

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

August 5, 2003 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Triplett, to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status changes, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #21327 thru Check #21485 in the amount of \$400,984.87, approval of overtime, approval of Bonds for check reissue and approval of game of chance permit for Grand Forks AFB Spouses Club. Motion carried.

Dr. Sharon Anderson and Margaret Tweten, NDSU Extension, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve Margaret Tweten as the County Chair and District Director of the NDSU Extension Office. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy and seconded by Triplett to approve amending the County Zoning Resolution by including SECTION 7. Subdivision 13, Subdivision Regulations, adding Subdivision Definitions to SECTION 4, Subdivision 2. Definitions, and adding Subdivision Permit Fees to SECTION 13A. Fees. Motion Carried.

Richard Onstad, Highway Department, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the proposal for consulting engineering services to CPS, Ltd. on Bridge Project BRC-1808(54). Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the 2004-2006 County Federal Aid Program. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Qwest Corporation, CR#4B, County Road Encroachment & Crossing Permit. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Midcontinent Communications CR#1, CR#3 and CR#33 County Road Encroachment & Crossing Permits. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to request bids for (2) two-wheel drive pickups. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the Coal Creek Construction, CR#3, County Road Encroachment & Crossing Permit. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to include Commissioner Triplett's presentation at the dedication of the Kelly's Slough National Wildlife Refuge as part of the meeting record. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to not go forward with the Courthouse building commissioning process and only do so after the construction is complete, if needed. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to request Northeast Human Services to remove the contents from room #S528 to try and eliminate the odor and to provide temporary storage space in the former Social Services building. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to ask those that applied for the open seat on the Grand Forks County Commission to submit a letter to the Commission by August 15, 2003 to answer the following question, "What is your vision for your work as a County Commissioner, in terms of special ideas, initiatives or creative activities, over and above attendance at meetings and work as assigned on internal committees or external boards?". Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to give Mr. Nierode general authority, in the absence of the Building Committee, to act on on-site decisions when quick decisions are needed on the Courthouse remodeling project. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to transfer \$175,452.61 from the Estate Tax Fund to the County Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to pay SPA the remaining balance of \$5,000 for 2003. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on August 19, 2003.

Gary Malm, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor