

COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING April 7, 2009

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

Chairman Ehrman called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings were read and corrected as filed in the Auditors office.

The following Statements of fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds for March, 2009:

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,400.00
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$350.00
Sheriff, Fees, \$378.00

The total Miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of March, 2009:

General - \$5,847.47	Secondary Road - \$40.50
County Road - \$6,833.14	Highway Dist. - \$12,013.70
County Agent - \$77.50	County Ext. - \$775.00
Weed Control - \$446.85	911 - \$578.55
Wireless 911 - \$667.09	

An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and was approved for the month of March, 2009.

The March payroll warrants #34441-34485 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$21,495.03	Service Officer - \$266.67
County Agent - \$817.57	911 - \$425.00
Civil Defense - \$412.50	County Corrections - \$696.00
Highway Dist. - \$11,840.00	County Park - \$10.00
Weed Control - \$1,305.00	Social Services - \$3,165.60

The following bills #34498-34575 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv.,45.05;Dakota Communications,80.00;Bentz Supply Store, 111.93;Walter M. Lipp,35.81;McClusky Gazette,144.00;McClusky Rexall,8.48;Howard Erdmann,94.50;WRT,1,160.13;Co-Op Elevator,1,122.54;Doug's Auto Body,100.00; N.D. Assoc. Of Counties,266.84;City Of McClusky,115.87;Unity Insurance Agency, Inc.,29.00; ND Treasurer's Assoc., 60.00;Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.,40.50;Sylvia Schell,10.00;Waste Management Of ND,182.44;Uniform Center & Embroidery,114.98; Reule's Super Valu, 414.22;Eldon Ehrman,128.00;Butler Machinery Company,2,604.00;Office Depot,412.79; Cenex Credit Card,21.00;Birch Telecom,101.28;BHG, Inc.,462.44;Information Technology Dept.,417.40;MEC Services Inc.,191.21;Institute Of Local Gov't,2,500.00;Cass County

Treasurer,62.00;D&J Oil, Inc.,5,032.25;Abused Adult Resource Center,165.00;Konschak Oil Inc.,3,724.45;Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,41.00;NAPA Auto Parts,863.95;Job Service ND, 93.63;Gerdau Ameristeel Corp.,38.66;Alltel,415.52; Hewlett-Packard Company,564.00; National Business Furniture,1,990.60;Mechanics Plus,386.81;Myron Dieterle,18.00;James Haux, 15.00;Jerone Sauter,23.00;Marshall & Swift,462.20;Donald Hausauer,6.50;NDACo Resource Group,566.24;Electronic Communications, Inc.,5,522.00;Capital Trophy, Inc.,63.00;Tractor Supply Credit Plan,50.92;Lyle Signs, Inc.,37.40;NDTC,18.20; SRT Communications, Inc., 25.76;Mercer Co Sheriff's Dept.,275.00; Clifford Kahler,22.00;Michael Axt,321.99; Stein's Inc., 142.38;NDSU,6.00;Midland Atlas Co, LLC,;3,000.00;Reliance Telephone, Inc.,2.10;West Coast Promotions, Inc.,186.48;Menards,39.34;James River Genealogy Club,25.00;Jon Reiser,8.00; Jordan Miller,25.00;Lisa Schmidt,30.00; BW-Ramkota Hotel,110.00;Alberta Strobel,144.00; Tyler Post,91.70;Jerica Jesz,91.70;Brittany Pfennig,13.10;Laura Logsdon,80.00;Ariah Iron Boulder,13.10;Angela Frank,13.10;Cayla Erdmann,13.10;Michele Frank,16.00

Crystal Schaunaman, County Agent, met with board to present the County Agent quarterly narrative from January-March. Activities held during the quarter were the Ag Forum February 11th and pesticide trainings in February and March. Developing and educating 4-H participants and continued to receive interest in contractors to construct the addition to the 4-H building. Energizing the Sheridan County Economic Development by focusing on the purpose of the organization. Annie's Project group was supported mostly by Turtle Lake area farmer's wives this year.

The time being 11:00 a.m., the County Commission meeting recessed for the County Park Board meeting.

The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Discussion on twp road annual maintenance agreements were reviewed and tabled.

The County Commission at this time inspected the new jury chairs and tables and reviewed the arc view detailed soil survey software program at the Tax Director's office and also reviewed the Blackberry software program for the emergency/911 addressing system in the Emergency Manager's office. Office monthly calendars were suggested to be posted at the front door of the Tax Director/911 office for the public to know when they are in the office being they are both part time and/or attending meetings.

Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss load restrictions on County roads and where to set up the temporary Highway Patrol regulatory stations. Naser presented job applications for the second Deputy Sheriff position to review. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to hire Christopher Kluth as the second deputy Sheriff position starting at \$2,000.00 per mth as soon as possible, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the computer and emergency 911 software to be installed in the second deputy sheriff vehicle, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor reported the application for Sunday opening at the Union Grill and Bar, McClusky, for Sunday, June 21st, 2009 was approved and filed in her office.

Herb Bargman, Wold Engineering, P.C., met with the board to discuss prices per acre on easements with landowners involved for upgrading the farm to market road south of McClusky. \$100.00 per acre easements for crop and non-cropland will be offered to landowners involved in the road project. Right of way amounts of \$670.00 for tillable acres and \$580.00 for pasture land acres will be offered to land owners involved in the road project. Fencing costs were reviewed. \$2,500.00 per mile will be offered to landowners that take down their own fence. The County will need to work with the lessee who rents the ND State Land quarter and will be offered the same amount for fencing costs. A meeting with the landowners involved in the road project will be held April 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Community Room. The Auditor was instructed to send notices out to landowners involved. A July state bid letting has been set for the road project.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the WRT utility relocation and adjustment agreement for the south McClusky road project, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the Gaming Site authorization for the Union Grill & Bar, McClusky, from July 1st, 2009 thru June 30, 2010, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss the road issues with the snow melt and road load limit restrictions. The minimum maintenance roads will not be opened yet unless requested. The road foreman was instructed to only maintain the main roads as they are top priority right now to the best that can be done with the wet conditions that are upon us.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to purchase a metal sign from Sheet Metal Specialties, Bismarck, to be placed in front of the Courthouse for the County Centennial celebration in the amount of \$800.00 - \$1,000.00 without installation or posts, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commission Meeting April 15, 2009

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 3:00 p.m. in special session after attending the transportation day with the legislatures at the North Dakota State Capitol to rally for more road funding for Sheridan County. Commissioners present were Eldon Ehrman and Howard Erdmann. Absent: Michael Axt

Chairman Ehrman announced the county and twp roads in the County are flooding in quite a few areas.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to adopt the following resolutions, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes The Resolutions were declared adopted.

FLOOD EMERGENCY DECLARATION
APRIL, 2009

WHEREAS, Sheridan County has received above normal snowfall during the 2008-2009 winter season resulting in excess moisture and runoff causing damage to county and township roads and culverts; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the excessive runoff on the county and township roads, and on residents both city and rural, threatens the health, well-being, and public safety of the citizens in Sheridan County; and

WHEREAS, the expense of cleanup, repair and replacement of the roads and culverts is in excess of available Sheridan County, resources and budgeted funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Sheridan County Commissioners declare a Flood Emergency exists in Sheridan County, North Dakota, including the communities of Denhoff, Goodrich, Martin, and McClusky; and order the activation and utilization of the Emergency Operation Plan, its procedures, attachments, and appendices to monitor the situation, alleviate hardship and initiate appropriate relief actions and mitigation measures by departments and agencies of local government to limit the hardships and impact of this emergency upon the citizens of Sheridan County.

Dated at McClusky, Sheridan County, North Dakota this 15th day of April, 2009.

ATTEST:

Auditor

Chairman, County Commission

FLOOD DISASTER DECLARATION
APRIL, 2009

WHEREAS, Sheridan County has received above normal snowfall during the 2008-2009 winter season resulting in excess moisture and runoff causing damage to county and township roads and culverts; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the excessive runoff on the County and township roads, and on residents both city and rural, threatens the health, well-being, and public safety of the citizens in Sheridan County; and

WHEREAS, the expense of cleanup, repair and replacement of the roads and culverts is in excess of available Sheridan County resources and budgeted funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Sheridan County Commissioners declare a Flood Disaster exists in Sheridan County, North Dakota, including the communities of Denhoff, Goodrich, Martin, and McClusky; and order the activation and utilization of the county Emergency Operation Plan, its procedures, attachments, and appendices to monitor the situation, alleviate hardship and initiate appropriate relief actions and mitigation measures by departments and agencies of local government to limit the hardships and impact of this emergency upon the citizens of Sheridan County.

Dated at McClusky, Sheridan County, North Dakota this 15th day of April, 2009.

ATTEST:

Auditor

Chairman, County Commission

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commissioner Meeting April 21, 2009

The Board of County Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Community Room as set. County Commissioners present were Eldon Ehrman, Michael Axt, and Howard Erdmann. Others present were: Herb Bargmann and Mike Rivinous, Wold Engineering representatives. McClusky Gazette Editor, Allan Tinker. Landowners present were: Kim Sparrow, Gerald & Barbara Lauer, Inez Krein, Rodney Lauer, Betty Allan, Leslie Lauer, Cynthia Wahl, DeEtta Schindler, Frieda Wahl, Elmer Laib, Todd Lasher, LeRoy Lauer, and Jim Murray.

Chairman Ehrman called the meeting to order and gave the floor to Herb Bargmann, Wold Engineering. Bargman and Rivinous presented a power point presentation on the right of way procedures for tillable and non-tillable acres according to ND State Law. Environmental studies and utility relocations have been conducted and agreed upon already. The top road bed will be 28ft wide and 32 ft wide from shoulder to shoulder. Cynthia Wahl, Sheridan County Tax Director has done comparable sales that the ND State Land dept has approved being there is State land involved that right of way needs to be purchased from them also for the road project. Tillable acres will be purchased at \$670.00 per acre and non-tillable acres will be purchased at \$530.00 per acre. Temporary easements will be paid \$100.00 per acre. Fence removal was set at \$2,500.00 per mile for the landowner to remove the current fence and relocate fence to the new right of way line. Completion date of the road project is unknown for know. The County needs the right of way documents sent into the ND Dept. of Transportation by May 8th for their review in order to have road project bid out for the July 17th state bid letting.

Questions were asked from landowners on how soon will the fences need to be removed?
– (answer: the County will not know until after the bid letting is held and depending on the contractor's schedule when they can start the road project.) Adding another approach? – (answer: Bargmann will make a note to add another approach in plans if possible yet) When was the last road work done on south McClusky grade and does the road really need to be upgraded?
- (answer - The south McClusky grade was built in 1949 and some spots were upgraded in the 1960's. The curves will be widened out for safety, hills cut down where needed and road raised for better snow protection.) The telephone cables were in question to be moved that would cost \$30,000.00 (answer – WRT may waive the telephone cable removal expense due to the cable may not be needed to be replaced being wireless internet/over the phone service towers are in place in the County and wireless services to customers should be available soon.

At this time the County Commissioners recessed from the Courthouse Community Room for the landowners to discuss the land issues that were presented and reconvened in the County Commission Room.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve paying the ND State Land Dept in the amount of \$4,978.30 for purchasing 9.11 acres of right of way and 1.00 acre of Construction Easement at the set prices per acre stated above, likewise; for the landowners involved on the south McClusky grade upon receiving the necessary signed documents, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

At this time the County Commission returned to the Courthouse Community room where the landowners were still present. The consensus of the landowners were in favor of the prices set for the purchase of right of way for the tillable and non-tillable acres and fence removal costs. Some landowners were concerned who to hire for removing their fence lines if the landowner is too busy to do it themselves. A few names of fencing contractors were given out.

The landowners who were ready to sign there right of way agreements did so and the remaining landowners who were absent will be contacted in the near future to go over the right of way procedures, payments, etc.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

COUNTY PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 7, 2009

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

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

The time being 11:00 a.m. bids for the addition to the 4-H building were received from the following:

Creekwood Const., Minot, with rolling steel door & no cement, \$34,504.00
with overhead door & no cement, \$28,104.00
Stein Const., Minot, (cement only), \$10,712.00
Old School Const., Mercer, cement, materials, and labor, \$54,500.00

It was moved by Park Commissioner Axt to approve the Creekwood Construction, Minot, bid of \$28,104.00 with the option to substitute a lesser cost 12 x 24' overhead door later and to change out the 30" walk out door to a larger handicapped walk out door, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Helm – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried. The County will supply dirt and landscaping with the County equipment as soon as weather permits. It was moved by Park Commissioner Erdmann to accept the Stein Const, Inc cement bid for the 40' x 40' addition to the 4-H building in the amount of \$10,712.00, seconded by Park Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes, Helm – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor and the Chairman informed the board that a few more handicapped areas need to be addressed according to the Bureau of Reclamation. A representative from the Bureau will be meeting with the County Park Board soon to discuss this further and the Bureau will pay for the handicapped updates that need to be addressed.

The following bill was approved and paid:

Waste Management, \$141.51

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Chairman