GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

November 6, 2007 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Knauf, to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2007 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Knauf, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status changes for Jennifer Nelson, Brent DeCent, David Brend, Jessica Arvidson and Jodi Quibell, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #127757-128020 in the amount of \$581,256.05, approval of overtime, Game of Chance Permits for Nathan Twining Elementary & Middle School PTO and Midway Public School, September Financial Report, Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department Transport Statistics and the 2008-2009 Revised Federal Aid Program. Motion carried.

Diane Blair, Base Realignment Impact Committee Coordinator, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Knauf, to approve the Regional Industrial Development Land Study Scope of Work and approve the Office of Economic Adjustment Grant Amendment. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Kirk Tingum, Attorney representing Steve and Darla Adams and the LaVonne Adams Trust, addressed the board.

Diane Blair, Base Realignment Impact Committee Coordinator, informed the board the Regional Industrial Development Land Study should be completed by mid April 2008.

Steve Adams, 901 62nd Ave SE, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Kvasager, to table discussion on the Grand Forks County Land Use Plan Amendment until May 1, 2008 when the Regional Industrial Development Land Study would be complete. Motion carried with Kvasager, Murphy and Triplett voting aye and Knauf and Malm voting nay.

Jim Stewart, Arntson & Stewart, P.C., addressed the board.

Earl Strinden, addressed the board.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Knauf, to approve the resolution to authorize the issuance of \$6,851,000 Sports Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds (UND Sports Facilities, Inc. Project). The bonds will not be subject to a fee of 1% of total issuance, with a maximum of \$10,000. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution is on file at the County Finance and Tax Office.

Deborah Hanson, 9350 Mahlum Ct, addressed the board.

Raeann Johnson, 9360 Mahlum Ct, addressed the board.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Kris Johnson, 9360 Mahlum Ct, addressed the board.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, was directed to contact Brenna Township to try and resolve the road maintenance issue for Agassiz Estates Addition and to draft a Hold Harmless Agreement for the next meeting if the issue is not resolved.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Marge Kvernen, Correctional Center Kitchen Staff, addressed the board.

Alan Nieuwsma, 8001 52nd St N, addressed the board.

Marlin Sejnoha, President CBM America's Food Service Partner, addressed the board.

Judy DelValle, Correctional Center Kitchen Supervisor, addressed the board.

Ed Miller, A'viands Food and Service Management, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to approve contracting with CBM America's Food Service Partner, Option 2, effective January 1, 2008 for the Correctional Center food service. Motion carried with Knauf, Murphy and Malm voting aye and Triplett and Kvasager voting nay.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

The Board considered the request from Griggs County regarding sending a letter of concern about the possibility of constructing a new State Penitentiary, no action was taken.

Major Mike Fonder, Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve the Chairman's signature on the Joint Powers Agreement for Purchasing for Special Operations Team Support and the \$500 annual fee. Motion carried with Kvasager, Knauf and Murphy voting aye and Triplett and Malm voting nay.

Jim Campbell, Emergency Management Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Murphy, to approve the 2007 Homeland Security Program allocations. Motion carried.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, addressed the board.

Chairman Malm appointed Commissioner Knauf, Ed Nierode and Debbie Nelson to serve on a Home Rule Charter Preliminary Study Committee and report back in a month.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Knauf, to approve the clarification regarding exempt employees to the Fitness Policy. Motion carried.

Moved by Kvasager, seconded by Knauf, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:33pm. The next meeting will be held on November 20, 2007.

	Gary Malm, Chairman Grand Forks County Commission
Debbie Nelson, County Auditor	