

COMMISSIONERS MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2000

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. Commissioners present were Gordon O. Felchle, Lloyd S. Bauer, and Eldon Ehrman.

Chairman Felchle called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and it was moved by Commissioner Bauer to rescind the motion from the January meeting about the FSA offices renting the community room until Jay Hochhalter, FSA Supervisor, has met with the board again, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

The following Statement of fees were approved and submitted to there appropriate funds for the month of January, 2000:

Register of Deeds, Fees, \$520.33  
Clerk of Court, Fees, \$255.00  
Sheriff, Fees, \$119.20

The total Miscellaneous Receipts were collected for the following funds that were approved for the month of January, 2000:

General Fund - \$ 20,632.86	Social Welfare - \$ 1,445.39
Unorganized Rd. Districts - \$ 2,556.69	Secondary Road - \$ 370.37
County Road - \$540.00	Highway Dist. - \$17,447.07
S.S. & OASIS - \$539.10	Advertising - \$120.31
County Agent - \$1,006.57	County Extension - \$15.00
Weed Control - \$ 803.29	911 - \$881.60

An itemized listing of Miscellaneous Receipts is on file in the County Treasurer's Office for review.

The January Payroll Warrants #16629-16663 were approved and paid out from the following funds:

General Fund - \$ 16,637.99	Service Officer - \$216.66
County Agent Fund - \$1,084.31	Civil Defense - \$337.50
911 - \$337.50	County Corrections - \$520.00
Highway Dist.- \$10,819.13	Weed Control - \$102.00
Social Welfare - \$7,264.22	

Warrants #16658-16754 were approved and paid out from the following funds for the month of February:

General Fund - \$ 8,472.32	Social Services - \$ 860.53
Human Services - \$ 507.35	Secondary Road - \$ 3,883.83
County Road - \$ 5,417.41	Highway Dist.- \$83.34
Insurance Reserve - \$141.78	Veteran Service Officer - \$40.00
Advertising - \$209.80	County Agent Fund - \$ 650.55
Weed Control - \$ 836.80	Civil Defense - \$ 43.73
911 - \$930.44	County Corrections - \$ 1,980.00

A listing of itemized expenses is on file at the County Auditor's Office for review.

Jay Hochhalter, FSA Supervisor, met with the board to discuss rental costs for FSA Offices to be in the courtroom and the community room. Measurements of office space used by FSA offices were measured by Hochhalter. It was moved by Commissioner Bauer to authorize the Chairman to sign a Memorandum of Agreement For Leased Office Space with the County Farm Service Agency for the Community Room of 760 sq ft. at 633.33 per mth. and the Courtroom of 965 sq ft. at 804.17 per mth. plus a one time fee of 1,600.00 for electrical re-wiring and that the agreement is on a month-to-month rental basis effective November 20,1999 until indefinite, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Elmer Laib, met with the board to discuss County culvert bill be waived on his approach. Further investigation with Wold Engineering will be done. Laib will return later to the meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to appoint Cynthia D. Wahl to the Dakota Prairies RC & D Council for a 2 yr. term, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

The application for abatement of taxes filed by Paul Damberger for on a residential structure located on the SW4 3-149-76 was reviewed. The Chairman stated the hearing on the abatement would be held March 7,2000 at 2:00 P.M.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to report on the FEMA sites that were appealed for Strassburg Twp., Harris Twp., and Goodrich Twp. have been approved and FEMA funds have been paid out that was approved. Martin Twp. site is still pending.

Jeanne Hochhalter, Extension Service, met with the board to report on different upcoming programs through their office such as the Spring Tillage Show at McClusky, Family Fun Night in March, and School programs talking with TJ.

The Auditor reported the year 2000 agricultural land assessment values are to increase by 4% according to the State Tax Commissioner's Office. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to only increase the agriculture land assessments by 2% and the ag values will still be within the 3% tolerance, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve MEC Services to install a new 100 amp panel with 30 circuits on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor by the washroom area in the Courthouse in the amount of \$3,500.00 and that Herb Neuharth order two new sinks, 10 gallon water heater, and plumbing for 2<sup>nd</sup> floor washroom and Kendon Faul to construct cabinet top for the sinks to be placed in and shelf for water heater to be placed on, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Roy Hoffman, Janitor, met with the Board to request \$50.00 per week increase in salary due to more office space is being used with the FSA Offices located in the courthouse which takes more hours to clean. It was moved by Commissioner Bauer to approve a \$200.00 per mth increase retroactive to December and continue until FSA Offices are no longer located in the Courthouse, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

The time being 2:00 P.M. the Weed Board members, Marilyn Schneider, James O. Haux, Myron Dieterle, Paul Stober, and Wesley Stein, met with the board. Dieterle explained some spraying records that were in question and that the Weed Control Board decided not to reimburse a 1% administrative fee to the General Fund for the Auditor's Office administering the Weed Control payroll or Treasurer's Office collecting the weed control bills as the Auditor's Office inquired about, due to other Boards should also pay administrative fees too; however the Weed Board will reimburse the County Agent Budget for phone expense, etc. The water hookup for the Weed Board Shop was discussed. A suggestion of trenching a pipe from the County Road Crew shop to the Weed Board Shop was agreed upon and the Weed Board will pay for water bills from May thru October each year. The Weed Board stated that they transferred a 1970 IHC Truck from their inventory to the County Road Dept. to be used for a possible sanding truck.

The Veteran Service Officer Report was read and filed for November & December 1999.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman that if an approach is requested to be constructed by a private landowner on a Farm to Market road and the landowner is the only one benefiting from that approach then all costs related to that approach are the responsibility of the landowner, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Delbert Hoffman, Chief Deputy Sheriff, met with the board to report that the new police vehicle has arrived and a new cage and light bar have been purchased and are being installed on the car. It was moved by Commissioner Bauer to authorize the Chairman and the Auditor to sign the lease agreement with GMAC for the 2000 Chevy Impala at \$608.43 per mth for a 3 year lease, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried. A part time Secretary for the Sheriff's Office was discussed. No action was taken at this time. A grant is being investigated for new radar equipment. The confiscated pickup may be able to be sold soon. The insurance payment was received on the old police vehicle that was damaged by an accident. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to deposit the Insurance payment to the radio grant fund for matching monies if a grant is approved for possible purchase of radar equipment in the future, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Elmer Laib, landowner, returned to the board to discuss the culvert cost being waived on his approach. Contacts were made to Wold Engineering and Laib is responsible for culvert costs as agreed upon when approach was approved to construct. Laib requested a statement from the County that he owns approach. The States Attorney will be advised.

The 1999 Pioneer Historical Society Annual Report was reviewed and found in order.

It was moved by Commissioner Bauer to re-appoint Darvin Engel to the Lewis & Clark CAPITAL Fund Board, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to report some issues that were of concern.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

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Chairman

COMMISSIONERS MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2000

The Board of County Commissioners met at 11:00 A.M. on call of the Chairman. Commissioners present were Gordon O. Felchle, Lloyd S. Bauer, and Eldon Ehrman.

Chairman Felchle called the meeting to order.

Ehrman reported that the contractor has been working on demolishing the inside of the motel structure and is requesting  $\frac{1}{4}$  of contract amount to be paid in the amount \$750.00. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to pay \$750.00 to Joey Blumhagen for  $\frac{1}{4}$  of per agreement of demolition of the old motel structure, seconded by Commissioner Bauer. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to report that he has terminated Kendon Faul and a notice of hiring another police officer will be posted on the teletype. The Auditors Office will contact Faul of his benefits that will be paid to him.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Auditor

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Chairman