

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

July 6, 2010 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2010 Grand Forks County Commission meeting and Board of Equalization and the minutes of the Special Commission meeting on June 24, 2010. Motion carried.

The order of agenda was approved.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check#147931-148410 in the amount of \$866,338.83; employee status changes for Heather Stauss, Sean Kasson, Tanya Barron, Mark Frovarp, Mike Lee and Kerri Lopez; overtime and approval of Pledges of Security. Motion carried.

Major Rost, Sheriff's Department, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to accept the quote from Rydell Chevrolet and purchase three program vehicles at a price of \$48,550 for the Sheriff's Department. The proceeds from the Sale of Assets line item in the General Fund will offset the expense. Motion carried.

Dr. Mary Ann Sens, County Coroner, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to designate Dr. Mary Ann Sens as an advisory member to an Interagency Working Group of the Subcommittee on Forensic Science, National Science and Technology Council. Motion carried.

Earl Haugen, Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Director, addressed the board.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the request to reclassify a one mile segment of Grand Forks Highway #17 as a County Major Collector (CMC). This one mile segment is located between 62nd Ave. S and 12th Ave NE. Motion carried.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board.

Kevin Pierce, 6473 East Lake Dr, Grand Forks, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Schmisek, to approve Grand Forks Township moving forward with the Hazard Mitigation Program Grant to flood proof 62nd Avenue South by constructing a 200' bridge at an estimated cost of \$800,000. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to recess the board and convene as the Board of Equalization. Motion carried. It was 4:39pm.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Malm, to reconvene the County Commission Board. Motion carried. It was 4:41pm.

At 4:41pm Chair Knauf opened the public hearing for the BVI, LLC Project Recovery Zone Facility Bonds. No one from the public appeared. The hearing was closed.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to approve the resolution to authorize the issuance of up to \$5,000,000 Recovery Zone Facility Revenue Bonds for the BVI, LLC Project under chapter 40-57 NDCC and authorize the preparation of the necessary documents. Motion carried.

Chair Knauf opened the public hearing for the ICON-KMP, LLC Project Recovery Zone Facility Bonds. No one from the public appeared. The hearing was closed.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to approve the resolution to authorize the issuance of up to \$2,250,000 Recovery Zone Facility Revenue Bonds for the ICON-KMP, LLC Project under chapter 40-57 NDCC and authorize the preparation of the necessary documents. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to accept the May 2010 financial report. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Commissioner Schmisek said that all job descriptions for Department Heads and the Director of Administration should be reviewed and evaluations should be done for those individuals. Also an organizational chart should be completed for Grand Forks County. The organization chart is needed to clarify lines of authority.

The Finance Committee will meet the week of August 9, 2010.

Commissioner Malm and Pic will represent Grand Forks County at the Thompson Bridge dedication.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Murphy, to cancel the taxes on parcel number 49-0001-00061-001 and 49-0001-00087-000 and sell them to Northwood City for \$25.00 each, contingent upon Northwood City waiving the Northwood City Specials on these properties. Motion carried.

Brian Osowski, Osowski Business Consulting, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to waive any unused Recovery Zone Bond allocation to the State by October 1, 2010. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schmisek said he would be interested in serving on the Resolutions and/or the Legislative Committee of the North Dakota County Commission Association (NDCCA). Debbie Nelson will notify Dan Stewart, NDCCA President.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:22pm. The next meeting will be held on July 20, 2010.

Diane Knauf, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor