

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

October 4, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.

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

The Chair called for any additions or corrections to the September 20, 2016 minutes, hearing none the minutes were approved as presented.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to approve the order of the agenda, adding Sheriff Rost after item number 9. Motion carried unanimously.

The Chair called for any changes to the consent agenda, hearing none the consent agenda was approved. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #16365-16555 in the amount of \$3,710,907.45; employee status change for Jakee Stoltz; overtime; bond for check reissue; August Financial Report; and County Deed on parcel number 15-5301-00006-000.

Scot Hoeper, Social Services Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to out-of-state travel for Alicia Schumacher to attend a conference in Charleston, South Carolina on October 18 -21, 2016 and approve out-of-state travel for Rachel Behm, Traci VanBeek and Alana Johnston to attend a conference in Orlando, Florida on October 12-14, 2016. All expenses will be paid by CVIC. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve a temporary position for the Child Protection Department, contingent upon approval by the ND Department of Human Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hoeper invited the board to attend a Regional Social Services Director meeting in Ramsey County on November 2, 2016.

Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Knauf, to adjust the pay scale to 3% separation between steps, beginning at step seven and moving outward, effective 10/1/2016. The annual cost would be approximately \$12,000. The pay scale will be adjusted in this manner for all future cost-of-living increases. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Thiel said the health insurance increase for 2017 will be 10.8%. She will make a recommendation regarding the proposed health insurance plan at the next meeting.

The Grand Forks County parking ramp will be discussed at the next meeting.

Earl Haugen, Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Director, presented the Interstate 29 Traffic Operations Study.

Nick West, County Engineer, gave an update on the landslide between the road and the Turtle River along County Road 33, west of Manvel City.

David Jones, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Sheriff Rost addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to approve out-of-state travel for Lieutenant BJ Maxson to travel to San Diego, California to receive the International Association of Chiefs of Police/ Bell Helicopter Textron Excellence in Law Enforcement Aviation Award in the Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems Category awarded to the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department. Motion carried unanimously.

The Regional Child Support Lease will be discussed at the next meeting.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:58pm. The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2016 at 4:00pm.

Gary Malm, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor