

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

February 18, 2020 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Knauf, Pic, Falck, Rost and Engen present.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Pic, to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2020 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Engen, to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting. Motion carried with Knauf, Pic, Rost and Engen voting aye. Commissioner Falck abstained from voting.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to approve the order of the agenda, adding Amber Gudajtes, Tax Equalization Director after the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Rost, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check # 34152 - Anderson Dorinda- \$299, 34153 - Cass County Sheriff- \$200, 34154 - City of Grand Forks-Auditor- \$2673.93, 34155 - Gereszek Sarah W- \$350, 34156 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$775, 34157 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$775, 34158 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$775, 34159 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$1000, 34160 - GF Public Health Department- \$46173.75, 34161 - Greatamerica Financial Svcs- \$1511.76, 34162 - Hain Katelyn- \$161.1, 34163 - Indepth Inspections- \$2291.67, 34164 - Rolette County Sheriff- \$500, 34165 - Schuman Law Office- \$4100, 34166 - Smette Shellie- \$65.55, 34167 - Steele County Sheriff- \$800, 34168 - UND Forensic Pathology- \$6662.5, 34169 - Ward County Sheriff- \$400, 34170 - Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND (Payroll)- \$325661.76, 34171 - Collection Center Inc- \$389.05, 34172 - First Collections Inc- \$211.95, 34173 - NYS Child Support Processing Center- \$847.98, 34174 - Robert G Drummond- \$50, 34175 - Rodenburg Law Firm-Fargo- \$156.53, 34176 - United States Treasury- \$91.15, 34177 - US Department of Education Awg- \$258.78, 34178 - Hartford Steam Boiler- \$7961, 34179 - City of Northwood (Hwy)- \$217.51, 34180 - 1101 Dental Pllc- \$456, 34181 - A+ Yard and Snow LLC- \$5386.25, 34182 - Acme Electric/Tool Crib of Nor- \$217.98, 34183 - Advanced Business Methods- \$302.52, 34184 - Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc.- \$1288, 34185 - All About Kids- \$762, 34186 - All Embracing Home Care LLC- \$810.84, 34187 - Allstate Peterbilt-Grand Forks- \$180.08, 34188 - Altru Clinic-Main- \$1852, 34189 - Altru Health System (978)- \$2256.81, 34190 - Altru Retail Pharmacy- \$4.82, 34191 - Ameripride Services, Inc.- \$400.08, 34192 - Amundson Funeral Home- \$11500, 34193 - Anderson Brothers Body Shop LLC- \$2165.6, 34194 - Anderson Kimberly- \$55.1, 34195 - Auto Value Or Larimore- \$0.67, 34196 - Axon Enterprise Inc- \$245.25, 34197 - Balco Uniform Co- \$236, 34198 - Bell Insurance Services LLC- \$2271, 34199 - Berg Tricia Mackenzie- \$132.24, 34200 - Bob Barker Company- \$798.89, 34201 - Border States Trophy & Awards- \$168, 34202 - Business Essentials- \$312.48, 34203 - Butler Machinery Company- \$211.73, 34204 - C & R Laundry- \$137.8, 34205 - C L Linfoot Company- \$60, 34206 - Cana- \$25, 34207 - Cardinal, Alisa R - \$201.5, 34208 - Carney Bernadine- \$50, 34209 - CDW Government- \$5006.12, 34210 - Cintas- \$162.26, 34211 - City of Grand Forks-Police Dept- \$1049.25, 34212 - City of Grand Forks-Water- \$6057.34, 34213 - CNA Surety- \$100, 34214 - Cole Paper Inc.- \$5996.1, 34215 - Comfort Suites-Bismarck- \$86.4, 34216 - Community Service Program- \$3760, 34217 - Confer Miranda- \$296.45, 34218 - Copy Cat Printing- \$115, 34219 - Dacotah Paper Co- \$1736.45, 34220 - Dahl Funeral Home- \$2300, 34221 - Daydreams Specialties- \$196, 34222 - Deere Credit Inc- \$2985.58, 34223 - Dennie's Delivery Inc- \$240, 34224 - Diamond Cleaning Supply- \$199.99, 34225 - Docu Shred Inc- \$38.29, 34226 - Edwards Chelsea- \$100, 34227 - Embrace Pharmacy Inc.- \$4981.31, 34228 - Eslinger, Brenda Joy - \$245.7, 34229 - Everett Sarah- \$67.89, 34230 -

Farmers Oil Co- \$10715.81, 34231 - Fastenal- \$335.88, 34232 - Forum Communications- \$1403.76, 34233 - Gateway Auto Tech- \$96, 34234 - Germundson Kress- \$199.01, 34235 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$775, 34236 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$775, 34237 - GF Public Health Department- \$17733.62, 34238 - GF Welding & Machine- \$3716.44, 34239 - Global Safety Network- \$249, 34240 - Gowan, Nadin - \$73.5, 34241 - Greatamerica Financial Svcs- \$720.87, 34242 - Gregory J Norman Funeral Home- \$2300, 34243 - Guardian RFID- \$18330.99, 34244 - Hill Heidee- \$98.97, 34245 - Hoeper, Scot N - \$116.9, 34246 - Home of Economy- \$647.46, 34247 - Hutton Myste- \$83.38, 34248 - Indiana State Dept of Health- \$10, 34249 - Information Technology Dept- \$434.45, 34250 - Integrity Homecare and Counseling- \$598.34, 34251 - Interstate Power Systems Inc- \$714.76, 34252 - Interstate Towing & Recovery- \$833.7, 34253 - Jirout George C- \$1097, 34254 - Keller Jalissa Spanier- \$110.4, 34255 - Klava, Janelle M - \$150.5, 34256 - KLJ - \$2372.52, 34257 - Knain Jolaine- \$92.69, 34258 - Kraus-Parr, Morrow, and Weber Law- \$75, 34259 - Kutak Rock Llp- \$935, 34260 - Liberty Business Systems Inc- \$174.23, 34261 - Lithia Payment Processing- \$686.92, 34262 - Little Keepers.- \$1359.13, 34263 - Little Miracles- \$376, 34264 - Loffler- \$50.3, 34265 - Lommen Kathy- \$60, 34266 - Long, Kateri R - \$92.73, 34267 - Lowe's- \$872.32, 34268 - Lund Jacki- \$208.49, 34269 - Lunseth Plumbing & Heating- \$1100.48, 34270 - Lutheran Social Services-Fargo 11Th St- \$602.25, 34271 - Mailfinance- \$185.85, 34272 - Manvel Oil Coop- \$2675.44, 34273 - Marco -Tx- \$776.4, 34274 - Marco Technologies LLC- \$1143.36, 34275 - McCutcheon Ruth Annette- \$100, 34276 - Mckesson Medical Surgical- \$121.26, 34277 - Menards- \$654.24, 34278 - Merle's Air Duct & Furnace Cleaning- \$225, 34279 - Midcontinent Communications- \$121.9, 34280 - Moen, Brook R - \$73.5, 34281 - Mountrail County Correctional Center- \$300, 34282 - Mutch Oil Co- \$2270.55, 34283 - Mutch Oil Company- \$528.2, 34284 - Myles Kami Jo- \$62.68, 34285 - National Muffler and Auto Service- \$473, 34286 - NC Dept of Health & Human Services- \$48, 34287 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$1451.57, 34288 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$1092.59, 34289 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$993.54, 34290 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$1308.97, 34291 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$4380.34, 34292 - ND Sheriff's & Deputies Assoc- \$800, 34293 - ND Weed Control Assoc-Elgin- \$575, 34294 - NDACTVSO- \$290, 34295 - NDCCAA- \$100, 34296 - Nelco First Aid Inc- \$51.7, 34297 - Nelson International- \$705.76, 34298 - New Vision- \$361.85, 34299 - Niffenegger Angela- \$346.13, 34300 - Nodak Electric Coop- \$44.71, 34301 - Northern Bag and Box- \$49705.38, 34302 - Northern Laundry Systms Serv & Sales- \$2054.83, 34303 - Northern Plumbing Supply- \$1364.16, 34304 - Northwest Tire Inc- \$205.28, 34305 - Noss Sewing & Alterations- \$30, 34306 - Nygaard-Koplin Dawn- \$320.94, 34307 - O'Reilly Auto Parts- \$1224.54, 34308 - Office Depot-Chicago- \$267.87, 34309 - Olson Sadie- \$169.63, 34310 - Olson, Genevieve K - \$118.45, 34311 - Olson, Shannon L- \$156.73, 34312 - Olson, Sonja S - \$146.72, 34313 - Oppegard's Implement- \$44.4, 34314 - Peru- \$4118.04, 34315 - Phoenix Supply- \$3811.36, 34316 - Plummer Nicole- \$269.05, 34317 - Polk County Sheriff- \$55, 34318 - Polz, Katie M- \$267.07, 34319 - Praxair- \$38.37, 34320 - Premium Waters, Inc- \$102.85, 34321 - Ps Door Services- \$104.96, 34322 - Quality Inn-Bismarck- \$172.8, 34323 - Quibell, Stuart - \$73.5, 34324 - Raza Stephanie- \$456.9, 34325 - RBB Electric Inc- \$3213, 34326 - RDO Trust Account #80-5800- \$3961.22, 34327 - Reliance Inmate Systems- \$2000, 34328 - Riske Kimberly & Curtis- \$97.54, 34329 - Royal Tire Inc- \$382.65, 34330 - Rutter Gail- \$11, 34331 - Safety Kleen Corporation- \$356.52, 34332 - Sam's Club Atlanta- \$165, 34333 - Sam's Clubmc/SynCb- \$2216.91, 34334 - Shook, Patricia E - \$113.28, 34335 - Smith, Jacob S - \$123.8, 34336 - Sound Decision- \$119.99, 34337 - Stark, Joseph A - \$29.33, 34338 - Stein's Inc.- \$216.45, 34339 - Stericycle Inc- \$111.65, 34340 - Stones Mobile Radio Inc- \$1155.24, 34341 - Strasner Katrina- \$33.67, 34342 - Streichers- \$36.96, 34343 - Suedel Amy- \$223.59, 34344 - Surplus Center Inc.- \$288.34, 34345 - Sweeney Pat- \$140, 34346 - Telelanguage Inc- \$283.1, 34347 - The Chamber of Commerce-GF- \$500, 34348 - Thomson Reuters- \$247, 34349 - Thomson West- \$1478.51, 34350 - Titan Machinery-GF- \$6093.13, 34351 - Townhouse Hotel- \$266.4, 34352 - Tri Steel Mfgr Company- \$298.97, 34353 - Tyler Technologies Inc- \$850.5, 34354 - US Postmaster By Mail-GF- \$254, 34355 - US

Postmaster-Grand Forks- \$618, 34356 - Valley Dairy- \$202.82, 34357 - Valley Oral & Facial Surgery- \$350, 34358 - Valley Truck- \$77.34, 34359 - Verizon Wireless- \$2706.79, 34360 - VM Findley Consulting LLC- \$8000, 34361 - Ward County Sheriff- \$500, 34362 - Worsley Danielle E- \$79.35; employee status change for David Varriano, Gail Rutter, Stephanie Raza, Katie Nelson Polz and Katrina Johnson Strasner; overtime; game of chance permit for Grand Forks Spouses' Club; and January financial report. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Gudajtes, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Rost, to accept the Tax Equalization Director's recommendation and increase the 2020 agricultural value by 1% to remain within the State Board of Equalization's tolerance level. Motion carried with Knauf, Falck, Rost and Engen voting aye and Pic voting nay.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the Special Use Permit for Jerry and Julie Higgins to locate a 60' x 28' manufactured home on their property in section 29 of Bentru Township with the following condition, the existing home shall be demolished or removed from the property within one year of receiving a certificate of occupancy. Motion carried unanimously.

Kari Goelz, Emergency Manager, gave flood outlook update.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Engen, to appoint Leah Gustafson Ista to the Emergency Management Board for a two year term. The term will begin on March 6, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to approve the Chair's signature on letter to Grand Forks City asking them to concur with Leah Gustafson Ista's appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

State's Attorney Haley Wamstad invited the Commission to a dedication ceremony of the Women's Suffrage marker that was placed on the Courthouse lawn. It is the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. The ceremony and other activities that will take place at the Courthouse has been tentatively scheduled for April 30, 2020.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the Settlement Agreement with the Chair's signature regarding two parcels 44-2919-00015-000 and 44-2919-00016-000. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Rost, to uphold the termination of Chad Jensen. Motion carried with Knauf, Pic, Rost and Engen voting aye. Commissioner Falck abstained from voting.

Nick West, County Engineer, said he will be participating on the North Branch Forest River Dam #1 rehabilitation, environmental assessment.

Motion by Rost, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:37pm. The next meeting will be held on March 3, 2020 at 4:00pm.

Diane K. Knauf, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor