

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

February 1, 2011 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Malm, Schmisek, Pic, Murphy and Knauf present.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to approve the order of agenda. Motion carried

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: employee status change for Daniel J. Hill; bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #152339-152530 in the amount of \$914,221.19; overtime; bonds for check reissue; Sheriff's Department Transport Statistics; and a Game of Chance Permit for Twining & Eielson Schools. Motion carried.

Jim Campbell, Emergency Management Director, presented the Grand Forks County Flood Protection Policy that is currently in place. Chairman Malm set a tentative date for a Special Commission Meeting on February 22, 2011 at 4:00pm. Mr. Campbell will give a flood update at that meeting.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to accept the bid from United Crane & Excavation, Inc., Grand Forks, ND, for dragline excavation. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to accept the bid from Gabriel Construction, Northwood, ND, for gravel & hauling. Motion carried.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Schmisek, to accept the bid from Strata Corporation, Grand Forks, ND for class 43 aggregate. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Schmisek, to accept the bid from Johnston Fargo Culvert Inc, Fargo, ND, for riveted copper steal culverts and aprons, and steel multi plate arch culverts and round multi plate culverts. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to accept the bid from Cretex Concrete Products West, Rapid City, SD, for prestressed concrete bridge beams. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to approve the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) Maintenance Agreement for County/Township roadways within the NDDOT right-of-way. Motion carried.

Amber Vaughn, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the abatement application for Neil & Beverly Thompson on parcel number 28-3601-00006-000 and reduce the 2009 True and Full Value from \$88,800 to \$14,800. Motion carried.

Sheriff Rost presented the Domestic Violence Investigator statistics from March 31, 2010 to the end of 2010.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Chair's signature on a six month contract with Grand Forks County USDA Farm Service Agency for access to Grand Forks County's website to research and print recorded documents. Motion carried.

The RFP for a County wide Compensation/Position Description Study will be discussed at a Personnel Committee Meeting on March 1, 2011.

Commissioner Knauf volunteered to be a chili judge at the Christ of God Church on February 27, 2011.

Chairman Malm, Peter Welte and Debbie Nelson will schedule a meeting with Wendy Wendt, Grand Forks Library Director, to discuss drafting an agreement with the Library.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Schmisek, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:50pm. The next meeting will be held on February 15, 2011.

Gary Malm, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor