

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

July 6, 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 June 20, 2006 meetings. Motion carried.

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

Robert Wood, Property and Records Director, reported that they are three weeks out in the Property and Records Office in returning deeds right now.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda include bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #115984 thru Check #116420 in the amount of \$356,397.18, employee status changes for Peter R. Barta, Jaime K. Olson, Jeffrey J. Rost, Jeffrey Jon Rost, Robin D. Spain and Terence R. Adams, overtime, Pledges of Securities, County Deed on parcel number 42-1604-00046-000 and Veterans Service Office Report. Motion carried.

Kathy Dunn, RN, Grand Forks Public Health Department, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to approve the Chair's signature on a letter to support a Vote and Vaccinate Program on Election Day, November 7, 2006 in proximity to the following polling sites; Larimore Senior Center, Northwood City Community Center, Kelly Elementary School and Public Works Facility. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, stated that the Inkster City Officials called him and asked if they should be at the meeting today, Mr. Welte told them not to be here today because of the on going investigation into the Inkster City Board of Equalization.

Commissioner Malm presented the two items for the Sheriff's Department.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chair's signature on a North Dakota Department of Transportation Radar Grant not to exceed \$1,500. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve \$1,000 from the miscellaneous line item in the General Fund to help fund the "National Night Out" event, upon receipt of a budget for the event from the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried with Malm, Triplett, Yahna and Murphy voting aye and Kvasager voting nay.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, present the Information Technology Department agenda item.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the proposal from Bergstrom Electric, Inc. for data cabling connection from the new Correctional Center to the Grand Forks County Highway Department for a cost of \$27,000 to be paid from the Computer Budget. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

The Grand Forks County Public Safety Answering Point Agreement will be discussed at the next meeting after it is signed by the Grand Forks City.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Grant of Easement with Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC on part of Lot 1, Block 4, Replat of Block 4 Fairgrounds Subdivision to the City of Grand Forks, North Dakota. Motion carried with Triplett, Murphy and Yahna voting aye and Malm voting nay.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to designate the Grand Forks County Correctional Center as a "Regional Correctional Center" because of the contracts we currently have in place with Larimore, Northwood, Thompson, Emerado and Grand Forks. Motion carried.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, questioned whether or not "Regional" would need to be included on the new Correctional Center ground monument sign because it has been a regional center all along and it would be acceptable if it was not included on the ground monument sign at the new Correctional Center.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to have the ground monument sign at the new correction center read "GRAND FORKS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER". Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve supplemental pay of \$800 for Linda Wagner from July 16- August 15, 2006. Motion carried.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Gary Gardner, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the Law Enforcement Fitness for Duty incentives, as follows: a \$500 bonus payable for those who meet the standard of 1.5 miles in 14:15 or less and a \$250 bonus payable for those who make a substantial improvement from the times clocked in June 2006. This is a one-time experiment incentive program for the test run in September. The bonus will be paid the next payday following the run. Motion carried with Murphy, Triplett and Malm voting aye and Yahna voting nay.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to table the letter from the Grand Forks Regional Airport Authority regarding increasing the Authority Board's membership. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to receive and file the Grand Forks City's 2007 Budget Resolution. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:38pm. The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2006.

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Arvin Kvasager, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, Auditor