

County Commissioners Meeting July 1, 2014

The Board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 9:00 A.M. County Commissioners present were Michael Axt, Eldon Ehrman, and Howard F. Erdmann.

Chairman Axt called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meetings were sent out in the mail to board members and approved as sent.

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

County Recorder, fees, \$1,223.00
Sheriff, fees, \$269.00

The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and were approved for the month of June, 2014:

General - \$81,082.77	County Road - \$1,156.21
Highway Dist. - \$19,473.63	County Park - \$2,963.88
911 - \$741.95	Wireless 911 - \$776.15

The June payroll warrants #63083-63113 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$29,251.06	Highway Dist. - \$15,299.42
County Park - \$2,202.95	Service Officer - \$408.33
County Agent - \$778.37	Weed Control - \$324.00
Civil Defense - \$563.41	911 - \$548.28
County Corrections - \$2,333.33	Policing - \$362.50

The following bills #63126-63187 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Services Inc.,49.36;Bentz Supply Store,173.86;Walter M. Lipp,150.00; McClusky Gazette,77.50;N.D. Newspaper Association, 65.32;Howard Erdmann, 87.78; WRT, 8.00; Co-Op Elevator,161.18; N.D. Association Of Counties, 802.69; Tracy Stein,45.00; Eldon Ehrman, 168.72;Janice D. Erdmann,305.00; Office Depot,372.82;Birch Communications, Inc., 120.75; BHG, Inc.,1,536.94;Information Technology Dept.,414.05; Above And Beyond Plumbing, 126.00;D&J Oil, Inc.,4,295.20;Pete's Tractor Salvage, Inc.,120.00; Newman Traffic Signs, 152.40; NDSU,49.00; JDM Schmitt Concrete, 24,780.00; Super Circuits, 1,961.44; S&S Transmission,315.73;Marshall Feland,150.00; Mechanics Plus,75.15; Dakota Central Social Services, 14,569.86; NRG,1,885.17;NDAAO,180.00; James Paulus,156.30; TSC,19.99; NDTC, 31.86; SRT Communications, Inc.,17.08; A&G Trucking,40,805.00; Michael Axt, 201.21; Severin, Ringsak & Morrow,6.00;Stein's Inc.,156.84;Menards,204.33;Frey Insurance Agency, 7,354.00; Visa,695.28; McClusky City,36.50; ES&S,3,713.06;Digital Ally. Inc.,60.00;Holen's Super Valu,90.72; WM Of WI-MN,498.59; Matthew Bender & Co Inc.,128.73; Verizon Wireless,237.43; Orrin Holen,94.00;Taser International,2,075.23;Don Ebach,175.00;McLean Family Resource Center,239.50;Sarah Crimmins,171.62; Strata Corporation, 48,300.00; Chris Becker,238.00; Darci Gahner,200.00;Dan Klemisch,25.00; Wesley Stein,109.02; Tammy Stein-Dockter,135.00

Sheriff, Trent Naser, met with the board to report the new 2014 Sheriff's Expedition has arrived and the emblems have been placed on it already. The old Sheriff's 2009 Ford Expedition has been retired with the graphics and equipment taken off and ready to sell. Naser suggested setting a minimum price on the 2009 Ford Expedition in the bid advertisement. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to have bid opening set for August 5, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. with minimum bid starting at \$8,000.00 and bids can be raised at time of bid letting, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes. Motion carried.

Wesley Helm met with the board to discuss graveling on the Johns Lake twp roads. Axt has talked to A&G Trucking to schedule graveling in Johns Lake Rd. District as weather allows.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to accept Gerald Bertsch's resignation and pay out his unused comp hours with the July payroll, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes. Motion carried.

The time being 10:00 a.m. the water board members, LeRoy Becker, Thomas Sauter, and Kevin Vietz met with the board to inform the board on a drainage issue that has been filed with them. Sauter reported a complaint of draining was filed by land owner Roger Strobel against Kenny Rauser in Mertz unorganized road district. The water board investigated at NRCS for drainage allowance. NRCS states the area is a legal drainage being prior to 1985 USDA programs. The board suggested receiving a written opinion from NRCS for documentation.

John Volochenko, land owner, met with the board to discuss Ron Novak moving his fence off the section line. Sheriff, Trent Naser, reported that moving the fence line off the section line has been done, however; not all the way back to the rock pile as agreed. A letter will be sent from the County to Ron Novak if fence is not moved all the way back to rock pile asap than the County will hire it done and assess costs to Novak's taxes.

Naser reported their copier/printer is not working any longer in his office and he presented a lease proposal from Advanced Business Methods, Bismarck. It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to lease a Savin all in one printer, copier, scan, & fax in the amount of \$114.00 per mth. from Advanced Business Methods that includes hardware, accessories w/toner and drum, etc., and service agreement for 5 year lease, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Rodney Lindsey, McClusky, was interviewed for the road crew operator position at this time.

Brandon Vieleux, Turtle Lake, was interviewed for the road crew operator position at this time.

Janice Erdmann, Treasurer, met with the board to present the County pledge of assets report. It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the pledge of assets report as filed in the County Auditor's office, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann – yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Gerald Bertsch, met with the board to inquire about his comp hours not being paid out and presented a letter of explaining why he resigned. The board reported that his comp hours were approved to be paid out earlier in the meeting.

Herb Bargman, Wold Engineering, was contacted by speakerphone to inquire about Holen gravel pit specs for south McClusky farm to market road and farm to market roads under water.

Walt Fairbanks, Bureau of Reclamation, was contacted by speakerphone to inquire about checking with the Bureau to do the seeding and reclaiming of the Bureau pit in Berlin Twp. now that the gravel is gone in the pit and bill the County for reclaiming costs. Fairbanks will investigate further and get back to Commissioner Ehrman.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the County Vehicle Ins Policy with Frey Insurance Agency, Inc., seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to approve the gravel royalty contract with Orrin A. Holen at a \$1.00 per yd for on the NE4 12-146-76, seconded by Commissioner Ehrman. Upon roll call vote – Erdmann - yes, Ehrman – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

Eldon Ehrman reported a no-bid tractor will be received from High Plains IH, out of Harvey/Devils Lake at no cost to do the County right of way mowing.

The Auditor was instructed to publish the 1st cut weed mowing notice by July 15th with the road crew to start mowing twp. roads after August 1st.

The Auditor reported that the County acquired an 81/2ft x 101/2ft insulated storage building from Midcontinent Communications on the courthouse grounds. A utility door will need to be installed in order to park the County riding lawn mower and a cement apron in order to drive riding lawn mower into the building. The auditor was instructed to contact a contractor on door options and installation.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the twp. road mileage report as filed in the Auditor's office, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

The monthly County Agent report was reviewed with the 4-H/Open Horse Show rescheduled to July 9th weather permitting, 4-H Achievement day is July 14th at Hoffers Lake Recreation Area, upcoming SCIPY activities, Tedford Breeding Project, and reports of Blue-Green Algae in Sheridan County that is toxic to livestock that has caused 2 deaths so far.

Byron Fuchs, NDDOT, called by speakerphone to inquire about a twp road/section line in Edgemont twp. between sections 16 and 21 that Lamoyne Vossler reported is not being maintained and that he needs to get on his property. The County Board stated Edgemont Twp. is an organized twp. and the road foreman stated the road has been under water for a couple of years now. Contacts will be made to Edgemont twp supervisors to discuss the road issue further.

The time being 3:30 p.m. the road crew employees met with the board as per board requested to review the new payroll hourly rates effective July 1st. The work week will be a 40 hour week rather than a 45 hour salary week with up to 5 hours overtime paid out per week after 40 hours are worked. No more comp time. The accumulated comp time on file in the auditor's office will need to be used up asap. No use of phone while driving equipment and communication issues were discussed. The board stated if the County policy is not followed, employees will be put on probation and receive lower per hour rate.

The estimates for insulating the Martin County Shop ceiling and walls were as following:

Lautt's, Harvey, - \$11,034.00
Mercer Foam, Mercer, - \$8,300.00

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to approve the lowest bid of \$8,300.00 from Mercer Foam with a deadline to complete by September 1st, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote - Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried. The Auditor was instructed to contact Mercer Foam to make sure the bid included the ceiling to be insulated.

It was moved by Commissioner Ehrman to re-hire Rodney Lindsey, McClusky, effective immediately at \$12.50 per hr during probation period and if not accepted than Ehrman can negotiate per hr. rate, seconded by Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote- Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Axt – yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Auditor

Chairman

County Park Commissioners Meeting
July 1, 2014

The Board of Sheridan County Park Commissioners met at 11:00 a.m. Park Commissioners present were Arlington Helm, Marlin Engen, Howard Erdmann, Eldon Ehrman, and Michael Axt. Others present: Tracy Stein and Darcy Gahner

Chairman Helm called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved.

Tracy Stein and Darci Gahner reported that the wedding event held last weekend had many issues with the sewer backing up and the roof skylights were leaking in the 4-H building. Gahner requested a refund of \$200.00 for the rent of the 4-H building due to all the building issues they had.

It was moved by Park Commissioner Ehrman to refund Darci Gahner back the \$200.00 rental fee on the 4-H building, seconded by Park Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Ehrman – yes, Erdmann – yes, Engen – yes, Helm – yes, Axt – yes Motion carried.

It was moved by Park Commissioner Axt to refund Tammy Dockter her camping fees for hosting the campground while Arlington Helm was on vacation, seconded by Park Commissioner Erdmann. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Engen – yes, Ehrman – yes, Helm – yes Motion carried.

The leaky skylights in the 4-H bldg were discussed and will be replaced with the same metal siding that is on the building. The Auditor will contact a local contractor to repair skylights with metal siding. The poles on the east side of the 4-H building are lifting out of the ground from possibly water pressure underground and also the poles in the shelter near the 4-H building are lifting out the same way. The Auditor was instructed to report an insurance claim into ND Fire & Tornado Fund to hire someone to look at resolving the situation.

The following bills were approved:

\$45.00, Tracy Stein, mowing; \$200.00, Darci Gahner, refund on 4-H bldg. rent, \$135.00, Tammy Dockter, refund on camping fees; \$437.03, Waste Management, Service for June; \$72.68, Bentz Supply Store, Supplies; \$126.00, Above & Beyond, Service call; \$120.00, Pete's Tractor Supply, Tire rims for fire rings; \$19.99, TSC, Lawn mower belt; \$31.61, Holen's Super Valu, Supplies

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Chairman