The Sargent County Board of Commissioners met on August 19, 2025, at 9 a.m. at the Sargent County Courthouse. Those in attendance were Commissioners Jerry Waswick, Lyle Bopp, Jason Arth and Chairman, Wade Anderson. Absent was Scott Johnson. Also, in attendance were Tia Bopp, Auditor; and Jayne Pfau, State's Attorney.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A recess was called for ten minutes with the same reconvening at 9:17 a.m.

Motion to approve agenda with amendments. (Bopp/Arth). Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes from the August 5<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and the August 5<sup>th</sup> special meeting. (Arth/Bopp). Motion carried.

Custodian Weaving was not able to find anything online showing the individual who submitted the carpet cleaning quote was insured or bonded.

Jayne Pfau, State's Attorney, has hired Vanessa Bayger to replace Margie Johnson. A request was made to allow Vanessa Bayger to retain her years of previous service to the county. Motion to approve Bayger's years of service starting her at a B24/5. (Waswick/Arth). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

There is a grievance from a park employee that is now at the hearing phase. Duane Peterson, Human Resource Director, arrived at the meeting at 9:23. Copies of the grievance were distributed to the Commissioners. The grievance hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. during the next commission meeting on September 2, 2025. Peterson will provide the parties with the notice of the hearing and what their rights are.

Damon DeVillers, Interstate Engineering, and Tim Faber, Road Supervisor, arrived at the meeting at 9:50 a.m. Duane Peterson, Human Resource Director, left the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

The culvert policy will be ready at the next meeting.

Damon provided the bridge list that he received from the NDDOT. Damon and the Commissioners reviewed the list and the recommendations made by Damon. Motion to approve the bridge priority list as provided by Damon. (Bopp/Arth). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Damon will submit the list to the NDDOT yet today.

Next order of business to be discussed was the flex funding projects. Again, Damon has provided a list of projects with estimates and proposed cost share scenarios for the Commission to consider. Traffic counts will be added to the map with the projects outlined and the same will be discussed in further detail at the September 2, 2025, commission meeting so the applications can be submitted prior to the deadline. Damon also suggested talking with neighboring counties to see if they are doing any projects that would involve the same road in both counties as those will be given priority.

Interstate Engineering has been reviewing minor structures in the county and has determined that 18 of those now meet criteria of the federal standards which means they will be inspected by the DOT. Damon indicated their firm will continue to review the remaining minor structures to see if additional structures meet the criteria.

The mastic contractor will be in Sargent County after the 1<sup>st</sup> of September to work on county road 10 from county road 7 to county road 3.

Sheriff Paeper arrived at the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Motion to approve the Application for Drainage Work Within the County Road Right of Way submitted by Terry Erickson and Logan Erickson. (Arth/Waswick). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Application for Drainage Work Within the County Road Right of Way submitted by Jon Anderson. (Arth/Waswick). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Application for Drainage Work Within the County Road Right of Way submitted by David Rasmusson. (Waswick/Arth). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the Application for Drainage Work Within the County Road Right of Way submitted by Allen Nickenson. (Waswick/Arth). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Tim Faber, Road Supervisor, inquired with the board about putting up a pile in the pit owned by Dusty Mund. Tim will get the proposal written up for the next meeting.

Damon DeVillers and Tim Faber left the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Sheriff Paeper was in attendance to talk about the Axon contract. He has concerns with waiting until October as the new pricing may be in and the contract price would then increase. He set forth his proposal on how this would be paid going forward. He will put his proposal in writing and bring back at the next commission meeting.

Motion to pay the August payroll in the amount of \$322,281.57 and the bills as presented. (Bopp/Arth) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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89099	Computer Express	Support	1,500.00
89100	Dakota Plains Ag	Sheriff Travel	505.74
89101	Dakota Water Solutions	CH/Road 5 Gallon Water Jugs	144.00
89102	Dickey Rural Networks	Telephone Services	982.98
89103	Forman Lumber & Fireworks	CH Maintenance	50.24
89104	Gall's	Sheriff Equipment	50.96
89105	Gast Construction	CH Parking Lot Project	32,463.47
89106	Gordy's Grill & Fill	Sheriff Car Wash	20.00
89107	Hayen, LaJuana	Tax Travel Reimbursement	122.00
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89108	Innovative Office Solutions	Supplies	1,225.81
89109	Loffler Ming Veta Communications	Sheriff Copier Contract Overage	15.56
89110	Minn-Kota Communications Inc	FCC Licen se Renewal	120.00
89111		Smart Zone	50.00
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89112 89113	Otis Elevator Co.	Elevator Maintenance	
		Phone Reimbursement	1,984.44
89114	Peterson, Duane		100.00
89115	PharmChem	Patch Analysis	63.90
89116	Richland County Corrections	PB Medical	3,328.50
89117	Richland County Jail	Prisoner Board	170.00
89118	Rutland Oil Company	Sheriff Gas	772.85
89119	Schilling, Samantha	Tax Travel Reimbursement	122.00
89120	Southside Automotive	Sheriff Squad Car Repair	202.96
89121	The Sargent County Teller	Publishing Fees	808.61
89122	Verizon	Sheriff Mifi Cards	240.06
89123	Vestis	CH/Road Cleaning Services/Supplies	673.85
89124	Wallaceburg Bookbinding Walock-Johnson Insurance	2024 SC Tellers Binding	232.70
89125	Inc.	Policies Added	5,072.00
		Sheriff-Conference/DARE Travel	
89126	Wold, Jon	Reimbursement	284.00
89127	Yagow, Jerilyn	Treasurer-Document Preservation	1,215.00
89128	AW Diesel	#127/Sterling Snow Plow Repairs	2,719.00
89129	Alexandria Gravel Products	CR #3, #10 Gravel	9,046.57
	Bernard Mahrer Construction	CR #5, #3, #12, #13, #10, #14	,
89130	Inc.	Gravel	4,510.51
89131	Bobcat of Gwinner	Bobcat Repair/Window Repair	1,474.61
89132	Braaten, Marshall	CR #10 Culvert Replace	12,500.00
89133	Butler Machinery Co.	Cat 150/140 Contract Hours/Repairs	4,163.53
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89134	General Equipment & Supplies	Rd-Cutting Edges Rd-Bolts/Nuts/Tape/Plier	1,146.75
89135	Hansen Lumber & Hardware	Set/Earplugs	222.32
89136	IBBG Lawncare	Rd Shop Mowing	150.00
		2017 Kenworth T470/2006 Sterling	
89137	Johnson Motor Sales, Inc.	LT9500 Snow Plows	176,000.00
	Lamoure County Highway		
89138	Dept.	Rd-Road Tar	5575.20
89139	Milnor Clinic	DOT Physical	125.00
89140	Morris Trucking	Rd-Gravel Trailer Rental	4,000.00
89141	Napa Lidgerwood	Rd-Battery/Core Deposit	213.99
	Northwest Asphalt &	CR #7, #10, #14 Rubberized Crack	
89142	Maintenance	Seal	150,276.63
89143	Plunkett's Pest Control	Rd-Shop pest Control	144.44
		Rd-Cleaning Solvent/Motor Grader	
89144	RDO Equipment	Repair	1,570.02
89145	Rutland Oil Company	Rd-Gas/Fuel	17,740.50
89146	Southside Automotive	Rd-#103 Tire Repair	51.36
		Rd-#127 Headache Rack/Half	
89147	Tri-State Truck Sales	Fender	1,769.00
89148	TrueNorth Steel	Rd-Shuman Twp Culverts	25,176.00
89149	Western Dakota Energy Ass'n.	Rd-Permit Dues	500.00
89150	Amazon Capital Services	Ext-Office Supplies	7.98
89151	Central Grocery	Ext-Ice	3.59
89152	Forman Drug	Ext-Office Supplies	10.99
	NDSU Extension Service		
89153	Budget Office	Ext-Seykora Salary	7,249.81
89154	Sargent County Treasurer	Ext-Postage	264.70
89155-89162		Ambulance Squads Expenses	999.02
89163	Bear Creek Gravel	CR # 1, 2, 2-A Gravel	14,627.80
89164	Gwinner First Responders	2025 Allocation	6,500.00
	Information Technology	Off Prem Connectivity/WAN	
89165	Department	Access/Office/Misc/Netmotion	2,025.45
89166	Forman Ambulance	2025 Allocation	5,000.00
89167	Milnor Ambulance	2025 Allocation	5,000.00

Discussion on the JDA and the agreement on the spec homes. Discussion about getting the same insured.

Motion to publish the weed mowing notice. (Arth/Waswick). Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

ATTEST:	WADE ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN
TIA BOPP –AUDITOR	