

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

January 6, 2004 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Malm called for nominations for Chair of the Board for 2004.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to nominate Triplett to serve as Chair for the year 2004. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to cease nominations for Chair. Motion carried.

Chairman Malm called for nominations for Vice Chair of the Board for 2004.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to nominate Murphy to serve as Vice Chair for the year 2004. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to cease nominations for Vice Chair. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to accept the external board assignments (permanent boards) as presented. Motion carried.

Chairperson Triplett made the following committee assignments:

Personnel Committee.....	Commissioner Triplett Commissioner Murphy
Building Committee.....	Commissioner Triplett Commissioner Malm
Finance Committee.....	Commissioner Kvasager
Roads and Bridges.....	Commissioner Kvasager
Law Enforcement.....	Commissioner Yahna
City/County Communications.....	Commissioner Kvasager
Emergency Management.....	Commissioner Malm

Purchasing.....	Commissioner Yahna
Northeast Human Services Advisory Board.....	Commissioner Murphy
Electronics/Computer.....	Commissioner Murphy
Red River Regional Committee.....	Commissioner Murphy
Alternate	Commissioner Yahna
Metro Planning.....	Commissioner Malm
Solid Waste Management.....	Commissioner Yahna
City/County Housing Authority.....	Commissioner Kvasager
Base Realignment.....	Commissioner Malm
Elections.....	Commissioner Malm
Fair Board.....	Commissioner Yahna
City/County Board of Health.....	Commissioner Kvasager
County Planning and Zoning.....	Commissioner Triplett
	Commissioner Malm
Economic Development.....	Commissioner Triplett
City/County Airport.....	Commissioner Yahna
Fairground Land Task Force.....	Commissioner Kvasager
Crime Reduction Grant Program.....	Commissioner Malm
	Commissioner Murphy
Wellness Program.....	Commissioner Yahna
Red River Water Management Consortium.....	Commissioner Kvasager

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to appoint States Attorney Peter Welte as parliamentarian for the board meetings. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to adopt Robert’s Rules of Order as the official procedure by which the Board of County Commissioners will conduct meetings. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, 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 #24744 thru Check #24914 in the amount of \$443,921.16, approval of overtime, pledges of securities, designate bank depositories and Veterans Service Office Report. Motion carried.

Terry Stromsodt, representing the Fair Board, addressed the board.

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

Tim Dittus, Attorney representing the Calvary Cemetery Association, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to advertise the east 13.4 acres of the Fairground Subdivision Property for sale through the bidding process. The bid specification will be drawn up by the States Attorney's Office and will allow rejection of any and all bids and will also allow access to the remaining property. Motion carried with Malm, Yahna, Kvasager and Murphy voting aye, Triplett voting nay.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to set the County Board of Equalization for 4:30pm on June 1, 2004. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Kvasager, to approve a change order of approximately \$90,000 for Baukol Builders on the Courthouse Remodeling Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to inform the Grand Forks Country Club that they will not be allowed to sell beer or liquor until their applications are received and fees have been paid, the Chair is authorized to sign the licenses when the application and fees are received. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to allow Mike Fonder to carry over an additional 52 hours of vacation time until April 1, 2004 because of unforeseen circumstances that did not allow him to take vacation prior to the end of the year. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to allow Correctional Officer Stu Quibell to join the fitness center in Drayton, ND and that he will be reimbursed the amount that would have been paid to Center Court Fitness for his membership. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to fill the vacant Administrative Assistant I position in Regional Child Support and move Lynn M. Johnson to the Administrative Officer II position to work both in the Regional Child Support and Social Service Departments. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to send Commissioner Yahna to the Wind Energy and Rural Development in North Dakota Conference, February 18-19, 2004, in Fargo, ND. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Kvasager, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on January 20, 2004.

Constance Triplett, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor