

## GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

March 6, 2012 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the order of the agenda with Planning and Zoning moving to item number 6. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #158910-159070 in the amount of \$576,061.17 and purchasing card charges of \$2,050.30; employee status changes for Alison Morris, Cody Paul Ertelt, Susan Campbell, Sandi Effhauser, Mary Reyerson and Jill Grotluschen; overtime; game of chance permits for the National Wild Turkey Federation and Emerado School District #127 PTO; out-of-state travel for Social Services; and Forest Stewardship Applications. Motion carried.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve an exception to the Fitness Policy for Grand Forks County Law Enforcement Employees and allow Sheriff's Deputy Nicole Dvorak to use the Tundra Physical Fitness Center and Sheriff's Deputy Delicia Glaze to use Ironworks Gym, for their two 30 minute workout sessions per week. Motion carried.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to reconsider and approve the Special Use Permit of Tyson Bohlman with the following conditions: 1) The material stockpiles shall be kept in accordance with the site plan, (Exhibit "A"). 2) Material stockpiles shall be screened from County Road 5, and be no higher than the display bins. 3) The applicant shall provide the FAA findings from Form 7460 prior to receiving a building permit. 4) The proposed build shall be constructed from non-reflective materials. 5) The storage/display of materials that may become a wildlife attractant shall be prohibited. 6) No radio or electronic signage shall be allowed on site. Motion carried.

Russell P. Love, Attorney representing Balfour Beatty Communities, addressed the board regarding an ad valorem tax exemption for a Grand Forks Air Force Base Housing Project. Tax Equalization Director Amber Gudajtes and State Attorney Peter Welte will bring back a recommendation at the next meeting.

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

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to open the Election Ballot Printing bids. Motion carried.

Bids received:

	Maximum cost per ballot
The Printers, Bismarck, ND	\$0.225
Election Systems & Software, Inc., Omaha, NE	\$0.26

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to accept the low bid from The Printers. Motion carried.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to allow Chairman Schmisek and Ed Nierode to offer the Social Service Director position to the applicant scoring the highest during the interview process. The offer, according to the Grand Forks County Compensation Policy can be up to a step six, \$76,476, without Commission approval. Motion carried.

The proposed date for the interviews for the Veterans Service Officer will be on April 5, 2012. Debbie Nelson was asked to contact Commissioners Schmisek and Knauf to confirm the date will work for them. The ND Veterans Service Officer, Lonnie Wangen, will also be participating in the interview process.

Peter Welte, State Attorney, addressed the board regarding how to proceed with the hiring of the Public Administrator position. Mr. Welte will invite Judge Clapp and Dennis Herbeck to the March 20, 2012 meeting to discuss this process.

Commissioner Malm recognized all employees that presented at the Township Officers Meeting on February 27, 2012, Peter Welte, Amber Gudajtes, Richard Onstad and Debbie Nelson, for a job well done. He also recognized Commission Pic.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:04pm. The next meeting will be held on March 20, 2012.

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John Schmisek, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor