

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

April 19, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Pic, to approve the order of the agenda, adding Lou Lombardi, Veterans Services Officer, after item number nine. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #13788-14045 in the amount of \$888,719.37 and purchasing card transactions in the amount of \$27,116.75; employee status changes for Ashley Hinds, Patricia Castro, Amanda O'Keefe, Ashley MacNaughton, Alice Thielges, David Nordel, Rai Nerhus, Sam Mattson, Mills Rhonemus, Amanda Walkowiak, Emilee Woinarowicz, Robert Frasier, Andrew Park and Austin Lien; Gaming Site Authorization for Ashley Lions Club; and Township Assessing Agreements for Allendale and Lakeville Townships. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Stewart, Arntson Stewart, Wegner, P.C., addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to give preliminary approval for MIDA bonds for the Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation Project, in an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000, subject to a public hearing on May 17, 2016. Motion carried unanimously. Grand Forks County assumes no financial responsibility. The bonds would be subject to a fee of 1% of total issuance, with a maximum of \$10,000.

Keith Lund, Vice President GF Region Economic Development Corporation, gave an update on the GF Region Economic Development Corporation.

Tom Ford, Government Relations Coordinator, addressed the board, along with Tom Swoyer and Brad Gerken, Grand Sky Development Company, participated via telephone.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Knauf, to accept the lowest and best bid from Opp Construction for \$1,624,074.73 for a Taxiway and Apron Pavement Repair project for Grand Sky, to be paid with an Enhanced Use Lease Grant from the 2015 ND Legislative Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve a Law Enforcement Service Contract between Grand Forks County and Grand Sky Management Company, LLC for the performance of law enforcement functions within the boundaries and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the Grand Sky Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to accept the bids from Reliance Telephone, to provide equipment and software throughout GF County Correctional Center which would allow texting communications, and TurnKey Corrections, for the purpose of providing onsite and offsite video

visitation, as well as, secure e-mail services via the installation of new kiosks throughout the entire facility. Mr. Burkholder will be allowed to sign the contracts contingent upon approval of the States Attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Lou Lombardi, Veterans Services Officer, said Derick Roach is interesting in renting/leasing the County Office building kitchen. Mr. Roach was asked to bring back a proposal for the Commission to consider.

Commissioner Knauf will contact Kate Kenna, Northeast Human Services Director, regarding security in the County Office Building. The Public Safety and Infrastructure Committee will meet, after Commission Knauf has met with Ms. Kenna, for further discussion regarding security in the County Office Building.

David Jones, States Attorney, informed the board regarding a community forum, Deadly Dose, The Realities of Fentanyl and Drug Over Dose in our Community, on May 10, 2016 at 6:30pm at the Empire Arts Center.

Nick West, County Engineer, addressed the board regarding the proposed structure replacement along Grand Forks County Highway 5.

Mr. Young, South Forks Connection Coalition, passed out information regarding the South Forks Connection Coalition. This will be placed on the May 3, 2016 Commission Meeting.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:38pm. The next meeting will be held on May 3, 2016 at 4:00pm.

Gary Malm, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor