

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

February 15, 2011 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2011 meeting.

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

Moved by Pic, seconded by Murphy, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: employee status changes for Edward Morello and Shariyka Newton; bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #152531-152815 in the amount of \$729,921.75; overtime; monthly financial report; and a Game of Chance Permit for Grand Forks Gun Club. Motion carried.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to accept the Court Facilities Improvement Grant award of \$11,559.38, contingent upon approval of the project by the Grand Forks Historical Society. Motion carried. Ms. Hansen will contact the Grand Forks Historical Society.

Barb Zavala, Veterans Service Officer, gave an update on the Veterans Service Office.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to revoke the Special Use Permit granted June 19, 2007 to Knute Thorsgard to operate a confined animal feeding operation in the NE ¼ of Section 15 of Lind Township. Correspondence will be sent to Mr. Thorsgard indicating how many cattle he is allowed on the property under our limited livestock raising ordinance. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to appointed Robert Drees to the unexpired term of John Rodgers on the Planning and Zoning Board, the term will expire 12/31/2011. Motion carried.

Sheriff Rost addressed the board.

Sheriff Rost, Peter Welte and Ed Nierode will review and draft the River Cities Speedway Service Contract and the Fairground Policy for the second meeting in March.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Pic, to approve out-of-state travel for Christopher Smith to attend a conference on Crimes Against Women in Dallas, Texas on March 28-30, 2011. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

The Larimore City Mayor will be contacted to schedule a meeting with Chairman Malm and Lane Magnuson regarding the demolition of the properties located at 223 Wolcott Avenue and 116 East Front Street, Larimore. Grand Forks County will pay the Larimore City water bills on those two properties until an agreement can be reached with the City of Larimore.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to send a letter to Agri Sales Inc. requesting to replat Thompson's Third Addition to Northwood at the County's expense. The Grand Forks County

shop, which is approximately 60 years old, is located on land that is in Agri Sales' name. Motion carried.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve Chairman Malm's signature on the County Library Service Agreement. Motion carried.

The second Commission Meeting in March will be March 22, 2011.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:51pm. The next meeting will be held on March 1, 2011.

Gary Malm, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor