

The Sheridan County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard Erdmann.

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved.

The following Statements of Fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds for April 2004:

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,436.00
Clerk of District Court, \$780.00
Sheriff, Fees, \$109.00

The total Miscellaneous Receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of April, 2004:

General - \$33,167.51	Unorganized Rd. Dist. -
\$10,907.33	
County Road - \$20,630.52	Highway Dist. - \$12,594.74
County Park - \$22,940.00	OASIS & SS - \$995.91
County Agent - \$2,250.00	County Extension - \$210.00
Civil Defense - \$693.15	911 - \$832.20
Wireless 911 - \$456.95	

The April payroll warrants #25440-25476 were approved from the following funds:

General Fund - \$20,975.83	Service Officer - \$241.66
County Agent Fund - \$1,284.33	Civil Defense - \$387.50
911 - \$387.50	Highway Dist. - \$14,384.62
County Park - \$352.50	Weed Control - \$810.00
Human Services - \$7,722.58	

The following bills #25501-25570 was approve and ordered paid subject to due or delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv,28.65;Dakota Communications, 1,676.29;Bentz Supply Store,117.08;Denise Melom,40.30;Walter M. Lipp,34.19;McClusky Gazette,86.65; McClusky Pharmacy,31.28; Howard Erdmann,39.99;West River Telecommunications,671.85; N.D. Association Of Counties,2,830.93;Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender Co.,128.55;Waste Management Of ND,33.65;Eldon Ehrman,52.70; LTM Business Concepts,16.71;Office Depot,413.05;Cenex Ampride Credit Card,417.28;Birch Telecom,108.91;BHG, Inc.,351.12;Information Technolgy Dept.,375.00;Cellular One,215.60; Shirley J Jorgensen, 48.05;Kyocera Mita America Inc,48.86;D&J Oil, Inc., 3,923.11; Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,65.90;CO-OP Elevator, 5,980.77; Drummond American Corp,416.32;Mandan Supply & Equipment Inc, 7,318.38;BHG, Inc,119.25;Donald Hausauer,44.95; NDTC,20.07;SRT Communications, Inc,12.88;West River Telecommunications,252.24; NDACO,228.48;Arlington Helm,40.30;Steven Murray,13.22;Paul E. Stober,111.10;Holen Construction Inc,5,000.00;Holen Construction,Inc.,2,220.89;Holen Construction Inc,5,223.20;AT&T Corp,150.00;Bismarck Tribune,308.70;Central Dakota Enterprises Inc, 25.00;Chase Drug,42.99;Comp Resource/Fidelity Factors, 245.61; Computer Software Assoc,132.60;CRC Press,75.94;Doug's Auto Body,50.00;Grand Forks Police Dept, 500.00;Jack's Uniforms & Equipment,259.20;Maximus Inc,25.00;Midland Atlas Company, 79.00; Motorola,5,676.75;ND Association Of Counties,6.00;NDACo Resources Group,1,524.00;Public Safety Center Inc,168.44;RDO Mack Sales & Service Inc,767.43;Alberta

Strobel,384.00;Doris Fischer,96.00;Evan Laib,61.80; Jeremy Tkach,77.25;Eden Melom,61.80;Brandon Mortenson,92.70;Tractor Supply Co,278.35; Universal Services,186.00;US Postal Service,300.00;

Andrea Kluck, co-owner of Gary's Place, met with the board to discuss a complaint about the Sheriff's Office with the break-in investigation at the bar/restaurant was not conducted thoroughly and properly. This will be discussed further with the Sheriff's Office.

Wayne Houston, Emergency Manager, met with the board to discuss the 2004 Federal Homeland Security Grant funds that have been sent in for the McClusky City Fire, Sheriff's Office, and other emergency response units that are based in the County. A flyer will be made up to be sent out to each post office box on a "Shelter in Place" in order to have a plan in place if a chemical spill happens in your area. Printing and mailing expenses of the Shelter in Place flyer will be paid out of the Hazardous Chemical Preparedness Response Fund. Possible availability of locks on anhydrous tanks may be allowed with upcoming grant monies.

Chairperson Jorgensen presented a letter of resignation from Marilyn Schneider from the Weed Board effective immediately. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve Schneider's resignation from the Weed Board, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to appoint Gordon O. Felchle to the Weed board to fulfill the remaining 3 yr term of Marilyn Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Gerald Sturn, NDSU Extension Director, met with the board to introduce himself and that he will be filling in for Tom Hanson being he resigned. Sturn reported the vacant County Agent position in Sheridan County is currently being advertised. The Ad was reviewed and the deadline to apply is May 21, 2004, applications are to be sent to the Bismarck Extension Office. When the interview process begins, Sturn suggested a member from the County Commission, 4-H Council, Weed Board, SCS, Farmers, and the Home Economist should be present for input.

The time being 11:00 a.m. the County Park Board met. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

Edward Baker, Road Foreman, met with the board at this time to help review the Blade Operator applications. The Road Foreman will make contacts to applicants to do a trial run on operating motorgraders. Interviews were scheduled to be held on May 13th starting at 10:00 a.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to post load limit regulation signs all year around in Sheridan County, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. Crushing gravel was discussed in length. Aggregate Const. will be setting up a gravel pit for the Bureau of Reclamation for canal projects anyway. Sunde Gravel will also be contacted on crushing gravel prices. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve a \$50.00 per mth. increase effective June 1, 2004 to Alvin Gross for the Head Mechanic Position for the Road Crew, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. The County equipment schedule rates and culverts prices were reviewed and will be updated to the new increased prices.

The Housing Authority Annual Meeting will be held on May 13th at 9:30 a.m. Clifford Dockter's term is up.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss criminal issues. Commissioners suggested to change voice mail message with home phone #'s included for assistance. Deputy shifts were discussed. Deputy shifts did start then vehicles started to break down and family issues have arised so work shifts will start up again when vehicles are all running again. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve purchase of an antenna and upgrade in the amount of \$420.00, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. Gessner reported the 2003 Homeland Security monies of \$2,820.00 that will purchase portable generators, lights, etc for emergency purposes will be ordered soon with reimbursement to follow. The 2004 Homeland Security monies of \$24,000.00 will be awarded to the Sheriff's Office for surveillance cameras in the police vehicles and other equipment for training.

The Veteran Service Officer for Jan - Mar was read and filed

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the Games of Chance Site Authorization located at the Hi-Way Lounge effective for July 1, 2004 until June 30, 2005, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The Auditor presented a building permit that was authorized to Harley & Linda Houser to construct a 40' X 80' pole building shop in Outlot A in Section 1-146-77.

It was moved by commissioner Ehrman to approve amending the election precincts and polling places for Sheridan County to be set as follows for the 2004 Primary Election:

<u>Number & Name of Precincts</u>	<u>Polling</u>	<u>Place</u>
<u>Inspectors</u>		
No. 1 Martin City, Martin Twp., Arlene	Martin City Hall	Bender
Georgetown Twp., Berlin Twp.,	Herr Ave.	
New Germantown Twp.	Martin, ND	58758
No. 2 Strassburg Twp., Rosenfield Twp. Hall Cindy Hunter	Strassburg	
Sec. 15-150-77	Twp., Highland Twp.,	
Granville Twp		
No. 3	Holmes Twp., Harris	Twp.
McClusky City Hall Delila Reile	Community Room	
Lincoln-Dale Twp., Prophets		
Twp., Mt. City Twp., Hellman	117 Ave	B
East Twp.	McClusky, ND	58463
No. 4 Schiller Twp., Fairview Twp., Luann Rauser	Goodrich City Hall	
Mertz Twp., Boone Twp.,	122 McKinley Ave	

- No. 5 Pickard Twp., McClusky Twp. McClusky City Hall
Edna Neuharth
McClusky City, Lamont Twp., Community Room
Edgemont Twp., Johns Lake Twp., 117 Ave B East
Whittaker Twp. McClusky, ND 58463
- No. 6 Denhoff Twp., Goodrich Twp., Goodrich City Hall
Ted Dockter Goodrich City, Sperry Twp.,
122 McKinley Ave
Mauch Twp. Goodrich, ND 58444

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve another cell phone line to be added for the Sheriff's office, seconded by commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann -yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The County Equalization meeting was set for Tuesday, June 1st, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Courthouse.

The meeting recessed until 9:30 a.m. May 13, 2004.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commission Meeting May 13, 2004

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

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

Arlington Helm, County Park Board member, met with the board to receive authorization to install extra valves at the new County 4-H building for draining the water in the fall. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to authorize Helm to install extra valves in the new building at Hoffer's Lake Recreation Area to help drain the water better so pipes don't freeze up for the winter, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 9:30 a.m. the Housing Authority Board members met in conjunction with the County Commission meeting. Members present were Thomas Sauter, Arthur Waltz, and Armin Erdmann. Absent: Lloyd Bauer and Clifford Dockter

The minutes of the previous Housing Authority meeting was read and approved.

Newly appointed Marsha Schneider, Wells-Sheridan Housing Director, Harvey, met with the board to present the 2003 report as follows:

The total housing assistance paid out in 2003 was \$48,232.00. There were only 21 families receiving assistance in the last three months of 2003. Four of these families were from Sheridan County and 17 from Wells County. By January 1, 2004, one of the families from Sheridan County no longer qualified for assistance, and another moved to Bismarck, for a total of 19 families: 3 from Sheridan County and 22 from Wells County. Currently there are six families on the waiting list, one from Sheridan County and 5 from Wells County.

Schneider stated the Denver Office will be auditing her files and spot tenant inspections due to reports were not filed on time because of her computer having a virus. A separate computer will possibly be purchased for just the Housing Authority Office in her home.

Schneider reported the Administrative Plan is being reviewed for prioritizing for elderly versus younger applicants. Schneider will discuss changing Adm. plan with the Denver office and get back to us if we need to have a special meeting for approving a new Adm. Plan. Borrowing housing vouchers from another County who have extra housing vouchers can also be done. Budget can be revised also.

Schneider presented the new Housing Assistance brochures to the board for review.

It was moved by Housing Authority member Arthur Waltz to re-appoint Thomas Sauter as Chairman and re-appoint Armin Erdmann as Vice-Chairman for the Housing Authority Board for 2004, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Waltz -yes, Sauter - yes, Erdmann - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

There being no further business the Housing Authority Board adjourned.

The County Commission Meeting reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to appoint Walter Filler to replace Clifford Dockter on the Housing Authority Board effective immediately, due to Dockter's term is up and no longer wishes to serve on the board, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - Ehrman yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to appoint Ladora Scheussler to replace Lloyd Bauer on the Housing Authority Board effective immediately, due to Bauer has missed over two consecutive meetings, seconded by Shirley J. Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

At this time Aaron Stein, McClusky, met with the board to be interviewed for employment of operating Motorgrader equipment for the County. Stein's application was reviewed and questions were presented and answered.

At this time Joshua Baker, McClusky, met with the board to be interviewed for employment of operating Motorgrader equipment for the County. Baker's application was reviewed and questions were presented and answered. Baker was informed that due to nepotism, he could not be

hired at this time, however; to apply again in the future when employment changes.

The time being 1:00 p.m., Kenneth Korschak, Goodrich, met with the board to be interviewed for employment of operating Motorgrader equipment for the County. Korschak's application was reviewed and questions were presented and answered.

The time being 2:00 p.m., Leonard Marquart, Anamoose, met with the board to be interviewed for employment of operating Motorgrader equipment for the County. Marquart's application was reviewed and questions were presented and answered.

At this time the Courtroom was examined by the Commissioners for improvements that need to be done for noise reduction. Installing carpet on the North wall and partially on the floor was suggested. Grant funds from the State of ND may be available this fall for improving Courtroom facilities. No action was taken at this time.

The time being 4:00 p.m., Scott Wolt, Mandan, met with the board to be interviewed for employment of operating Motorgrader equipment for the County. Wolt's application was reviewed and questions were presented and answered.

Under serious consideration, it was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to hire Aaron Stein and Kenneth Korschak for the blade operator positions for the County effective June 1st, 2004, starting mthly salary is at \$1,659.00 plus health ins., life ins. and retirement benefits, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Sundre Gravel, Minot, was contacted by speakerphone for crushing gravel in some pits in the County that are getting used up. The Road Foreman was instructed to conduct gravel testing at gravel pit sites and crushing gravel prices will be considered then.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor
Chairperson