

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

February 2, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Malm, Pic, Falck, Engen and Knauf present.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Pic, to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to approve the order of the agenda, adding Ryan Riesinger, Grand Forks Regional Airport Authority Executive Director as number 5 on the agenda and remove the Emergency Management Director. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #12713-12869 in the amount of \$644,715.34; employee status changes for Roberta Bursheim, Jonathon Kriegh, David James Wyman, Gregory A. Sampson, Jackie J. Johnson and Tyler Jeffrey Bakken; overtime; and game of chance permit for Midway Public School. Motion carried unanimously.

Ryan Riesinger, Grand Forks Regional Airport Authority Executive Director, introduced himself to the board.

Debbie Swanson, Grand Forks Public Health Director, gave an update on the Social Detox Facility. Grand Forks City approved hiring a Grand Forks City employee to operate the facility, which will be included in the Grand Forks Public Health Department budget. The budget is partially funded by Grand Forks County.

Tom Ford, Government Relations Coordinator, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to cost share with Grand Forks City and the Chamber of Grand Forks/East Grand Forks, the North Dakota Legislative Reception for the North Dakota National Guard in Washington, DC on March 15, 2016. The approximate cost of \$670 will come from the BRIC/EUL budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Dean Dahl, Information Technology Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Pic, to approve the \$15,614.75 change order on the Correctional Center Surveillance project with Accurate Controls. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Rost addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to approve the Chair's signature on the Special Operations Group Joint Powers Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Pic, to send a letter of appreciation to the River Cities Speedway on behalf of the Grand Forks County Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, gave an update on recruitment.

Nick West, County Engineer, addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to approve the Construction and Maintenance Agreements with the ND Department of Transportation on SC-1802(057) and SC-1824(054). Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. West will be attending the Upper Forest River Watershed meeting on February 18, 2016 at the Minto Community Center.

Chairman Malm appointed Commissioners Engen and Knauf, along with Nick West, to review the RFPs received for Construction Engineering Services received by the Highway Department.

Township Maintenance calculations will be discussed at the next meeting.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, gave the December 2015 financial report.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to notify Northeast Human Services of the lease rate increase from \$13.15 to \$14.34 on July 1, 2017. Motion carried unanimously

David Jones, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to approve out-of-state travel for Carmell Mattison, Assistant States Attorney, to attend the National High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Conference and Awards Banquet on February 18, 2016 in Washington, DC. The Grand Forks Drug Task Force will be honored at the banquet. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Knauf, to change the signage in the County Office Building to reflect the current occupants and to add an "Employees Only" sign to the sixth floor breakroom. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the NDDOT Construction and Maintenance Agreement for the Northwood Public School's Transportation Alternative Program, contingent on removing the requirement under Part III, number 2, for the County to provide maintenance; and clarifying the County is not liable for the local match. Motion was withdrawn.

A table will be reserved for the 14th Annual Mayor's State of the City Address and Luncheon on February 24, 2016 at the Alerus Center.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:57pm. The next meeting will be held on February 16, 2016.

Gary Malm, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor