

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 2, 2006 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2006 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Murphy, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda include bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #114530 thru Check #114712 in the amount of \$365,206.97, overtime and bonds for check reissue. Motion carried.

Sherry Stover, NDSU Extension Office, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve the in-kind support for the Family Nutrition Program during the granting period of October 2006 through September 2007. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to approve the application of Tom Paulson for the Plat of Paulson Subdivision consisting of 1 lot on 7.16 acres in section 36, Elm Grove Township. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to continue the current planning action procedures used in the Grand Forks County Planning and Zoning Office. Motion carried. The procedures are on file in the Grand Forks County Planning and Zoning Office.

At 4:15pm the Chairman opened the public hearing on the dangerous building located in the NW1/4 of section 5, Brenna Township. No one from the public appeared. The hearing was closed.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to forward the dangerous building complaint to the States Attorney's office and have the demolition of the subject building put out for bids. In addition, any costs incurred by the County from this action will be assessed on the property tax bill on the subject property per Subdivision 16 of the Grand Forks County Zoning Resolution. Motion carried.

The email received from Mr. Christopher D. Jordheim will be received and filed.

Jim Campbell, Emergency Management Director, gave the Grand Forks County preliminary damage assessment from the flooding in Grand Forks County during the spring of 2006. The preliminary total is \$1,325,400.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to approve a resolution to award Mayo Construction the contract for project SC-1808(057) on County Road 33 and authorize the Chairman to sign said contact. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to approve the County Township Road Mileage Certification. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the hiring of five part-time summer employees for the Highway Department. Motion carried.

No one from the Sheriff's Department was present so they were taken off the agenda.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the Traffic Safety Contact for FY 2006 pending approval by the States Attorney. Motion was withdrawn.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, informed the board that the States Attorney's office is changing over to a new States Attorney management software program. He also has had a brief discussion with the Sheriff's Department regarding setting up community service hours to clean up County roads.

Commissioner Triplett requested a three month extension on the Local Governance Committee report that was due the end of May. The Local Governance Committee will report their findings the end of August.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to modify the minutes from April 18, 2006 as follows: add Lane Magnuson, County Planner, to Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressing the board and explain what was discussed prior to the motion as follows: "to discuss the possibility that FEMA may force townships to give up their zoning authority if they do not comply with FEMA's regulations regarding zoning authority." And include in the motion "that in the event FEMA does require that townships give up their zoning authority it would be the policy..". Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to approve the purchase of an additional 25 anhydrous tank locks to be used in the voluntary anhydrous tank lock program and be paid from the General Fund miscellaneous line item. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Yahna, to appoint David O. Staveteig to an unexpired term on the Grand Forks County Weed Board with term expiring 12/31/2007. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to accept the proposal from Legend Technical Services, Inc. for \$6,777 to do an asbestos and lead paint survey on the old Grand Forks County Social Services Building. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, answered the board's questions regarding the ND Department of Health letter.

The letter dated April 28, 2006 from Shaft, Reis & Shaft, LTD regarding a request for adjustment of taxes on Minn Dak Growers, Ltd., parcel numbers 13-5301-00017-001 and 13-5301-00017-002 will be considered at a later meeting.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, reported that the auditors from the US Marshals Service completed their audit last week and their report will follow shortly.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:20pm. The next meeting will be held on May 16, 2006.

Arvin Kvasager, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, Auditor