

GRAND FORKS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

July 1, 2014

The board met as provided by NDCC section 57-12-01 with Commissioners Murphy, Knauf, Malm and Pic present. Commissioner Pic participated by telephone.

Amber Gudajtes, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

The Office of State Tax Commissioner has granted an extension for filing the 2014 Abstract of Assessments to July 21, 2014.

Commissioner Pic recued herself from the discussion and vote on the use of modifiers due to a conflict of interest.

Sue Leake, Fairfield Township, expressed concerns about not using modifiers for the 2014 agricultural values.

Paul Bernardy, Soils Committee member, believes modifiers should be used, but not until they can be applied properly. The Soils Committee recommends not applying them for 2014 and wait until they can be properly applied for 2015.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Knauf, to deny the use of modifiers for the 2014 agricultural values. Motion carried with Murphy, Knauf and Malm voting aye.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Knauf, to deny all modifier appeals, see attached parcel list. Motion carried with Murphy, Knauf and Malm voting aye.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Malm, to approve all non-cropland appeals based on MVP Consulting's non-cropland layer and Township Board revisions, see attached parcel list. Motion carried with Murphy, Knauf and Malm voting aye.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Knauf, to deny all other appeals to reduce the 2014 agricultural values, see attached list. Motion carried with Murphy, Knauf and Malm voting aye.

The County Board of Equalization will recess until July 15, 2014.

William Murphy, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor