

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

July 15, 2003 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Wood, to approve the order of agenda with item 7 being removed, adding Gary Gardner after item 4 and the Chair will insert an item after item 12. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status changes, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #21089 thru Check #21270 in the amount of \$451,967.05, approval of overtime, approval of Bonds for check reissue, approval of Pledges of Securities and approval of game of chance permit for Evanger Lutheran Church. Motion carried.

Gary Gardner, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to trade a Correctional Center vehicle with a newer Sheriff's Department vehicle. Motion carried.

Morris Davidson addressed the Board.

Debbie Nelson, Director of Finance and Tax, gave a financial report for June of 2003.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Kvasager, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Wood, to approve a Manufactured Home Permit application by Warren O'Hara for a 1988 16X80 Manufactured Home to be located in the easterly 327.5 feet of the W1/2 of Section 16, Township 151 North, Range 51 West, Brenna Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve a Manufactured Home Permit application by Becky Wolf for a 2003 28X80 Manufactured Home to be located on lot D of Willie Meagher Subdivision in the NW ¼ of Section 12, Township 152 North, Range 51 West, Rye Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to approve a Manufactured Home Permit application by Roland Riemers for a 1985 16X80 Manufactured Home to be located on Lot 5 of Nesheim's housing tract in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 6, Township 151 North, Range 51 West, Brenna Township with the stipulation that it be placed on a permanent continuous foundation as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve an Approach Permit application by Roland Riemers for an access with a 24 inch diameter culvert 200 feet south of the front lot line off the frontage road for the above mentioned lot as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wood, to approve a Manufactured Home Permit application by Chris Bilyeu for a 2002 32X80 Manufactured Home to be located on Lot 3 of Gregoire Housing Tract in the SW ¼ of Section 1, Township 152 North, Range 52 West, Blooming Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the Board.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Kvasager, to accept the low bid from Gaffaney's for \$148,814 for office equipment for the States Attorney's office to be taken out of the building account. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to accept the proposal of approximately \$130,000 from Envirotech Remediation Services for lead abatement and demolition. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to deny the request of Mr. Lynn Bingham of Northeast Human Services to extend the buy-out provision in the lease until June of 2005. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the hire date of Bridgie Hansen and Kay Homstad to be consistent with the date recognized by ND PERS, upon verification, with no additional pay. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the estimate of \$3,800 from Electro Watchman, to relocate the panic buttons to the Civic Auditorium. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to offer the position of Director of Property and Records to Mr. Robert Wood. At Mr. Wood's request, Kvasager made a secondary motion, seconded by Triplett, to allow Mr. Wood to abstain from the main motion. Secondary motion carried. Main motion carried, with Malm, Triplett, Kvasager and Murphy voting aye.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to pay Debbie Nelson as a Grade 18, Step 2, \$59,321, effective July 1, 2003 with annual raises on her anniversary date in 2004 and 2005 with an additional amount of \$3,000 per year until Mr. Wood becomes a Certified Tax Director. On roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to pay Mr. Brownlee his requested vacation hours. Motion carried, with Kvasager, Murphy and Wood voting aye, Malm and Triplett voting nay.

Chairman Malm administered the Oath of Office to the Director of Property and Records, Robert Wood.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to invite Judge Kleven or her designee to participate in the appointment of an individual to fill the vacancy in the County Commission and place a legal notice in the Grand Forks Herald notifying the public of the vacancy with an ending date of July 31, 2003 for applications to be turned in to the Finance and Tax Office. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to move Triplett up to vice chair upon the resignation of Mr. Wood. Motion carried.

Moved by Wood, seconded by Triplett, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on August 5, 2003.

Gary Malm, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor