GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING December 21, 2004 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status changes, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #33270 thru Check #33535 in the amount of \$318,093.73, approval of overtime, Sheriff's Department Transport Stats, County Deeds on parcel number 32-4201-00011-000 and 14-3731-00301-000 and approval of Liquor and Beer Licenses for Grand Forks Country Club, Hitching Post Bar & Grill and Riverview Golf Course, Inc. Motion carried.

Bill Hamm, Integra Telecom, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to accept the proposal from Integra Telecom, contingent upon a review by Dean Dahl. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the application for abatement of the 2004 taxes from Brad and Beth Ness and reduce the 2004 True and Full Value from \$271,800 to \$248,300 on part of the NW1/4, section 34, 150-52, Fairfield Township. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve, in part, the application for abatement of the 2004 taxes from Gary A. and Cathryn A. Ebel and reduce the 2004 True and Full Value from \$26,800 to \$5,000 on part of the NW1/4, section 15, 154-56, Elkmount Township. Motion carried.

Mike Fonder, Sheriff's Department, addressed the board.

Dan Hill, Sheriff, addressed the board.

Dean Dahl, Information Systems Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to approve the purchase of Spysweeper for an estimated \$3,500 to come from the Computer budget. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the purchase of software that converts reports into an image file for \$5,000 to come from the Technology Fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to approve the purchase of a monitor to be used in the Commission Room for about \$7,000 to come from the County Reserve. Motion carried.

Carole McMahon, Planning and Zoning Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve a Subdivision Permit application by Michael Marcotte for Ali's Subdivision to be located in the N ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 11, Township 149 North, Range 50 West, Americus Township as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Richard Onstad, Highway Department Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chair, Auditor and States Attorney signatures on the Contract and Contract Bond for project AC-BRC-1808(054) on bridge at Manvel. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Chair, Auditor and States Attorney signatures on the Contract and Contract Bond for project AC-SC-1819(056) on county road from Arvilla south to ND 15. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to approve the County Road Encroachment and Crossing Permit with Qwest Corporation on CR 11. Motion carried.

Lonny Winrich addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to retain all applications for County Boards and Commissions for a period of one year from the date of the appointment. Motion carried.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, gave a financial report for November of 2004.

Ed Nierode, Personnel and Administrative Services Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to authorize the Finance Chairman Kvasager to approve any bills that come in before the end of the year. Motion carried.

Chair Triplett was presented a plaque in recognition of being the Chair for the year of 2004.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on January 4, 2005.

Constance Triplett, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor