

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

July 18, 2006 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2006 meeting, as corrected. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda include bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #116422 thru Check #116439 and Check #116535 thru Check #116745 in the amount of \$2,221,239.58, employee status changes for Colleen Altepeter, Dennis L. Erickson, Wayne L. Riendeau, Jennifer S. Nelson and Christopher Walsh, overtime and the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department Transport Statistics for June 2006. Motion carried.

Keith Berger, Social Services Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chairman's signature on the State of North Dakota Department of Human Services Child Support Enforcement Interagency Cooperative Agreement. Motion carried.

Allan Morken, Public Service Answering Point Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to approve the Chair's signature to extend the current Grand Forks County Public Answering Point Joint Powers Agreement with the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks City and Grand Forks County for a period of five years from today's date. Motion carried.

Jim Galloway, JLG Architects LTD, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to allow JLG Architects LTD to irrigate 5'6" of County property located between the County Office Building and the Opera House Lofts, JLG Architects LTD will assume all costs and will maintain the grass and the irrigation system. Motion carried.

Jason McCarthy, President of the Grand Forks County Employees Association, presented information to the Commission on behalf of the Association. Chairman Kvasager asked that the Association meet with the Personnel Committee on August 1st at 2:00pm.

Myron Knutson, Public Financial Management, addressed the board.

Jon Ramsey, Assurity Finance & Development LLC, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to give preliminary approval for MIDA bonds for the University of North Dakota Research Foundation Project, subject to a public hearing

on August 15, 2006. Motion carried. The bonds would be subject to a fee of 1% of the total issuance, with a maximum of \$10,000.

Dean Dahl, Information Systems Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to accept the proposal from Audiovisual for ITV's for the new Correctional Center at a cost of \$29,190 to be paid by the bond fund. Motion carried.

The Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department provided the budget for the National Night Out that was requested at the July 6, 2006 meeting.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board regarding proposed health care changes. Chairman Kvasager said that the Grand Forks County Employees Association should have input on the considered health care changes. Commissioner Triplett stated that she and Ed Nierode will be discussing this with the Association.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to approve the Grand Forks County mileage rate at .45 cents, effective 8/1/2006. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve the sale of the old Social Service Building, located at 221 South 4th Street, and direct Peter Welte and Robert Wood to bring back a resolution at the August 1st meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the Chair's signature on an Amendment to the County Agreement for Construction of the Federal Aid Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to approve the Chair's signature on a Request for Certification of Compliance with Mandates of the JJDP Act. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:41pm. The next meeting will be held on August 1, 2006.

Arvin Kvasager, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, Auditor