

## GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

March 18, 2003 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #18307 thru Check #118507 in the amount of \$233,289.34, approval of overtime and employee status changes, approval of Veterans Service Officer Report, approval of out of state travel for Veterans Service Officer. Motion carried.

Jim Brownlee, Director of Finance and Tax, addressed the board and gave a financial report.

Debbie Nelson, Director of Property and Records, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the application for abatement of the 2001 taxes from Diane Stanislawski for Block 8, Lot 22 Congressional 2<sup>nd</sup> Resubdivision, Grand Forks City. To reduce the True and Full Value from \$113,200 to \$33,200. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the application for abatement of the 2001 & 2002 taxes from Joy Gullekson, for Block 1, Lot 18 Washington Estates Resubdivision, Grand Forks City, to reduce the True and Full Value from \$102,700 to \$22,700. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the application for abatement of the 2002 taxes from Gladys Gleason, on parcel # 14-1604-00001-000, to reduce the True and Full Value from \$78,500 to \$64,500 and on parcel # 14-1601-00001-001 from \$49,928 to \$36,928. Motion carried.

Debbie Nelson informed the board on Senate Bill 2390 and the effect on ag land valuations.

Dean Dahl, Information Service Director, addressed the board and requested a lease purchase of a new IBM AS-400 computer in the amount of \$84,189.60. Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the purchase. Motion carried.

Carol McMahan, County Planning and Zoning, addressed the Board

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Triplett, to approve a Rezoning Permit application by Gary Dubuque to exclude from Zone A-1, Agriculture, and include within Zone B-1, Commercial, a 6.363 acre tract of land located in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 4, Township 151 North, Range 51 West, Brenna Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve an Approach Permit application by Gary Dubuque for an access to be located off County Highway 5 at the quarter-quarter point of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 4, Township 151 North, Range 51 West, Brenna Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board on the providing States Attorney services to Steele County. Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to have the States Attorney make a proposal to Steele County on costs to provide that service. Motion carried. Peter Welte also updated the board on the status of the bids on demolition of buildings in Inkster, status of the buildings in Northwood and Child Support Unit.

Jim Brownlee, Director of Finance and Tax, addressed the board on an invoice due to C. L. Linfoot for roof repair at the County Office Building. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to pay the invoice in the amount of \$1,893.70. Motion carried.

Al Morkin, PSAP Director, addressed the board and requested chairman's signature on Joint Powers Agreement to extend the current agreement for five years. Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to approve chairman's signature. Motion carried.

Jim Brownlee updated the board on the status of various proposed legislation. Board requested that States Attorney review the county park board status.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve a contract with Baukol Builders with changing the paragraph that limits the County's financial responsibility to a maximum of \$20,000 for both the preliminary demolition and removal of electrical material in the courthouse basement. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to donate the counter in the old Treasurer's office to UND. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on April 1, 2003.

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Gary Malm, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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James Brownlee, County Auditor