

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

October 18, 2005 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2005 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Triplett, to approve the order of agenda adding Michael Anson to the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the items in the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status changes, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #40154 thru Check #40202 and Check #40292 thru Check #40485 in the amount of \$969,022.48, approval of overtime, approve County Deed on parcel number 49-3131-00093-002, approve September Financial Report and the Sheriff's Department Transport Stats for September. Motion carried.

Les Noehre, District Engineer, North Dakota Department of Transportation, addressed the board.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the manufactured home permit application of Jon and Lisa Heyd to temporarily locate a 80' x 16' manufactured home on Lot 6, Block 1 of Clemetson's Second Subdivision, with the condition that it be removed from the subject property by April 1, 2007. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to approve the manufactured home permit application of Mike Degelder to locate a 80' x 16' manufactured home on Lot 11, Block 1 of Clemetson's Second Subdivision. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the application for abatement of the 2004 taxes from Phyllis Felchle on Lot 8, Block 7, Valley Park 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Grand Forks City. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to approve the application for abatement of the 2005 taxes from Dwight & Maureen Stark on Lot 12-15, Block 97, Original Townsite, Larimore City. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to approve the applications for abatement of the 2003 & 2004 taxes from Bruce Ovind on the SE ¼, 6-151-52, Oakville Township, Grand Forks County. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Triplett, to approve the applications for abatement of the 2003 & 2004 mobile home taxes from Paul Byzewski on parcel number 21-001756, Lakeville Township, Grand Forks County. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to approve, in part, the applications for abatement of the 2004 & 2005 taxes from Raymond Hanson on Lot 8, Block 3, L & S Resubdivision, Grand Forks Township, Grand Forks County. Motion carried.

A 2005 Property Appraisal Hearing was held. No objections were noted.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the prices and set the property sale for November 15, 2005 at 2:00pm in the County Commission Room, County Office Building. Terms of sale are cash or check only. Motion carried.

Matt Glessner, Ag Park LLP, addressed the board.

The public hearing for the Application for Property Tax Incentives for New or Expanding Business for Ag Park LLP was held at the last meeting. No one from the public appeared and the public hearing was closed.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve a New or Expanding Business Exemption for Ag Park LLP, at 50%-40%-30%-20%-10% for the next five years. Motion carried with Murphy, Malm and Triplett voting aye and Kvasager and Yahna voting nay.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Yahna, to recess the County Commission meeting and convene as the Building Authority.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Malm, to give Peter Welte and Commissioner Triplett authority to act on behalf of the Building Authority to modify the Tri-Party Agreement by and among Grand Forks County Building Authority, J.P. Morgan Trust Company and U.S. Bank National Association, and forward on to James Stewart, Arntson & Stewart, P.C., as soon as possible. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to adjourn the Building Authority meeting and reconvene the County Commission meeting.

Michael Anson, Arvilla Village resident, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, to refer the noise complaint to the Planning and Zoning Commission for consideration of a noise ordinance for Grand Forks County, upon completion of legal research by the States Attorney's Office. Motion fails for lack of a second.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to request that Mr. Welte assign someone from his office to do a legal memorandum, giving an overview of what rights and limitations the County Commissioners have regarding a Countywide noise ordinance, given that we are not a Home Rule County, to be completed in the next 90 days. Motion carried.

Chairman Murphy appointed Commissioner Malm to attend a BRAC conference in late November in Baltimore, Maryland, all cost will be paid by the Office of Economic Adjustment. Chairman Murphy appointed Commissioner Yahna as an alternate if Commissioner Malm is unable to attend.

Ed Nierode was directed to write a letter to CVIC to request that their Service Agreement be returned by November 7, 2005.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to have Commissioner Triplett check on the availability of the pledged funds for the anhydrous tank locks. If the funds are available, proceed immediately with the voluntary anhydrous tank lock program and if not we would wait until funds are available through Emergency Management. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:25pm, the next meeting will be held on November 1, 2005.

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William Murphy, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor