

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

January 17, 2006 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2006 meeting, subject to corrections. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda include bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #42186 thru Check #41172 and Check #112216 thru Check #112369 in the amount of \$1,590,339.58, approval of overtime and Veterans Service Office report. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve Grand Forks County's pledges of securities as of December 31, 2005. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the designation of bank depositories for Grand Forks County. Motion carried.

Thomas Saddler, GF County Veterans Service Officer, addressed the board.

Dean Dahl, Information Systems Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the purchase of a new juke box for the Information Systems Department with more storage space for imaging and scanning in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be taken out of the Technology Fund. Motion carried.

Richard Onstad, County Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to advertise for bids on two (2) tandem axle diesel trucks with dump box hoist and snow removal equipment for the County Highway Department. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, Planning and Zoning Director, addressed the board regarding the Grand Forks County 2035 Land Use Plan.

Dustin Solberg, Grand Forks County Prairie Partners, addressed the board.

Todd Leake, Grand Forks County Farmers Union, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, for a concept approval of the Grand Forks County 2035 Land Use Plan and refer it back to the Planning and Zoning Commission for more work on the background descriptions and further document editing. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to send Commissioner Triplett to the NACO 2006 Legislative Conference, March 5-8, in Washington, DC. Motion Carried

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to approve a 2.5% salary increase effective January 1, 2006, for Garlynn Helmoski, for receiving her Class 1 City Assessor's Certificate and Amber Sieber, for receiving her Certified Tax Director's Certificate, in the Property and Records Department. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve a \$2,000.00 a year salary increase effective January 1, 2006, for Robert Wood, Property and Records Director, for receiving his Certified Tax Director's Certificate. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to accept the resignation of Frank Beaver from the Water Management Board, advertise for his replacement with a deadline of February 28, 2006, and the new appointment to be made at the March 7 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve the polling sites in Grand Forks County for 2006 elections. Motion carried.

Richard Klein, 5702 70th Ave N., Grand Forks, ND, addressed the board.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to have Mr. Welte research the constitutionality of the 4 mile limit that Grand Forks City is considering. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:53pm. The next meeting will be held on February 7, 2006.

Arvin Kvasager, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Marjorie Holweger, Deputy Auditor