

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 4, 2021 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Rost, seconded by Falck, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 Commission Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to approve the order of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Engen, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, check #38172 - Aflac Group- \$467.96, 38173 - Combined Insurance Co of America- \$795.18, 38174 - Fidelity Security Life- \$3413.17, 38175 - Fraternal Order of Police- \$106, 38176 - Ingenuity Rm, LLC- \$271.87, 38177 - Medico Life and Health Insurance Co- \$108, 38178 - ND F.O.P.- \$600, 38179 - Rodenburg Law Firm-Fargo- \$156.53, 38180 - US Able Life- \$49.08, 38181 - City of Emerado (Hwy)- \$78.94, 38182 - City of Larimore (Hwy)- \$64.24, 38183 - City of Northwood (Hwy)- \$80.98, 38184 - City of Thompson (Hwy)- \$63.91, 38185 - 1101 Dental Pllc- \$2413, 38186 - Abbco Tools LLC- \$249.99, 38187 - Acquisign LLC- \$500, 38188 - Advance Auto Parts- \$66.15, 38189 - All Season's Garden Center- \$85, 38190 - Altru Clinic-Main- \$52, 38191 - Altru Health System (978)- \$2228.2, 38192 - Anderson Donna- \$102.51, 38193 - Aramark.- \$528.5, 38194 - Bell Insurance- \$50, 38195 - C & R Laundry- \$101, 38196 - CHS Ag Services- \$3664, 38197 - Cima Companies Inc- \$511.65, 38198 - City of Grand Forks-Fire Dept- \$630.87, 38199 - Coast To Coast Computer Products- \$149.78, 38200 - Dacotah Paper Co- \$252.47, 38201 - Deere Credit Inc- \$26462.77, 38202 - Development Homes- \$362.5, 38203 - DTEN Inc- \$4579, 38204 - Ecolab Pest Elimination Div- \$247.1, 38205 - Empowered Solutions LLC- \$97.92, 38206 - Engkvist Gannon- \$25, 38207 - First Collections Inc- \$43.14, 38208 - Force America- \$575.35, 38209 - GF County Crop Improvement Association- \$600, 38210 - GF Public Health Department- \$17237.13, 38211 - GF Welding & Machine- \$335.82, 38212 - Grafix Shoppe- \$46, 38213 - Gregory J Norman Funeral Home- \$1000, 38214 - Gudajtes Amber- \$40.88, 38215 - Holm, Jessica Ann- \$409.25, 38216 - Kennelly Business Law- \$3545.3, 38217 - KLJ- \$343.84, 38218 - Knutson Carrie- \$46.48, 38219 - Kutak Rock Llp- \$807.5, 38220 - Liberty Business Systems-Fargo- \$584.65, 38221 - Lithia of Grand Forks- \$1247.12, 38222 - Lowe's- \$102.45, 38223 - Manvel Oil Coop- \$1001.98, 38224 - Marco - Mn- \$58.5, 38225 - Marco Technologies LLC- \$932.19, 38226 - Menards- \$583.53, 38227 - Midcontinent Communications- \$376.49, 38228 - ND Assoc of Counties (NDACO)- \$35, 38229 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$214, 38230 - NDSU Ext Serv-Dept 3110- \$23, 38231 - NDSU Ext Serv- Steele County- \$25, 38232 - Nelco First Aid Inc- \$139.9, 38233 - O'Reilly Auto Parts- \$314.32, 38234 - Ottertail Power Co-Devils Lake- \$470.65, 38235 - Polk County Sheriff- \$75.16, 38236 - Praxair- \$201.33, 38237 - Puklich Chevrolet Inc- \$110940, 38238 - Quadient Leasing USA, Inc- \$185.85, 38239 - RBB Electric Inc- \$1625, 38240 - Reliance Telephone Systems Inc- \$1578, 38241 - Schmidt & Associates- \$80, 38242 - Social Security Administration_ 2949- \$5606, 38243 - Staples Business Credit- \$288.69, 38244 - Thur-O-Clean- \$485, 38245 - Topcon Positioning Systems Inc- \$504, 38246 - Twp of Fairfield Clk/Treas- \$7812.18, 38247 - Twp of Mekinock Clerk- \$6926.02, 38248 - UND Office of Safety- \$2638.03, 38249 - USPS-Poc- \$1500, 38250 - Verizon Wireless- \$138.4, 38251 - Wilebski, Cassandra K - \$64.97, and ACH payments to - Acme Electric/Tool Crib of Nor - \$228.12, - Advanced Business Methods - \$146.55, - Allstate Peterbilt - \$59.98, - Allstream - \$64.81, - Amundson Funeral Home - \$2300, - Benefit Extras Inc - \$1203.25, - Business Essentials - \$280.7, - Butler Machinery Company - \$876.72, - Cintas -

\$82.54, - Cole Paper Inc. - \$4189.27, - Comfort Keepers - \$181.74, - Dietzler Electric LLC - \$786.34, - Docu Shred Inc - \$155.33, - Electro Watchman Inc - \$655.3, - Embrace Pharmacy Inc. - \$9643.14, - Express Auto Glass - \$788, - GF Fire Equipment Company - \$91.35, - Global Safety Network - \$280.25, - Greg's Laundry Equip Service - \$1738.96, - Guardian Rfid - \$3673, - Home of Economy - \$102.53, - Interstate Power Systems Inc - \$5.6, - Interstate Towing & Recovery - \$1948.81, - Keith's Security World - \$221, - Northdale Oil - \$20319.78, - Phoenix Supply - \$1305.77, - RDO Trust Account #80-5800 - \$357.29, - Royal Tire Inc - \$15.19, - Summit Food Services LLC - \$14491.33, - Telelanguage Inc - \$7.45, - Toshiba Business Solutions - \$26.55, - Valley Truck - \$56.24, - Xcel Energy - Mpls - \$31230.96 and purchasing card transactions in the amount of \$23,568.28; employee status changes for Robin Johansen, Alec Hesse, Pat Rosinski, Sarah Everett, Billy Loseni and Jacqueline N. Scott; overtime; and Grand Forks County Township/City Road Maintenance Agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

Jordan Adams, Beehive Bar, addressed the board regarding having a street dance.

Sheriff Schneider said the Sheriff's Office must approve events that serve alcohol anywhere in Grand Forks County, per NDCC. Mr. Adams has not completed all the required information on the application. Therefore, this item will be held until May 18, 2021 Commission Meeting.

Debbie Swanson, Public Health Director, gave a COVID-19 update.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Rost, to amend the grant period, originally approved October 6, 2020 and extend the employment period to May 2022, with no additional cost, to add a full-time nurse to work in the medical office at the GF County Correctional Center to respond to the increased workload because of COVID-19. Coronavirus Relief Funds will be used to cover the additional cost of \$82,450. Motion carried unanimously.

Kari Goelz, Emergency Management Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Engen, to designate Gannon Engkvist, Grand Forks County Emergency Management, the authority to enter into legal agreements on behalf of Grand Forks County for the purpose of a developer agreement and establishing a Grand Forks County Emergency Preparedness application for the Apple platform. Motion carried unanimously.

Becky Ault, Public Safety Answering Point Director, gave the 2020 Annual Report.

Nick West, County Engineer, addressed the board.

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Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to authorize Mr. West to get two appraisals on the property located at 1548 30th Ave NE, Manvel as required by the FEMA Flood Buyout Program at a cost not to exceed \$6,000. The cost will be paid from cash carryforward in the general fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Rost, to approve adopting a temporary increase in dependent care flexible spending as outlined by the American Recovery Plan Act, effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to approve adopting the IRS dollar limits for employee contributions to both dependent care and medical flexible spending, effective January 1, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

The Military Installation Readiness Grant will be discussed at the May 18, 2021 Commission Meeting.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Falck, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:28pm. The next meeting will be held on May 18, 2021 at 4:00pm.

Cynthia Pic, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor