time the County Department 2012 Budget requests were reviewed.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to increase the Emergency levy to 4 mills rather than 2 mills for the 2012 budget to help County emergency funding when disasters happen, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Axt –yes, Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The County Commission meeting recessed until August 16th at 11:00 a.m. to consider the 2012 County preliminary budget.

Auditor

Chairman

County Park Commissioners Meeting
August 2, 2011

The Board of County Park Commissioner met at 11:00 a.m. Park Commissioners present were Arlington Helm, Eldon Ehrman, Michael Axt, and Howard Erdmann. Absent: Marlin P. Engen

Chairman Helm called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and corrected to read that Tracy Stein handed out surveys and not Michael Axt at the Hoffer Lake Recreation Area over the 4th of July weekend.

Helm stated the septic tanks by the Hoffers Lake building are always filling up with water. Helm suggested digging the septic tanks out that maybe there is a leak through a seam in the tank. Helm will contact Meckle Excavating to dig up septic tanks and place a natural drain field pipe in also.

The Hoffer Lake Recreation Area survey results were reviewed. Playground equipment was the number 1 interest and more shower facilities and more camper pads were number 2 and 3 interests. When applying for a grant with GDCD and the Bureau of Reclamation, these interests will be taken into consideration. Axt presented the engineering plans to add more camper pads on the west side of the canal by the arboretum. It was moved by Park Commissioner Helm to add two more camper pad sites for a total of 12 additional camper pads to the engineering plan, seconded by Park Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Helm – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, and Erdmann – yes Motion carried. Axt will receive estimates on electrical installation to the camper pads and installation of water lines. Verendrye will place another meter in that location. The contractor will need to include meter installation in the electrical bid.

It was moved by Park Commissioner Ehrman to approve the 4-H organization to camp overnight free one night, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Helm – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the total 2012 County Park budget request of \$36,600.00, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Helm – yes Motion carried.

The following bills were approved:

McLean-Sheridan Rural Water, \$46.00; Waste Management, \$379.63; Bentz Supply, \$114.76; Co-op Elevator, \$92.75; David Berquist Septic Tank, \$300.00; Menards, \$92.76; Goodrich American Legion, \$17.82; Holen's Super Valu, \$46.09;

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Chairman

County Commission Meeting August 16, 2011

The Board of County Commissioners met at 11:00 a.m. as per recess stated. Commissioners present were Eldon Ehrman and Howard Erdmann. Absent: Michael Axt

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order.

The 2012 County preliminary budget was reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the 2012 County Preliminary Budget as filed in the auditors office for publication, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried. The 2012 County Preliminary budget hearing was scheduled to be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse in the Commissioners room.

The south Pickardville Farm to Market road that is under water was discussed further with Herb Bargmann, Wold Engineering, over the speaker phone. Bargmann suggested getting sign estimates from Dakota Fence, 3-D Signs, and Newman signs for the detour route. Also an access easement will need to be acquired from the Arthur Schell Trust for the south detour site. Commissioner Axt will be informed to follow through with contacting the Arthur Schell family on receiving the access easement approval before any work can be done. Also the US Fish & Wildlife will be contacted by Wold Engineering to receive approval for detour sites.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Equalization Meeting July 5th, 2011

The Sheridan County Board of Equalization reconvened at 2:00 p.m. as per recess stated from June 7th, 2011. Members present were County Commissioners Howard Erdmann, Eldon Ehrman, and Michael Axt. Others present were Cynthia D. Wahl, Tax Director, and Sherril Houser, Assessor.

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order.

The Auditor presented the Prophets Twp Equalization minutes that was brought to her office that was amended with an addendum to take off the increased True & Full value of \$2,950 on parcel #23-10-3129-10. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to leave the residential structure assessment on parcel #23-10-3129-10 as is being the amended minutes were in question and the assessor was not present at their twp equalization meeting, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor reported there was omitted property on parcel 3-8-3672, Denhoff Twp; 30-102-4208, 30-103-4244, & 30-108-4398-30 all McClusky City; so after adding omitted properties and making corrections to residential, commercial and agriculture values the final taxable values of Residential property is 556,992; Commercial 322,728, and Agriculture 7,015,138 or \$254.44 per acre. The Tax Director reported the sales ratio for Agricultural and Residential is still within 1% of the state allowed tolerance, however; the Commercial taxable values need to be decreased by 13% to stay within the state tolerance levels.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the agriculture and residential values and decrease the commercial values by 13% or to adjust down the commercial values to be within 100% of the state tolerance, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried. The Auditor reported the Commercial values total will be approximately at \$280,783 after the 13% decrease. The grand total County taxable valuation will be approximately \$7,843,540 or \$7,843.54 per County mill.

Sherril Houser, Assessor, reported that she will be reviewing her assessment books more detailed for next year's assessment and providing the County offices property cards showing footage amounts, etc. for each structure on the cards, which all assessors will be following through with next year also, being the 2011 legislature passed SB2294.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman