

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 4, 2004 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2004 meeting as corrected. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #27661 thru Check #27836 in the amount of \$529,180.55, approval of overtime, Veteran Service Office Report, approval of County Deeds and cancel taxes on 49-0001-00097-003, approval of bond for check reissue, and approval of game of chance permits for St Olaf WELCA and Twining PTO. Motion carried.

Grant Shaft addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chair's signature on a Quit Claim Deed and a bill of sale for Lot One (1), Block One (1), less the southerly 108.9 feet thereof, Cenex Subdivision, Grand Forks, ND, to Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives and for Mr. Shaft to bill the County a reasonable fee for his time on this matter. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the application for abatement of the 2003 taxes from Wade Bilden, on Lot 1, excluding the south thirty-five feet, P.S. Evanson's South-Side Lots, City of Northwood, ND. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to deny the application for abatement of the 2003 taxes from Philip & Dorothy Olson, on Pt NW1/4, 31-150-50, Walle Township. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve the application for abatement of the 2002 taxes from Vern Bowman, on Pt of N1/2NW1/4, 1-151-55, Larimore Township. Motion carried.

Richard Onstad, Highway Department Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the Chair's signature on the County Township Road Mileage Certification. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to accept the low bids for the repairs and updates to the Emerado and Larimore sheds, as follows; The Insulation Place, insulation, \$22,000, Overhead Doors, doors, \$5449, Hastings, heating, \$3068 and Jim Weber, sheeting, \$2650. Motion carried.

Rick Nygaard, Kedney Moving Center, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to open the bids for the move and relocation of the Grand Forks District Court. Motion carried.

The following bids were received:

Alliance Relocation	\$49,578.00
Whalen's Moving & Storage	24,500.00
Kedney Moving Center	43,450.00

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to accept the low bid from Whalen's Moving & Storage for \$24,500. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Kvasager, to accept the proposal from Bergstrom Electric, Inc. for \$1,460 to reroute the cables for the P.A. system in the Commissioner's room. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to increase the lease with Northeast Human Services Department by \$.33 for a total of \$12.05 for the balance of this year and for the 2005-2007 biennium. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to rent room N455, an unfinished area that is approximately 658 square feet for \$4.00 per square foot, starting January 2004. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to purchase new cameras for the Juvenile Detention Center in the amount of \$11,000, to be taken from the construction fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to hire an additional full-time permanent deputy in the Sheriff's Office to fill in for a deputy that has been called to active duty for a period of 18 months. This additional position will be added upon the deputy's activation date and upon the deputy's return the first deputy position that becomes open in the Sheriff's Office will not be refilled. Motion carried.

Gary Gardner, Correction Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to hire a full-time cook in the Correctional Center. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to give a copy of the County Building and Courthouse blue prints to Grand Forks City for the use in the HLS Program. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on May 18, 2004.

Constance Triplett, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor