

County Commission Minutes May 2, 2006

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

Chairman Ehrman called the meeting to order. The minutes were read and approved

The following Statements of Fees were approved and submitted to their appropriate funds for April, 2006:

County Recorder, Fees, \$1,445.00  
Clerk of District Court, Fees, \$615.00  
Sheriff, Fees, \$248.48

The total Miscellaneous Receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of April 2006:

General - \$ 38,786.30	Social
Welfare - \$ 935.82	
Unorganized Rd. Dist. - \$ 11,106.58	County Road -
\$ 14,810.40	
Highway Dist. - \$15,084.71	S.S. & OASIS
- \$1,075.63	
County Extension - \$27.23	Weed Control
- \$1.12	
911 - \$868.30	Wireless 911
- \$558.56	

The April Payroll warrants #29414-29451 were approved from the following funds:

General Fund - \$23,217.20	Service
Officer - \$241.66	
County Agent - \$1,334.33	Civil Defense
- \$400.00	
911 - \$387.50	Highway Dist.
- \$11,322.49	
County Park - \$85.00	Social Welfare
- \$7,291.50	

The following bills #29473-29532 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Linen & Apparel Srv,41.55;Bentz Supply Store,97.70; Walter M. Lipp,71.44;Howard Erdmann,101.84;West River Telecommunications 659.03;Co-Op Elevator,2,717.50;N.D. Association Of Counties,607.84;City Of Mcclusky,30.50;Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender Co.,261.00;Sylvia Schell, 6.79;Waste Management Of ND,39.12;South Central Crime Conference,15.00; Tracy Laib,49.40;Maximus, Inc,25.00;N.D. State Radio Communication, 1,058.40;Eldon Ehrman,70.68;Dakota Fire Extinguishers,270.00;Fireside Office Plus,474.00;Office Depot,102.60;Cenex Credit Card,246.50;Birch Telecom,76.46;BHG, Inc.,369.33;Information Technolgy Dept.,375.00;MEC Services Inc;133.90;Shirley J Jorgensen,90.06;Mcclusky Postmaster, 39.00;C-Store,9.39;D&J Oil, Inc.,2,514.44;Konschak Oil Inc.,5,220.72; Mclean-Sheridan Rur Water,51.78;NAPA Auto Parts,19.76;Power Plan, 401.70;Alltel,216.60;Minn. Prevention Resource Cnt.,30.00;423-Praxair Dist. Inc,79.38;Western Lighting Technology,25.00;Extension Youth & Family,25.00;Crystal Schaunaman,272.08;Diane Fylling,167.20;NDSU Extension Pesticide Progr,840.00;Pizza Corner Pizza,85.50;Joyce Martwick,25.00;Sheila Faul,25.00;Janet Wagner,36.25;Inventory Trading Co,103.25;One Source Lighting,Inc.,27.00;Leo's Transmission,1,724.30; Great Plains Rehab Services.,140.00;Guardian Lock & Safety, Inc., 145.58;Marshall & Swift,370.95;Chemsearch,442.27;Wayne Houston,186.20; NDTC,17.96;SRT Communications, Inc.,12.88;Holen Construction,2,000.00; Menards,94.50;Paul E. Stober,198.90;

The following transfer was approved:

\$80.00, Unorganized Rd. Districts to County Road,  
Installing signs

Crystal Schaunaman, County Agent, met with the board to present her monthly narrative report for April. The hog farrowing meeting was attended well and good discussion came out of it. The Communication Arts contest was held in Goodrich and the District Communication Arts contest will be held May 31<sup>st</sup> in Sheridan County. The 4-H Council received estimates on constructing the 4-H Livestock Arena building and the lowest bid went to Schuh Const. They will construct the pony wall the first or second week in May with the rest of building constructed by volunteers in June. The agricultural students from Mr. Zimprich's class

will be doing volunteer work at the livestock arena area also. Schaunaman attended a 4-H Youth Development Conference in Bismarck. Schaunaman has been planning a program called "Annie's Project" providing grant monies are approved. "Annie's Project" is a series of educational classes on farm business management that is more designed for farm women. These classes would be held at the McClusky School utilizing the IVAN satellite system and would be scheduled January through March in 2007. SCIPY sponsored the Jose Cole Circus at the McClusky High School and was well attended. Schaunaman inquired about using the older Sheriff's vehicle that is not being used currently for her to drive to meetings and to farmers around the County. This will be investigated and discussed further with the Sheriff's office.

Tyler Lamp, RDO Equipment representative, met with the board to discuss any motorgrader issues and the fuel increase issues.

The time being 11:00 a.m. the County Commission recessed for the County Park Board meeting. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

At this time Greg O' Shea, Butler Machinery, met with the board to discuss motorgrader lease options for the upcoming 2001 Caterpillar lease that is up in January 2007. The new lease payments for a 2006 143H Motor Grader would be lowered to \$19,858.94 rather than \$20,000.00 per year for 5 years. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to authorize the Chairman to sign the lease for a new 2006 Caterpillar Motorgrader at \$19,858.94 with full warranty and payments starting January 2007, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Joyce H. Dockter, County Recorder, met with the board to request to attend the Clerk of Court Convention May 10-12<sup>th</sup> in Dickinson. The board authorized approval to attend the Clerk of Court's Convention.

Contacts were made by speakerphone to US Fish & Wildlife for permitting gravel to be crushed on any of their properties. No action was taken.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the

resignation of Faye Axt effective immediately and that she purchase the Bersa 380 gun, clip, holster, pepper spray holder, and double mag pouch in the amount of \$383.58, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Applications for abatement and settlement of taxes filed by Lester Buenning for the residential structure located on Outlot 1 of NE4NW4 7-149-74 and Heather Mayer (Martinovich) for the structure located on a Tract in E2 11-150-74 were reviewed and forwarded to the Director of Tax Equalization and Assessors of those townships for further investigation. Hearings for the Lester Buenning abatement will be held at 10:30 a.m. and Heather Mayer (Martinovich) will be held at 10:00 a.m. on June 6, 2006.

Chairman Ehrman set the County Equalization Meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m. on June 6, 2006 in the Community Room of the Courthouse.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the Gaming Site authorization to conduct games of chance at the Union Grill & Bar effective July 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2007, seconded by Commissioner Erdman. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The 2005 Financial Statement of the County Rural Water Board was reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the 2005 County Rural Water Board Financial Statement with an ending balance of \$118,307.84, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. Upon roll call vote - Erdmann - yes, Jorgensen - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The Auditor presented the Certificate of Dissolution from Goodrich Township. It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to accept the Dissolution of Goodrich Twp effective January 1, 2007 according to the NDCC, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the Joint Elections agreement with the McClusky School, McClusky City, Goodrich School, Goodrich City, and Martin

City to coordinate the holding of their general election along with the County's Primary Election for 2006 and to share the election costs, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Contacts were made to Zircon Const. to find out when they will be in the County to crush gravel. Gordon Schoonover stated he would be in Sheridan County next week to crush gravel.

Alvin Gross, Road Foreman, met with the board to discuss blading and road issues.

At this time Chairman Ehrman was dismissed from the meeting due to other conflicts.

The culvert bids were reviewed and approved from Johnston Fargo Culvert, Inc. for the 2006 year. The culvert prices increased by \$1.34 per ft. for 12" culvert.

The Auditor was instructed to draft letters to be sent to the Congressional representatives from North Dakota in regards to the fuel increase issues that all Counties and political subdivision in North Dakota and throughout the U.S. that will not be able to afford to keep operating and maintaining the local roads any longer.

Larry Gessner, Sheriff, met with the board to report that Delbert Hoffman has been rehired as Deputy Sheriff with effective hire date as of May 8, 2006. The spare police vehicle was discussed further to be used as a County employee vehicle for County employees to attend meetings and for the extension office to make farm calls with. The Commission instructed Gessner that the lights and emblems be taken off the spare Sheriff vehicle before it can used for a County employee vehicle. A schedule for County employees to use the County employee vehicle will need to be organized.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Commission Meeting May 19, 2006

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met in special session at 1:00 p.m. on call of the Chairman. County Commissioners present were Eldon Ehrman, Howard Erdmann, and Shirley J, Jorgensen

Chairman Ehrman called the meeting to order.

The time being 1:00 p.m. the Housing Authority Board met in conjunction with the County Commissioners. Housing Authority Board members present were Arthur Waltz, Walter Filler, and Thomas Sauter. Absent: LaDora Schuessler and Armin Erdmann were absent.

Chairman Sauter of the Housing Authority Board called the meeting to order.

The minutes from the previous meeting was read and approved.

Marsha Schneider, Wells-Sheridan County Housing Authority Executive Director presented the 2005 Annual report over the speakerphone as follows:

The Checkbook balance as of 12-31-05 is at \$6,630.22 and the savings balance as of 12-31-05 is at \$1,281.69. A total of \$55,589.00 was paid out in housing assistance in 2005. All of the 25 vouchers were used for 2005. Sheridan County received 4 out of the 25 vouchers with the remainder to Wells County.

The fair market rent limits for a one-bedroom unit is 399.00, two-bedroom 496.00, three-bedroom 698.00. In the Voucher program, the subsidy is the difference between 30% of the family's adjusted income and the applicable payment standard. The income limits vary from 1 person family size at \$10,350 to 5 person family size at \$26,550.

There is a waiting list of 15 households that are all from Wells County for housing assistance needed. The order of priority is elderly/disabled, victims of domestic violence, single adult households with children, two adult households with children, and single adults/others. The fair market rents went up minimally this past year.

It was moved by Art Waltz to approve the 2005 Wells-Sheridan County Housing Authority report from Marcia

Schneider, seconded by Walter Filler. Upon roll call vote - Waltz - yes, Filler - yes, Sauter - yes. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Filler inquired why there is not that many in Sheridan County that apply for the HUD Housing assistance program. Other board members stated that possibly not many rental homes are available to rent in Sheridan County and that McClusky and Goodrich both have the low-income program apartments that have vacancies often.

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

It was moved by Waltz to adjourn the Housing Authority meeting, seconded by Filler. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Jorgensen to approve the Chief Deputy Sheriff monthly salary to \$2,000.00 and the Deputy Sheriff annual salary to \$1,950.00 effective for May salary due to Deputy Sheriff Delbert Hoffman's prior experience in the Sheriff's Office, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Jorgensen - yes, Erdmann - yes, Ehrman - yes. All voting "yes" the motion carried.

Tarring wages were discussed and they were left at \$8.00 per hr. for 2006.

Commissioner Erdman reported that Zircon Constr., Bismarck, will be here on Monday to start crushing gravel in Sheridan County.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman