

County Commission Meeting September 1, 2015

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

Chairman Erdmann called the meeting to order. The minutes were sent out to board members for review and approved as sent.

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

County Recorder, fees, \$1,318.00  
Sheriff, fees, \$344.00

The miscellaneous receipts were collected for the following funds and approved for the month of August, 2015:

General - \$5,365.78	Unorganized Rd. Dist - \$10,521.68
Secondary Road - \$3,230.00	Highway Tax - \$12,780.10
County Park - \$1,445.00	Weed Control - \$4,271.10
911 - \$1,605.50	

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

The August payroll warrants # 64985-65018 were approved from the following funds:

General - \$26,797.04	Highway Dist - \$17,781.25
County Park - \$557.50	Veteran Service - \$428.75
County Agent - \$817.29	Weed Control - \$6,100.95
Civil Defense - \$591.58	911 - \$575.69
County Corrections - \$2,887.50	BCI - \$3,120.00

The following bills #65031-65100 were approved and ordered paid subject due to delinquent or any other indebtedness owing the County:

Ameripride Services Inc.,50.27;Bentz Supply Store,198.34; Howard Erdmann,160.66; WRT, 945.64; CO-OP Elevator,4,982.12; Secretary Of State,8.00;Cynthia D. Wahl,296.96; Fireside Office Products, Inc., 1.79; Office Depot,189.49; Birch Communications, Inc.,117.68; Information Technology Dept., 998.70; Mclean County Sheriff's Office,165.00; C-Store,174.07;Newman Traffic Signs,687.84; Kenschak Oil Inc.,2,686.22; McLean-Sheridan Rur Water,140.16; NAPA Auto Parts,84.99; Power Plan, 104.07;422-Praxair Dist. Inc., 954.00;Marshall Feland,150.00; TASC, 1,100.00; Dept. Of Transportation, 2,007.38; Bertsie's Drive-In, 63.00; The Herald Press,107.10;Mechanics Plus,589.63; First District Health Unit, 6,601.75; Dakota Central Social Services, 13,205.33; Bob's Photo,1,053.98; Steve Eisenbiesz, 332.24; Nicole Wardner,1,142.43; Erin Lauer, 118.08; Electronic Communications, Inc., 70.00; Kathy Davis Memorial Pool,132.00; James Paulus, 271.05; NDPOA,60.00; McClusky Merchants, 370.00; NDTC ,29.24; SRT Communications, Inc.,17.08;A&G Trucking,19,050.00; Michael Axt, 62.06; Ag Comm., 3.00; Wex Bank,208.77; Robert Foley, 90.00;HACTC,260.00; Frey Insurance Agency, 737.00; Visa, 366.14;McClusky City,27.50; Turtle Lake Rexall Drug,9.67; WM Of WI-MN, 499.43, Matthew Bender & Co Inc.,172.16; Verizon Wireless, 336.81; Orrin Holen, 1,050.00;Taser International, 370.00; Ladd Erickson, 165.88; Pharm Chem, Inc., 121.60; Topcon Positioning Systems,299.40;Deere Credit, Inc., 1,575.00;Susag Sand & Gravel, Inc.,32,900.50;Kendon Faul,2,250.00; Maryann Flatlie, 1,620.00; Steve Kensmoe, Jr.,2,250.00; Mitch McLeod, 1,500.00; Charles Netzloff, 675.00; Postmaster, 114.00

Sheriff, Trent Naser, met with the board to report that Chad Weckerly's autopsy investigation cost of \$770.00 will be paid by Damon Tessmann's vehicle insurance so the County is not paying for the autopsy. The tailgate on Sheriff Naser's Ford Expedition was repaired thru Barth Ford warranty except for \$300.00. It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve purchasing a 2016 Ford Expedition at State fleet price of \$29,663.00 thru Nelson Auto Center, Fergus Falls, MN. and to finance the loan thru American Bank Center, McClusky, at 2.9% for four years, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Eisenbeisz – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried. Choice Financial, Goodrich, interest rate was 3.10%. Naser reported on the vehicle radio repairs which may only be just the radio repeater now that is not working and that another vendor stated for \$2,100.00 plus installation costs would be all the costs rather than all new radios for \$24,000.00. Naser requested if his 2015 budget has leftover funding he would like to update the new vehicle counsel with a new printer to place the computer equipment in for a quote of \$1,800.00. It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve a new counsel with new printer in the new 2016 Ford Expedition in the estimate of \$1,800.00, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried. Naser reported on the prisoner escapee from the courthouse last week. The bathroom screen

needs to be repaired at the escapee cost. An estimate will be received for the bathroom screen to file for restitution costs with the escapee. Naser also reported overloaded semis are being reported with the harvest season and fines applied.

The time being 11:00 a.m. the County Park board meeting was held. The County Commission meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

The Auditor was instructed to advertise the 2<sup>nd</sup> weed cutting notice to have weeds cut along the road right of ways by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and to remove hay bales along the road right of ways by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

The Auditor presented estimates of removing two trees on the Courthouse grounds due to the trees have Dutch Elm disease. Estimates were received from the following:

Tom Rupp, Underwood, \$2,000.00 includes removal of trees and stump removal.  
Gerald B. Hoglund, McClusky, \$1,000.00 without stump removal.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve Tom Rupp bid of \$2,000.00 to remove two trees, stump removal and clean up, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

Quotes for leasing a new color copier machine including toner cartridges, drum and preventative maintenance were received from the following:

Advanced Business Methods, Bismarck, \$175.50 per mth.  
Fireside Office Solutions, Bismarck, \$176.17 per mth.  
Marco, Bismarck, \$187.00 per mth.

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve the Advanced Business Methods quote in the amount of \$175.50 per mth. to be billed semi-annually for a color copier machine, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried. The old 2002 black & white Mita copier will be placed on the third floor for depts. to use until economically not feasible to use anymore.

The Auditor reported a building permit was issued to Scott and Diane Holen for on Outlot A of NE4 13-146-76 for moving a 30'x 40' structure onto a 30'x 40' basement.

It was moved by Commissioner Erdmann to appoint Steve Eisenbeisz as the NDACo delegate, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes Motion carried

It was moved by Commissioner Axt to approve that the County pay for the County Employees to get their flu immunization thru First District Health at \$35.00 for an injection or \$50.00 for flu mist, seconded by Commissioner Eisenbeisz. Upon roll call vote – Axt – yes, Eisenbeisz – yes, Erdmann – yes Motion carried.

The time being 3:00 p.m. the County Commission recessed to check on a section line road to a cemetery in Lamont Twp. until 6:00 p.m. for the County Budget hearing.

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Auditor

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Chairman

### County Budget Hearing – September 1, 2015

The County Budget Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. as per notice. County Commissioners present were Michael Axt, Steven Eisenbeisz, and Howard Erdmann. Others present: Byron Zingg

Chairman Erdmann called the hearing to order.

The County Auditor reported a 9.13% increase in the 2016 taxes for operating the County as per County budget. One mill is estimated to generate \$12,584.25 with utility valuations included. An estimated increase of taxes on 160 acres would be \$53.34 valued at 65,408 for true and full value or \$408.80 average value per acre.

The County Auditor reviewed the County Budget account line items and levies explaining that 7 of the 19 accounts will now be combined into the County General Fund with a maximum of 60 mills allowed to levy which was approved by the last legislative session with the Governors tax reform bill. Byron Zingg stated he was not in favor of the 9.13 % increase. The Commission stated that hopefully in the next legislative session the Human Services cost will be paid by the State of N.D. then that will be a great reduction in property taxes. The Auditor also stated that there still is the 12% credit that comes off the tax statement that the state legislature approved again for the next two years that is reimbursed back to the County and other entities to fulfill their budgets.

It was moved by Commissioner Eisenbeisz to approve the following Resolution setting the amount budgeted and making tax levies for the ensuing year for County purposes was adopted, seconded by Commissioner Axt. Upon roll call vote – Eisenbeisz – yes, Axt – yes, Erdmann – yes The resolution was declared adopted.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the board of Sheridan County Commissioners has estimated and determined the expense for Sheridan County for 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following amounts be budgeted and levied on all taxable property in Sheridan County, budget for 2016 is as follows, all levies being subject to legal limitations:

FUND	AMOUNT BUDGETED	AMOUNT LEVIED Add Interim Fund & Deduct Estimated Revenues
General Fund	1,336,273.90	627,104.98
Human Services	221,791.60	220,916.60
Emergency (1.00 Mill)	120,000.00	14,855.00
Service Officer	11,899.00	11,834.00
Farm to Market (12.00 Mills)	200,000.00	179,250.00
Unorganized Road Districts	325,000.00	146,450.00
County Agent	53,002.00	48,102.00
Highway Tax Distribution (No Levy)	264,000.00	-0-
Health District	28,543.00	28,403.00
Grasshopper	601.14	-0-
Weed Control (3 Mills)	87,100.00	40,054.22
 <u>Other Levies</u>		
Soil Conservation District	21,644.90	21,644.90
HCRP (No Levy)	2,000.00	-0-
Emergency/911 (No Levy)	21,145.52	21,145.52
Senior Citizen (1 Mill)	18,000.00	13,950.00
Water Resource (1/2 Mill)	8,733.00	8,733.00
Historical Society (.25 Mill)	3,947.00	3,947.00
Garrison Diversion (1.00 Mill)	14,000.00	14,000.00

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2015.

ATTEST:

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Auditor

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Chairman, County Commission

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County Commissioner

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County Commissioner

County Park Commission Meeting  
September 1, 2015

The Board of County Park Commissioners met at 11:00 a.m. Park Commissioners present were Arlington Helm, Marlin P. Engen, Michael Axt, Steven Eisenbeisz, and Howard Erdmann.

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

Park Commissioner Axt reported he has not heard back from Scott Hettinger with the Bureau on installing a culvert and establishing a beach area at Hoffer's Lake.

The Auditor reported that the County liability insurance company was contacted to inquire what costs would be for adding playground equipment at Hoffers Lake Recreation area. Insurance agent, Judy Larson, stated that playground equipment is automatically included in the policy already and by adding a public beach area the cost will be an additionally \$605.00 per yr.

The Auditor also reported that contacts were made to Steel Sioux Company, SD, where the hoop barn was manufactured, to inquire about any warranty left on the building to get repairs done or at least get an estimate to turn into County property insurance being the damaged occurred from the wind storm in late July. Randy, from Steel Sioux Co. reported back stated the warranty is only if a defect in the material. Prices of new material were reviewed, however; no labor amounts were known. More information will be gathered on who can repair tears in order for labor costs to be considered for county insurance policy to be more accurate on the claim.

Rhoads Home Improvements sent in an estimate of \$3,200.00 to shingle the gazebo at the Hoffer Lake Recreation Area. The board rejected the estimate and stated the roof will be patched.

The following bills were paid as follows:

McLean-Sheridan Rural Water, 87.01; Waste Management of WI-MN, 439.86; Bentz Supply Store, \$36.03; Office Depot, \$7.28; C-Store, 50.44; Orrin A. Holen, \$90.00

The being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary

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Chairman