

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

October 1, 2003 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve the order of agenda with item 11 being discussed before item 16 and no bids for the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria will be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, 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 #22623 thru Check #22772 in the amount of \$189,469.92, approval of overtime and approval of bonds for check reissue. Motion carried.

Gary Gardner, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Robert Wood, Property and Records Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to deny the applications for abatement of the 2001, 2002 and 2003 taxes from Lonnie Lyke, on Lot 4 Block 4, Folsom's 1st Addition, Emerado, ND. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Murphy, to appoint Dr. Mary Ann Sens as the Grand Forks County Coroner for a period of two years. Motion carried.

Commissioner Triplett indicated she was not in agreement with the way the matter was handled with the prior County Coroner, Dr. Polovitz.

Chairman Malm administered the Oath of Office to the Grand Forks County Coroner, Dr. Mary Ann Sens.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the Qwest Corporation CR #11, County Road Encroachment & Crossing Permit. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve the Building Committee be authorized to spend up to \$225,000 for the entombment of the ceiling in the Courthouse. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to open the bids for sale of used vehicles from the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to waive the technicality on a bid that was opened prior to the bid opening by mistake. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to accept the highest bids. Motion carried.

The bids were awarded as follows:

Unit #2 -1997 Ford Crown Victoria	Daniel Hanson, \$ 729.00
Unit #3 -1992 Chevrolet Astro Van	Darcy Fonder, \$1,049.00

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to transfer the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria from the Sheriff's Department to Juvenile Detention. Motion carried.

The board opened a public hearing on the 2004 budget at 4:40.

Tom Saddler, Veteran Service Officer, addressed the board.

Kristi Hall-Jiran, Executive Director of the Community Violence Intervention Center, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the final 2004 budget of \$24,015,843.00. Motion carried. A copy of the final budget is on file in the County Finance and Tax Office.

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

Kirk Williams, Energy & Environmental Research Center, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve payment of \$1000 for sponsorship of the Regional Storm Water Coordination Project to be taken from the Planning and Zoning budget. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to appoint Commissioner Kvasager as the North Dakota State Fair Delegate. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Triplett, to recess for a closed executive session. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to end the executive session and resume the regular meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on October 21, 2003.

Gary Malm, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor