

# Sargent County

## Job Development Authority

Minutes of March 5<sup>th</sup> 2003

Sargent County Courthouse

5:00 pm

Present: Ron Narum, Rex Ferguson, Robert Cookson, Bill Smith, Sandra Hanson, Ray Brockman, Steve Wyum, and Jay Jacobson

Not Present: Glenn Dorr, Jerry Erickson, Robert Lee

Call to order: Vice Chr Steve Wyum

Minutes of the Last Meeting were read-Bob Cookson/Ron Narum to approve minutes as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously.

|  |                              |                   |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Treasurer Report: Bob reported a balance of 1-1-03 |                              | \$22,887.48       |
|  | receipts for January         | + 1,483.84        |
|  | warrants January             | - <u>113.04</u>   |
|  | Balance 1-31-03              | \$ 24,258.28      |
|  | Lake Agassiz dedicated funds | - <u>19750.00</u> |
|  | SCJDA Balance                | \$ 4508.28        |

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| 2003 Budget \$37,000.00 | Misc.   |
| 2,000.00                | payroll |

Hanson addressed the issue of who's money the JDA is using and does the JDA need approval from the commission on all loans and why? Smith gave an overview as to why the commission had overturned the straw poll of 2 to 3 elections ago. 5:30 pm Jay Jacobson arrives at meeting. Smith explained that the commission established the SCJDA with a ¼ mill tax to facilitate a loan to Sargent Manor (now the Four Seasons) to maintain a nursing home in Sargent County and employ approximately 37 people. Smith also discussed the \$25,000.00 approved for Lake Agassiz with no return to the County for the micro loans to benefit Sargent County. Narum questioned the fact that JDA does not have any operating funds unless the county releases its control on the loaned funds. Wyum stated that the commission would look at the history and that the commission would review its minutes and commitment.

Hanson leaves meeting at 5:45 to assist in the interview process for Sargent Central, Cookson whom is also on that committee chose to stay at the JDA meeting.

States Attorney Lyle Bopp will be requested to attend the next JDA meeting to give his opinions on legal issues.

### OLD BUSINESS

**The Dakota State Line Alliance request of Funds-** for an administrator was reviewed with no action taken at this time. Charley Kramer had failed in his commitment to send a letter. Ron Narum was appointed by Wyum to contact Mr. Kramer to get his letter to this group.

**Withholding of Director Fees-**was reviewed and are waiting on an opinion from Sargent County Auditor.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Ambulance-** The questions was raised – is the ambulance a business?

**Fund requests-** no new requests for funds

**Next Meeting 5 pm April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Meeting adjourned 6:20 pm to facilitate the county agent needing the meeting room.

W.E. Smith  
acting secretary

---

---

---