

## GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

June 17, 2003 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #20464 thru Check #20663 in the amount of \$242,515.52, approval of overtime, employee status changes, and approval of game of chance permit for the Grand Forks County 4-H Organization. Motion carried.

Donna Bernhardt from the NDSU Extension Office addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve the Family Nutrition Program Grant.

Judge Kleven addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve additional funding for the Indigent Defense fund for 2003 of \$4000 and to authorized Judge Kleven to sign a contract for Indigent Defense for 2004 for \$30,000. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve the application for abatement of the 2002 taxes from LaVonne Stoik, on Pt of the SE1/4NW1/4, 12-151-55, Larimore Township, to reduce the True and Full Value to \$87,000. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve the application for abatement of the 2001 and 2002 taxes from Gary Sweeney, on Pt of the SE1/4SE1/4, 1-151-54, Arvilla Township, to reduce the True and Full Value to \$20,714. Motion carried.

Jim Brownlee, Director of Finance and Tax, gave a financial report for May of 2003.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to recess the board and convene as the Board of Equalization.

The Board reconvened at 4:40 P.M.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to accept the contract from Morris Sealcoat in the amount of \$870,407.54. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to accept the low bid from Pederson Implement in the amount of \$12,175.00. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve Request for Proposal for Consulting Engineering Service for a bridge across the Turtle River at the City of Manvel. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to allow the encroachment on County Road 4B by Xcel Energy to bury electrical cable. Motion carried.

Carol McMahan, Planning and Zoning Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve a Manufactured Home Permit application by Robert J Moen for a 2001 28X56 Manufactured Home to be located on Lots 11, 13 and 15 of Block 26, Arvilla Townsite, in Section 12, Township 151 North, Range 54 West, Arvilla Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve a Rezoning Permit application by Lavern Berger to exclude from Zone 1 and include within Zone B-1, Commercial, a parcel northerly and adjacent to the former Far Side establishment, off the frontage road parallel to County Road B3 in the SW ¼ of Section 31, Township 152 North, Range 52 West, Blooming Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve an Approach Permit application by Lavern Berger for an access with a 30 inch diameter culvert off the frontage road at the approximate center of the above stated lot as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

John Galagher Jr. addressed the Board.

Gary Jordheim addressed the Board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve a Subdivision Permit application by Gary Jordheim for the Elm Coulee Subdivision located in the SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 150 North, Range 51 West, Allendale Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve a Subdivision Permit application by Gerald Roach for Sunset Subdivision located in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 6, Township 152 North, Range 52 West, Blooming Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. With the stipulation that no building permits be issued for Lot 6 until an agreement is reached with Blooming Township concerning construction, maintenance and liability of 24<sup>th</sup> Street NE. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to ask the City to draw up a sample lease to be presented to the City Council and returned to the County Commission for final approval. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve two Operator I positions at the County Highway Department be reclassified as Operator II and all newly hired Operator I positions will be promoted to Operator II after a two year period. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Murphy, to approve the hiring of a temporary half-time employee in the Building and Grounds Department. Motion carried.

Jim Brownlee, Director of Finance and Tax, reviewed the 2002 Audit Report.

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

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Gary Malm, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Jim Brownlee, County Auditor