

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

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

County Recorder, fees - \$1,300.35
Clerk of District Court, fees, - \$555.00
Sheriff, Fees - \$120.80

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

\$1,233.92	General Fund - \$45,423.26	Social Services -
\$905.04	Unorganized Rd. Dist. - \$13,928.61	Secondary Road -
	County Road - \$4,502.00	Highway Dist. - \$14,104.47
	County Park - \$500.00	SS & OASIS - \$240.00
	Weed Control - \$1,579.81	911 - \$923.40
	Wireless 911 - \$505.42	

An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts are on file at the County Treasurer's Office.

The October Payroll warrants #26485-26518 were approved from the following funds:

\$241.66	General Fund - \$21,164.33	Service Officer -
	County Agent - \$1,284.33	Civil Defense - \$387.50
	911 - \$387.50	Highway Dist. - \$11,320.48
	Weed Control - \$961.13	Social Services - \$7,293.95

The following bills #26544-26597 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv, 66.80; Walter M. Lipp, 84.19; N.D. Newspaper Association, 41.04; Pitney Bowes, Inc., 338.23; Howard Erdmann, 73.15; N.D. Association Of Counties, 895.00; Gall's Inc., 36.93; Eldon Ehrman, 58.45; Burnie's, 187.73; Janice D. Erdmann, 88.44; Office Depot, 78.46; Cenex Credit Card, 521.05; Birch Telecom, 123.27; BHG, Inc., 611.47; Cellular One, 238.42; Mclean County Sheriff's Office, 500.00; Shirley J Jorgensen, 108.15; Kyocera Mita America Inc, 48.86; C-Store, 30.89; Bismarck Tire Center, 889.35; Roger Trautmann, 41.65; Co-Op Elevator, 4,046.09; Bentz Supply Store, 179.73; Power Plan, 84.80; Mandan Supply & Equipment Inc, 8.45; Crystal Schaunaman, 493.23; C-Store, 19.00; NDTC, 20.07; SRT Communications, Inc, 12.88; NDACo, 252.71; Verendrye Electric Coop., 1,323.52; Tractor Supply Company, 69.83; Holen Construction Inc, 3,000.00; Randy Miller, 626.40; RV Enterprises, 4,474.40; Holen Construction Inc, 61.20; AT&T, 37.62; David Bergquist, 85.00; Bismarck Ramkota Hotel, 384.00; Computer Software Assoc, 30.25; Custom

Truck Accessories, 158.29; Decatur Electronics
Inc, 157.50; Doug's Auto Body, 66.25; Foster County 4-H Council,
4.00; Alvin Gross, 60.60; Guardian Lock & Safe Inc, 1.25; The
Harvester Restaurant, 70.00; Johnston Fargo Culvert Inc, 4,320.17;
Region IIV ATOD, 25.00; Roberts Floral, 31.80; ND TTT Center, 200.00

Bonnie Helm, Courthouse custodian, met with the board to discuss decreasing her work hours down to 25-30 hrs per week. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to decrease Helm's hours down to 25-30 hours per week as needed to keep the Courthouse maintained, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Charlene Mahoney, Rural Advocate of the Abused Adult Resource Center, and Stan Stelter, Development Director for Abused Adult Resource Center, met with the board to review the federal grant through the Dept of Justice for the Abused Adult Resource Center has been cut back. The Abused Adult Resource Center has provided a Rural Outreach program affecting victims of domestic violence and sexual assault for families in Sheridan County. Other private entities have been inquired to help support the program also. A contribution of \$3,140.00 was requested from Sheridan County for the Abused Adult Resource Center in Sheridan County to keep operating. No action was taken at this time.

Joe Martinetti, Interstate Engineering, met with the board to discuss the detailed soils and GIS process that has been slow to get completed. Cynthia D. Wahl, Tax Director, met with the board to report on setting up the parceling on ARC view in the computer for taxing purposes that she has completed so far. Martinetti reported that once the parceling of ARC View is set up for all property then the soils type can be dumped into ARC view to calculate the tax formula. Martinetti requested to set up a timeline to get the parceling completed by the summer of 2005. Wahl stated that Denhoff Twp., Boone Twp., Goodrich Twp., and Fairview Twp. does not have their crop and non-crop acres separated out yet and the assessor has resigned in those townships with no replacement has been appointed yet to her knowledge. Wahl stated Mary Feickert may be interested in a few of the assessor positions. Commissioner Erdmann will contact Feickert for the Boone Twp assessor position. The other three townships need to appoint an assessor as soon as possible.

The application of abatement of taxes filed by Allan Tinker for property in Harris Township was reviewed and forwarded to the Township Assessor and the Director of Tax Equalization. The hearing on the application for abatement of taxes was scheduled for December 7, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

Janice Erdmann, County Treasurer, met with the board to discuss posting the taxes on the Internet on the County's website. The County Commission opted to not post the taxes online yet.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve a utility permit for West River Telecommunications to cross township roads in Sperry Township between sections 12, 13, & 14, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Walter M. Lipp, States Attorney, met with the board upon the board's request to discuss weed mowing issues and road issues.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve that the Chairperson and the County Auditor sign a Quit Claim Deed from the

County to April N. Hieb for re-purchasing Lots 18-19-20, Block 1, Original, Goodrich City, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann -yes, Ehrman - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The time being 2:00 p.m. the hearing on the minimum sale prices was held. Being there were no objections, it was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to keep the minimum sale prices as set, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. The County forfeited land sale will be held November 16, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

Crystal Schaunaman, County Agent, met with the board to present her monthly narrative report of activities within the Extension office. The Sheridan Association past members were contacted and a possible meeting will be advertised in the paper to reorganize. The 4-H shooting sports club first meeting was held with a great attendance. Also another 4-H club may form in the McClusky area. Other 4-H issues and concerns were discussed. Farmers have been contacting her on fall spraying, pest problems, etc. Schaunaman attended the No-till planning and general cropping meeting in Carrington, Pesticide Training in Fargo, Fall Extension Conference in Fargo, and the Area IV Weed Board meeting in Mandan for October. The Martin open house potluck to meet Schaunaman was very much appreciated and was a great way to meet the north county residents. Weed Control issues were discussed also. The Weed Board was instructed to attend the December meeting to discuss weed control issues further.

Weldon Wagner, landowner, and Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss road issues and weed mowing. Wagner requested that dirt be placed on a road in Lamont Twp.that is no longer under water and needs to be repaired in order to get across with his farm equipment to his property so there is not so many traveling miles to go around. Commissioner Erdmann stated that Bauer would possibly agree for Wagner to go around pothole in order to get across as long as no crop is present. The road foreman stated the road crew is still busy trying to get roadside weed mowing completed and blading roads. Wagner stated he will use his equipment where he could at no expense to the County. The County Commission instructed Wagner to start on the road repair project and do as much as he can with his equipment and the County will haul fill in. The heavy equipment operator applications were considered again. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to hire Raymond Stair effective as soon as he can start with starting salary at \$1,659.00 per month, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried. Minimum road maintenance signs will be installed as soon as the road crew has the time to do it.

The Court Facilities Improvement grant through the ND Supreme Court was reviewed. Chairperson Jorgensen and the Clerk of District Court, Joyce Dockter, will receive estimates on improvements done to the Courtroom and get back to the board at the December meeting.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss criminal issues within the County. Deputy Axt is in Civil Process training this week in Bismarck.

The Auditor was instructed to pay all Election cost bills after the County Canvassing Board has met.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairperson

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2004

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 11:45 p.m. on call of the Chairman. Commissioners present were Shirley J. Jorgensen, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard Erdmann.

Chairperson Jorgensen called the meeting to order.

Resignations from Bonnie Helm, Courthouse Custodian, and Verona Lechler, Extension Agent, were presented at this time. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to accept the resignations from Bonnie Helm and Verona Lechler, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The Courthouse Custodian position will be advertised in the McClusky Gazette for 2 weeks with application deadline by December 6, 2004. Courthouse custodian applications will be considered at the December 7th Commission meeting with interviews to be scheduled for December 14th. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to pay \$9.00 per hour (plus benefits) for 28 hrs per week for the Courthouse Custodian position, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes, Erdmann - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

NDSU Extension Service will be contacted on the vacant Extension Agent position so they can start advertising to fill the position.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman