

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 20, 2014 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Murphy, Knauf, Malm, Schmisek and Pic present. Commissioner Pic joined the meeting at 4:06pm.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2014 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Rost introduced Tim Purdon, US Attorney and First Assistant US Attorney Chris Meyers.

First Assistant US Attorney Chris Meyers presented an award to Grand Forks Sheriff's Investigator Joel Lloyd, recognizing his efforts in the investigation and arrest of individuals involved in a synthetic drug case that caused the deaths of two area youths.

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

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Knauf, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #2790 thru Check #3079 in the amount of \$536,497.49; purchasing card transactions in the amount of \$31,167.50; employee status changes for Jan Fetsch, Jessica K. Hartman, Katie Gray, Anthony Probasco, Megan Kvasager, Ashley Champ and Jared Wall; approval of overtime; Game of Chance Permit for Reynolds Lutheran Church WELCA; and Grand Forks County Maintenance Agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

Jon Arnston, Arntson Stewart Wegner PC, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to approve the resolution authorizing the issuance of Grand Forks County Building Authority, Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Grand Forks County, North Dakota, General Obligation) and the preparation of necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Murphy recessed the Grand Forks County Commission Meeting and convened the Grand Forks County Building Authority. It was 4:16pm.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the resolution providing for the public sale of \$3,430,000 Grand Forks County Building Authority, Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Grand Forks County, North Dakota, General Obligation). Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Murphy adjourned the Grand Forks County Building Authority and reconvened the Grand Forks County Commission. It was 4:17pm.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to approve the notice of bond sale for June 17, 2014 on the \$3,430,000 Grand Forks County Building Authority Lease Revenue

Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Grand Forks County, North Dakota, General Obligation).
Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Rost addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Knauf, to allow the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department, along with the Grand Forks Police Department, to submit an application for the FY2014 Justice Assistance Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the North Dakota Boat Safety Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Gudajtes, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Schmisek, to reduce the PIs in all townships in the MLRA 55A area by 20%. Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Malm, to allow Commissioner Pic to recuse herself from voting on the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Main motion carried with Murphy, Knauf, Malm and Schmisek voting aye.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to approve the Soil Committee Member alternates as follows: Chris Griffin for Frank Matejcek, Paul Bernardy for Jeff Trosen, Bob Landman for Alan Peterson, Beau Bateman for David Burkland, and Terry Stadstad for Terry Stromsodt. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Knauf, to approve bidding digitizing the noncropland in Grand Forks County. Motion carried unanimously.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to approve the Plat of Gunderson Subdivision in section 30, Agnes Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve a zoning ordinance amendment to add in a Religious Colony Zoning District. Motion carried unanimously.

Javin Bedard, Public Health Environmental Health Supervisor, addressed the board.

Mitchell Roy, 8274 17th Ave South, addressed the board.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Knauf, to allow Mr. Roy until August 15, 2014 to remove the junk from property located at 8274 17th Ave South. Motion carried unanimously.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to approve a market study for the 2015 budget year at an approximate cost of \$3,500 to be complete by August 30, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Mr. Welte will contact the owner regarding the asking price of the adjacent lot next to the Courthouse parking lot and bring back the price at the June 3, 2014 Commission meeting.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Malm, to designate Nick West as the FEMA Applicant Agent. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Schmisek, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:09pm. The next meeting will be held on June 3, 2014.

William Murphy, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor