

County Commissioners Meeting November 3, 2009

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

Chairman Ehrman 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:

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,616.00  
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$266.00  
Sheriff, Fees, \$404.54

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

General - \$41,958.47	Unorganized Rd Dists. - \$13,342.08
Secondary Road - \$4,582.20	County Road - \$1,297.86
Highway Dist. - \$16,903.45	County Park - \$600.00
SS & OASIS - \$271.90	Co. Extension - \$1,000.00
Weed Control - \$1,252.81	Civil Defense - \$686.27
911 - \$771.40	Wireless 911 - \$775.20

An itemized listing of miscellaneous receipts is on file at the County Treasurer's office.

The October payroll warrants #35502-35540 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$21,481.45	Veteran Service Officer - \$266.67
County Agent Account - \$817.57	Civil Defense - \$425.00
Emergency Manager - \$412.50	Highway Dist.- \$11,555.00
County Park - \$153.00	Weed Control - \$1,283.90
Social Services - \$3,226.32	County Correction - \$2,000.00

The following bills #35553-35621 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv.,45.05; Bentz Supply Store,166.77;Walter M. Lipp,35.86; McClusky Gazette,22.00; Shirley A. Murray,71.50;Howard Erdmann, 239.25;N.D. Association Of Counties,1,080.08;Waste Management Of ND,176.63;N.D. Sheriffs & Deputies Assoc., 15.00;Eldon Ehrman,170.50;Butler Machinery Company,841.97;Fireside Office Solutions, 4.35;Office Depot,987.21; Birch Telecom,151.08;BHG, Inc.,315.52;Information Technology Dept.,438.60; MEC Services Inc.,159.40;Mclean County Sheriff's Office,2,018.75;Institute Of Local Gov't.,240.00; Jack's Uniforms,90.89;D&J Oil, Inc.,6,369.02;Konschak Oil Inc.,5,626.68; Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,131.98; NAPA Auto Parts,319.55; Alltel, 209.07; Crystal Schaunaman, 400.50; Diane Fyelling,29.63; ND Co Recorders Assoc. 75.00;Post Board, 25.00;

Mechanics Plus,82.38;Sybil Peterson,210.00;Alberta Voegele,239.81;OMB/ND Surplus Property, 40.00; Myron Dieterle,155.65; Roberts Floral Inc., 54.00;James Haux,127.05; Jerone Sauter,58.30;Donald Hausauer,42.90;NDACO Resource Group,886.82;David Berquist Septic Tank Ser.,300.00;James Paulus,112.99;Dakota Hydra-Power & Mach.,140.00;Donna's Patchwork Cottage,95.00; NDTC,18.20; A&G Trucking,7,859.60; Michael Axt,95.70; Stein's Inc.,138.96;Shonella Lemer,195.00; Bis-Man Tractors And Equipment,1,034.81;Dakota Awards, Inc.,391.50;Meckle Excavating, 200.00; Verendrye Electric Coop.,251.00;Menards,256.30; ND 4-H Foundation,5.00; NDEA,75.00; Holiday Inn, 169.41;Frey Insurance Agency,272.00; North Country Visa,166.52;NDEA4-HYW, 80.00; BW Ramkota Hotel,441.00;Runnings Farm & Fleet,79.99; McClusky City, 30.50;Dallas Pfenning,558.00;Don Wenning,32.00;Charles Netzloff,282.00

The following transfer of funds was approved as follows:

\$2,872.80, Unorganized Road District to Secondary Road, for crushing gravel  
\$5,831.11, Unorganized Road District to County Road, for hauling gravel

Terhold and Deborah Hegney, new residents on the Faith Hegney farm, that live along the north secondary road in Strassburg twp near the Rosenfield church area, met with the board to report that gravel needs to be placed on the secondary road. Being it is so late in the season the board suggested gravel is usually not placed on the roads anymore. Further discussion will be held on the graveling issue with the road foreman.

Dave Peske, US Census Bureau, met with the board to discuss the Census procedure. Sheridan County responded in 2000 at 72% return rate participation. The US Census Bureau is requesting assistance from the counties to educate the public in completing the census form. College students are counted at their physical location as of April 1<sup>st</sup> 2010. \$28 million dollars came into Sheridan County up to 2008 in some shape or form including Social Security benefits and grants due to census bureau statistics. The US Census Bureau would sponsor any awareness ideas or events up to \$2,900.00. A Be Counted site was requested by Peske in the County. The Board suggested a couple of hours per week in all three communities, Martin, Goodrich, and McClusky as be counted sites in Sheridan County. The Census residency rule is where the resident lives over six months of the year is the place of residence. Mid March is when the US Census Bureau will start sending out the Census form and the public have until the end of June, 2010 to respond. The US Census Bureau will provide a census flyer reminder that will be sent along with the tax statements in December. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to adopt the following proclamation and a recommendation of the to be counted sites to be located at the memorial home in McClusky, the Community center in Martin, and the fire hall in Goodrich upon approval of the local cities, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

#### 2010 Census Partner Proclamation

WHEREAS, an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day care centers, roads and public

transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and achieving an accurate and complete count of the nation's growing and changing population;

WHEREAS, more that \$400 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based, in part, on census data;

WHEREAS, census data help determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and often is used for the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils and voting districts;

WHEREAS, the 2010 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment;

WHEREAS, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law;

NOW THEREFORE, WE PROCLAIM THAT, Sheridan County is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2010.

As a 2010 Census partner, we will:

1. Support the goals and ideas for the 2010 Census and disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage those in our community to participate.
2. Encourage people in our community to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness and ensure a full and accurate census.
3. Support census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count.
4. Create or seek opportunities to collaborate with other like-minded groups in our community by participating in Complete County Committees and/or utilizing high-profile, trusted voices to advocate on behalf of the 2010 Census.

Signed this 3<sup>rd</sup> of November, in the year 2009.

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Chairman, Sheridan County Commission

Crystal Schuanaman, County Agent, met with the board to request purchasing a new computer for her office clerk with half cost share paid by NDSU and the remaining \$300.00 out of the capital outlay acct. and any leftover amount to be taken out of the County Extension pesticide acct. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve purchasing a new computer for the extension office clerk, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

The Chairman was authorized to sign the loan papers from the North Country Bank for the new Sheriff 4x4 crew cab pickup at 4% interest rate for 4 years.

At this time, Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to report on the grants for the video cameras to be installed in the sheriff vehicles. The grant may run short \$1,600.00. The amount short could be paid out of next year's Sheriff equipment budget. Deputy Kluth will be done with the police academy mid November. Naser reported on tractors being shot up in the County that is being investigated. Portable surveillance equipment may be able to be applied for with a grant in the near future to help track down criminal actions.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to re-appoint Donald Hausauer and Myron Dieterle to the Weed Control Board effective November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, for a 4 year term, 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 Detention Center agreement that provides custody, care and safekeeping of juveniles placed in detention at \$182.85 per day beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> 2010 thru the end of 2010, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to re-appoint Crystal Schuanaman and Darci Gahner as State Fair Delegates representing Sheridan County, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call votes – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt that the Chairman sign the Federal Aid road forms accepting to upgrade the remaining 2.50 miles south of McClusky in 2011 for an estimated cost of \$571,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to authorize the auditor to place the 2008 delinquent roadwork and roadside mowing bills that are on file at the County Auditor's office on the 2009 property tax list as County Special Assessments, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The time being 2:00 p.m. the hearing of the annexation of the McClusky City Fire District into the McClusky Rural Fire Protection District was held. Present were Kurt Mortensen, Clifford Bentz, and Jeffrey Martwick. No objections were heard. Discussion stated was that grants are more available when fire districts are consolidated. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the annexation of the McClusky City Fire District into the McClusky Rural Fire Protection District effective immediately, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried. Graveling the roads was also requested by hearing attendees.

The time being 2:15 p.m. the hearing on the forfeited lands to the County was held. No one was present for objections. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to add property located in on Lots 6-7-8-9, Blk. 3, Jasmann's Addition, Goodrich City, at the value of \$3,600.00 if the monthly Contract for Deed rent payment is not received by publishing legal notice timeframe and to increase Lots 2-3, Blk. 5, Original, Martin City to \$3,115.00 due to extra County mowing bill was just received in the Auditor's office and to leave the rest of the value of

properties as set, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

James Paulus, Veteran Servicer, met with the board to request to attend classes with the Dept. of Veteran Affairs. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve Paulus to attend 3-4 day classes in December at Fargo with the Dept. of Veteran Affairs, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried. The Auditor presented Paulus’s accreditation training report card to the County Commission and is on file in the County Auditor’s office.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to split the FEMA adm. costs from the project worksheets of the Spring flood in half with the organized townships to cover office supply costs associated with the FEMA sites, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried.

A building permit was issued to Thomas Kaiser on Lots 3 & 4 Section 4-149-74 for an 8’x 16’shed onto a mobile home.

Alvin Gross, road foreman, met with the board to discuss roadside weed mowing and graveling issues. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to compensate Alvin Gross for 22 vacation days from last winter and spring that he could not take vacation days off due to the bad weather, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes, Ehrman – yes Motion carried. The road foreman was authorized to bid on a bush mower at the upcoming Tewksbury auction sale for a reasonable price. Gross reported he did operate the payloader for Commissioner Axt’s auction sale and Axt will be sent a bill based on the number of hours the payloader hour dial shows. The Auditor reported that the ”no-cost” tractor rental survey was completed to participate again with CASE-IH next year for having a tractor to mow the road-side ditches.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Chairman