

County Commission Meeting September 3, 2019

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 12:30 p.m. County Commissioners present were Sandra Felchle and Shannon Dieterle.

Vice-Chairperson Sandra Felchle called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was sent in the mail and it was moved by Commissioner Felchle to correct the Verizon cell phone service be purchased rather than a cell phone in the County Agent 2020 budget telephone line item with a cell phone to be purchased out of the County Agent capital outlay line item and the weed control non-spraying penalty is \$80.00 per day up to a maximum of \$4,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Dieterle. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes Motion carried.

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

Sheriff, fees, \$623.18

The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and approved for the month of August, 2019:

General - \$12,767.33	Highway Dist. - \$11,467.51
Weed Control - \$2,156.00	Civil Defense - \$3,064.00
911 - \$901.55	Wireless 911 - \$1,159.20

The August payroll warrants #71264-71299 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$36,537.52	Highway Dist. - \$24,098.86\
Veteran Service Officer - \$487.16	County Agent fund - \$1,456.00
Weed Control - \$10,102.79	Civil Defense - \$650.00
Emergency Manager - \$625.00	BCI - \$3,500.00
Veterans Van Service - \$2,914.00	

The following bills #71311-71363 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Josh Baker,60.00, Shannon Scheurer, 250.00;Sellmark Corp.,382.75;Relentless LLC, 150.00;Summer Blumhagen,7.67; Ameripride Services Inc.,130.03; Bentz Supply Store, 340.85; WRT,867.50;Fireside Office Solutions,5.65;Office Depot,98.17;Lingo Communications, 6.71; BHG Inc.,687.65; ITD,580.45; US Postal Service,120.00;Kim Saueressig,5,482.00; Lawson Products,309.35; McLean Sheridan Rur. Water,186.41; The Herald Press,74.55; Mechanics Plus,51.59;First District Health Unit,8,507.75;Nicole Wardner,509.66; Verizon, 80.17; NRG,199.93; American Insurance Inc.,1,118.00;James Paulus,158.01; NDTC,8.24; Ottertail,827.92;A & G Trucking,28,698.00; Steins Inc.,77.20;Wex Bank,290.68; Menards, 110.51;Third Watch Comm.,946.40;Visa,1,079.34;McClusky City,84.50;Holen's Super Valu, 14.98; WM Of WI-MN,755.14;Radisson Hotel,338.40;Matthew Bender & Co Inc., 20.04; Verizon Wireless,414.78; Mayola Holen,108.00; Lynnette Fox, 606.54;Ladd Erickson,81.20,

Pharm Chem, Inc.,114.20; Kotaco Fuel & Propane,1,774.38;Purchase Power,1,037.09; Crack Magic Windshield Repair, 40.00;Eric's Electric,54,520.00;NDSU Extension Service,6,762.89

The following transfer of funds were paid:

\$2,025.00 Harris Rd to Secondary Road for crushing gravel; \$2,400.00 Johns Lake Rd to Secondary Road for crushing gravel; \$4,651.5 Mertz Rd to General fund for rock picking; \$45.00 Mertz Rd. to Secondary Road for hauling gravel; \$7,687.50 Mt. City Rd to Secondary Rd for crushing gravel.; \$1,312.50 Pickard Rd. to Secondary Road for crushing gravel; \$2,400.00 Whittaker Rd. to Secondary Road for crushing gravel

The time being 1:00 p.m. the County Commission meeting recessed for the County Park Board meeting. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

The time being 1:30 p.m. County Commissioner Michael Axt joined the meeting.

Scott Stroh, landowner, met with the board to request approval on planting trees for a wind break between section line 36 McClusky twp. and section line 31 Lamont twp. Chairman Axt stated being there is no road involved the County approves.

Steve Reiser, Director, Dakota Central Social Service, met with the board to explain the new Human Service Zoning plan that all counties are setting up directed by 2019 legislature. Reiser presented the Human Service Zone agreement that states McLean, Sheridan, Mercer, and Oliver Counties will be in a zone. The host county will be McLean County. There will be no more than 15 members on the Human Service zone board and will be called Dakota Central Social Services Zone as was since 2007. County Commissioners and other public officials are encouraged to be members, ex. legislators in counties involved, city mayors, etc. Reiser will be the interim Human Service Zone Director and will apply for the full time position. It was moved by Commissioner Dieterle to approve the presented Human Service Zone Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote – Dieterle – yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Being the used pickup bid letting was held last month and no bids were received, it was moved by Commissioner Dieterle to approve the offer of \$206.00 from Alvin Gross for the 2001 Chevy ½ ton 2 wheel drive extended cab pickup, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote – Dieterle – yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

At this time Eric Blumhagen, Eric's Electric, met with the board to present a partial bill for the installation of storage heaters in the courthouse has been 75% completed.

The auditor presented a letter of resignation from Byron (Joey) J. Belile, as Courthouse custodian effective September 18, 2019. It was moved by Commissioner Dieterle, seconded by Commissioner Felchle to approve Belile's resignation as of September 18, 2019. Discussion was held. After consideration, Dieterle moved to withdraw his motion, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote - Dieterle-yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes It was moved by Commissioner Dieterle to approve the letter of resignation for Byron (Joey) J. Belile effective

immediately, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote – Dieterle – yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried. An ad will be placed in the local paper with continued budgeted salary for 28 hr. week. Deadline for closing of applications will be on Friday, September 27th at 4:00 p.m. with review of applications at the October meeting and interviews scheduled later.

Lee Wahl, County shop assistant, met with the board as sent by Road Foreman, Alvin Gross, to inquire about the County shop Ford pickup. The front end of the County shop Ford pickup is needing work on it. The board suggested to get it in to Country Auto clinic. Wahl also reported that the shop addition is starting to be worked on this week.

Trent Naser, Sheriff, met with the board to discuss the McClusky City policing agreement for the next year. Naser recommended the city policing agreement date should be changed to start July 1st of each year rather than January 1st for budgeting purposes and implement a penalty rate if agreement or payment is not received. Naser will present recommendation to McClusky City at their next meeting. Encroaching on a farm to market road right of way north of Goodrich was investigated and will be addressed by the States Attorney. Naser reported the new deputy Sheriff's 2019 Ford Pickup was delivered.

A conference call with Ladd Erickson, States Attorney, reported on the civil forfeiture process that a separate account be set up when items are forfeited from court ordered cases and the State will be auditing accounts. The Sheriff's office will need to request payment of funds from the County Commission from the civil forfeiture account which is being done already. Also City policing agreement arrangements were discussed. Vacation days left for two elected officials prior to being appointed to office were discussed and should be paid out. Purchasing the McLean County Sheriff's vehicle was discussed as a backup unit to have on hand. After further discussion, the board decided to wait and keep existing roll out of Sheriff's vehicle for a back-up vehicle in 2 years rather than selling it.

It was moved by Commissioner Dieterle to approve a MOU with ND Game & Fish to construct public access and parking lot to Peerboom Lake (Goose Lake) in Sperry Twp. at no cost to the County, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote – Dieterle – yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Chairman Axt instructed Commissioner Felchle to reply to the McClusky City Council that another one inch fill needs to be placed on the farm to market road before this winter that goes thru McClusky City where the water project is located and the chip seal (overlay) to be completed no later than end of June, 2020.

Rita Bertsch was contacted by conference call to inquire if interested in interim custodian position at the Courthouse until position is fulfilled. It was moved by Commissioner Dieterle to hire Rita Bertsch effective immediately as interim custodian at \$13.50 per hr, seconded by Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote –Dieterle – yes, Felchle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor was instructed to get estimates from vendors for video surveillance and keyless security system for the next meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Felchle to approve that the Chairman sign the Energy Conservation Program Grant agreement with the ND Dept. of Commerce to receive up to \$100,000.00 for the Courthouse heating project, seconded by Commissioner Dieterle. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Dieterle – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

The Auditor reported a building permit was issued to Mark Fliginger on Lots 14-24, Block 11 for a new residential structure of a 40'x 42' house with attached garage 50'x34'.5".

The Auditor was instructed to publish a notice to cut all weeds and grasses along the shoulder right of way on township roads by October 1, 2019 or the County will cut the weeds and grasses and assess a \$125.00 per mile charge against the landowner.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman