

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

October 6, 2009 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Murphy, Schmisek and Malm present. Commissioners Knauf and Pic absent.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2009 and September 28, 2009 meetings. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #142373 – 142635 in the amount of \$556,316.94 and August Financial Report. Motion carried.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Juvenile Detention Administrator's signature on the Simplex Grinnell Service Agreement. Motion carried.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the request by the Highway Department to receive quotes for two new pickup trucks. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the STOP Grant for a Domestic Violence Investigator for the Sheriff's Department with the 25% match requirement to come from the Sheriff's Department budget. The contract period is October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010. The Sheriff's Department will give a report in nine months indicating how the Domestic Violence Investigator has been used. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chairman's signatures on the North Dakota Department of Transportation Traffic Safety Contract for Surveillance Equipment and the Traffic Safety Contract for Alcohol Enforcement. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Special Use Permit for Dale Spicer to permit a second dwelling on a parcel during construction of a new home in the SW¼ of section 22, Brenna Township with the following conditions: the existing home shall be removed from the property by November 1, 2010 and the eight trees in the township road right-of-way shall be removed by November 1, 2010. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to allow after the fact permits provided that all of the zoning rules and regulations are met and approve the new fee schedule that includes a penalty fee for after the fact permits. The penalty fee shall be double permit fees for actions not requiring public notification and quadruple fees for actions that do require public notification. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve an 8 month extension on a junk violation on parcel number 08-3303-00002-000 until May 21, 2011. Motion carried.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board regarding the current inmate population, the Federal Transport Team, the 2009 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) Grant Award and the ND Correctional Center Administrator Association.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Chairman's signature on the Red River Basin Resolution. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the appraised value of the real estate acquired by tax deed and to set the minimum sale price at the amount of 5 years taxes due, plus special assessments, penalties, interest and costs, plus an amount equal to the estimated taxes and special assessments for the current assessment year plus \$100 and set the Property Appraisal hearing for October 20, 2009 at 4:30pm. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Chairman's signature on the Agreement between Altru Health System and Grand Forks County regarding charges for services for the Grand Forks County Correctional Center Inmates and Juvenile Detention residents. The charges will be at the prevailing Medicare rates on the date of service. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve out-of-state travel for Haley Wamstad, Assistant States Attorney, to attend a Trial Advocacy Course, December 7 – 11, 2009 in Columbia, South Carolina. Motion carried.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the Grand Forks County Pandemic Guidelines. Motion carried.

Barb Zavala, Veterans Service Administrator, gave a report on the Northern Valley Honor Flight.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the Chairman's signature on the Title V Grant Agreement. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chairman's signature on the Grand Forks Energy Alliance letters. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:07pm. The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2009.

William Murphy, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor