

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

January 19, 2010 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: employee status changes for Patrick Nelson and Sonya Lundstrom; bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check#144497-144881 in the amount of \$887,588.27; overtime; approve the following securities as pledged: Alerus Financial \$90,848,749.07, Bremer Bank \$2,250,000.00, Choice Financial Group \$3,000,000, First State Bank \$1,000,000.00, US Bank \$3,367,955.64 and Wells Fargo Bank \$16,107,507.17; approve the following depositories for Grand Forks County: Alerus Financial, Bank of North Dakota, Bremer Bank, Choice Financial Group, First State Bank, United Valley Bank, US Bank, NA and Wells Fargo Bank; Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department Transport Statistics and Game of Chance Permit for Carl Ben Eielson PTO. Motion carried

Amber Vaughn, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Murphy, to cancel the uncollectible mobile home taxes on tax years 1987 to 2004 in the amount of \$33,249.69 which is allowed under NDCC §57-22-11. Motion carried. (See attached list of canceled uncollectible mobile home taxes.)

Ms. Vaughn along with Sheriff Hill will present a plan for removing mobile homes that have delinquent mobile home taxes at the second Commission meeting in March.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve out-of-state travel for Bret Burkholder to attend an American Jail Association Conference in Portland, Oregon, May 23 -27, 2010. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the purchase of a snow blower for the Correctional Center at a cost of \$1,195. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to increase the credit limit from \$1,500 to \$3,000 on the Visa credit cards for Linda Wagner and Bret Burkholder. Motion carried

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the installation of seven additional cameras at the Correctional Center at a cost not to exceed \$9,000. Motion carried.

Mr. Burkholder presented a report to the board regarding the Correctional Center. The report will be discussed at the next meeting.

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

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Murphy, to accept the December, 2009 financial report. Motion carried.

Chair Knauf appointed Ed Nierode to review the vendors that each department is using for their copiers and also their office supplies to see if it would be cost effective to consolidate purchasing.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to approve the Chair's signature on Form 1096 Annual Summary and Transmittal of US Information Returns. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:57pm. The next meeting will be held on February 2, 2010.

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Diane Knauf, Chair  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor