GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING March 19, 2002 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Kvasager, Murphy, Wood and Triplett present. Commissioner Malm absent.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve the minutes as corrected of the March 3rd, 2002 meeting. Motion carried.

Jim Brownlee appeared before the board to explain the consent agenda.

Moved by Triplett seconded by Wood, to approve the order of the agenda.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Wood, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included county deed to the city of Lairmore for Lot 4, 5, 6 & 7 of Block 78 Original Town site, and to cancel outstanding taxes. County deed to city of Emerado for lot 6, Block 4 Folson's 4th Addition. Also included were departmental reports, small claim fees refund, overtime reports, employee status changes and bills as submitted by the County Auditor as follows: Check #9542 thru Check #99740 in the amount of \$438,041.42 All accounts payable are on file in the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy to approve Construction and Maintenance Agreement with the North Dakota Department of Transportation for RCB culvert on Cole Creek 4 miles east & 1 mile south of Thompson structure. Motion Carried.

Moved by Triplett, second by Murphy, to approve the low bid of Uglem-Ness for two new tractors and a loader for a total of \$112,723.00. Motion carried.

Deb Nelson appeared before the board to explain the assessment cards now required by a board resolution for all Township assessors.

Carol McMahon, Planning and Zoning, appeared before the board. The following items were recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy to approve a Manufactured Home Permit for Sherie and Terry Nicholls. Motion carried. Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to approved a Manufactured Home Permit for David and Kathleen Koethe. Motioned carried. Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood to approve a sign for King's Walk Golf Course. Motioned carried. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve a Resubdivision Permit by Harold Stadstad. Motioned carried.

David Foley appeared before the board and requested and extension of time to remove two houses purchased from the county until May 25, 2002 and to rescind the purchase of two houses. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Wood, to extend the removal of four houses until May 25, 2002. Motion carried.

Tom Alinder representing Grand Forks County Emergency Medical Services, appeared before the board. Mr. Alinder informed the board that Grand Forks County Emergency Medical Services is circulating a petition to raise the County mill levy for ambulance service.

Ed Nierode appeared before the board and requested that Avis Borst and Margaret Kvernen, cooks at the County Correctional Center, be reclassified from a 1-J to a 1-L, and 1-E to a 1-I respectively. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy to approve the job reclassifications and to make reclassifications effective March 15, 2002. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Wood, to review job descriptions for cooks at County Corrections Center. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to have chairman sign resolution of support for Amtract Railroad. Motion carried.

Jim Forsberg appeared before the board in regard to property leased by the county. Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to proceed with calling for bids on sale of county property on Gateway Drive and to notify the Fair Board that the property will be sold and to commence removal of fuel tank located on that property. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to receive and file, and to forward to the Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce and the Convention and Visitor's Bureau . Motion Carried.

Board was informed that North Dakota Association of Counties will be visiting Grand Forks County on March, 26, 2002. Arraignments will be made for their visit.

Jim Odegard, States Attorney informed board that there was a request from the Arvilla Cemetery Association to obtain an easement and to identify and sign the County Home and Farm cemetery.

Commission Kvasager read a letter for retiring Auditor thanking the board for all their assistance over the years.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to adjourn. The next meeting will be on April 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

Arvin Kvasager, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

James Brownlee, County Auditor