

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 3, 2022 – 4:00 P.M.

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

Moved by Rost, seconded by Knauf, to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve the order of the agenda, adding the County Engineer after item 8. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Rost, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, check #41009 - Aflac Group- \$331.4, 41010 - Combined Insurance Co of America- \$639.02, 41011 - DCI Credit Service Inc- \$351.99, 41012 - Florida State Disbursement Unit- \$163.39, 41013 - Fraternal Order of Police- \$114, 41014 - Ingenuity Rm, LLC- \$195.46, 41015 - Medico Life and Health Insurance Co- \$106, 41016 - Messerli & Kramer- \$351.99, 41017 - ND F.O.P.- \$700, 41018 - Rodenburg Law Firm-Fargo- \$156.53, 41019 - Sd Child Support- \$185, 41020 - US Able Life- \$27, 41021 - City of Larimore (Hwy)- \$71.73, 41022 - 1101 Dental Pllc- \$805, 41023 - 3-D Specialties- \$54.89, 41024 - Abcco Tools LLC- \$1290.95, 41025 - Accurate Controls- \$4923, 41026 - Advanced Engineering & Environmental Ser- \$4620, 41027 - Alerus Center- \$12732.69, 41028 - All Season's Garden Center- \$660, 41029 - Altru Clinic-Main- \$1383.5, 41030 - Anderson Dorinda- \$140.99, 41031 - Anderson, Kari J- \$945, 41032 - Asleson Alisha- \$281.46, 41033 - At & T Mobility- \$95, 41034 - Axon Enterprise Inc- \$3797.84, 41035 - Baseview Petroleum Inc- \$4630, 41036 - Cameron, Meigan- \$460.47, 41037 - Canon Financial Services- \$39.29, 41038 - City of Grand Forks-Fire Dept- \$57, 41039 - City of Grand Forks-Water- \$28.31, 41040 - Connect Interiors LLC- \$1536.74, 41041 - Deere Credit Inc- \$26462.77, 41042 - Election Systems & Software In- \$104.52, 41043 - Empowered Solutions LLC- \$141.6, 41044 - Enterprise Rent-A -Car- \$485.8, 41045 - Fargo Municipal Court- \$400, 41046 - Galbraith Francis M- \$28, 41047 - GF Cnty Treasurer- \$12026.06, 41048 - GF Public Health Department- \$75210.27, 41049 - GF Welding & Machine- \$372.54, 41050 - Grand Sky Construction Company LLC- \$164764.4, 41051 - Gregory J Norman Funeral Home- \$2300, 41052 - Gudajtes Amber- \$26.33, 41053 - Hammen Linda- \$330, 41054 - Heitmann Jan- \$120, 41055 - Helgeson Theresa Anne- \$135.8, 41056 - Icon Architectural Group- \$45966.5, 41057 - Indepth Inspections- \$2291.67, 41058 - Industrial Builders Inc- \$338554.72, 41059 - Intab LLC- \$549.43, 41060 - Intoximeters- \$140, 41061 - Jeffrey Donohoe Associates, LLC- \$19000, 41062 - Johnson Controls Fire Protection Lp- \$23441.36, 41063 - Kendall, Laura- \$185.37, 41064 - Knutson, Jennifer- \$485.04, 41065 - Krogfoss Sarah- \$127.02, 41066 - Kronos- \$542.49, 41067 - Laboratory Corporation of America Holdin- \$59.5, 41068 - Lipp Carlson & Assoc Ltd- \$150, 41069 - Lombardi Lou- \$121.6, 41070 - Lovestar, Jim- \$487.38, 41071 - Lunseth Plumbing & Heating- \$123.7, 41072 - Manvel Oil Coop- \$7914.2, 41073 - Marco Technologies LLC- \$1939.82, 41074 - Marcotte, Michael C - \$63, 41075 - McKesson Medical Surgical- \$172.9, 41076 - Melinda Myers LLC- \$1306.23, 41077 - Menards- \$44.47, 41078 - Midcontinent Communications- 4446.04, 41079 - Mutch Oil Co- \$2791.27, 41080 - Nan, Yehong- \$50, 41081 - ND Dept of Health/Microbiology- \$90, 41082 - ND DHS Finance Dept- \$1479, 41083 - ND State Tax Commissioner- \$20.4, 41084 - NDSU Ext Serv-Dept 3110- \$45, 41085 - NDSU Veterinary Diagnostic Lab- \$185, 41086 - Nelco First Aid Inc- \$118.35, 41087 - Nelson County Clerk of Court- \$100, 41088 - Nelson International- \$365.01, 41089 - Network Center, Inc- \$41948.86, 41090 - Nodak Electric Coop- \$539, 41091 - O'Reilly Auto Parts- \$189.72, 41092 - O'Reilly Auto Parts #3280-Grand Forks- \$31.98, 41093 - Path North Dakota Inc- \$200, 41094 - Peterson Medical

Clinics LLC- \$50, 41095 - Polk County Sheriff- \$55, 41096 - Public Financial Mgmt Inc- \$1500, 41097 - Quadient Leasing USA, Inc- \$205.26, 41098 - RDO Truck Center- \$288.06, 41099 - Red River Refridgeration- \$359.88, 41100 - Skip's Petroleum- \$3647.96, 41101 - Smette Shellie- \$25.74, 41102 - Streichers- \$196.99, 41103 - Swanson & Warcup, Ltd- \$4100, 41104 - Taggart, Paige E.- \$450, 41105 - Tech Check, LLC- \$508, 41106 - Thiel Michele- \$327.6, 41107 - Thur-O-Clean- \$485, 41108 - Toshiba America Business Solutions- \$145.06, 41109 - Toys For Trucks- \$497.2, 41110 - Traill County Sheriff- \$2500, 41111 - Twp of Rye Clk/Treas- \$11724.76, 41112 - University of Minnesota Crookston- \$438, 41113 - Vanyo Chuck- \$425, 41114 - Verizon Wireless - Newark Nj- \$137.5, 41115 - Vonasek, Adam J- \$100, 41116 - Walla James- \$208.92, 41117 - Weivoda Carpet Girl Inc- \$56852.54, 41118 - Ye Ol Painters Ltd- \$12450, 41119 - Yorhom Medical Essentials- \$6.12 ACH payment to - Acme Electric/Tool Crib of Nor - \$299, - Allstate Peterbilt - \$43.86, - Allstream - \$64.65, - Amundson Funeral Home - \$4600, - Anderson Brothers Body Shop LLC - \$4205.27, - Balco Uniform Co - \$21.5, - Batteries Plus Bulbs - \$49.68, - Benefit Extras Inc - \$1139, - Business Essentials - \$43.69, - Century Electric Inc. - \$387.06, - Cintas - \$200, - Cole Paper Inc. - \$2964.53, - Custom Stripes Inc - \$320, - Dennie's Delivery Inc - \$100, - Docu Shred Inc - \$41.88, - Galls An Aramark Company - \$288.87, - GF County Historical Society - \$300, - Global Safety Network - \$137, - Gowan Construction - \$3284.68, - Guardian RFID - \$168, - Home of Economy - \$13.99, - Interstate Power Systems Inc - \$5345.24, - Ironhide Equipment Inc - \$567.12, - Marco Technologies LLC - Pa - \$86.42, - Polk County DAC - \$95.08, - RDO Trust Account #80-5800 - \$1377.22, - Reliance Telephone Systems Inc - \$110, - Royal Tire Inc - \$5177.56, - Seachange Print Innovations - \$19518, - Stein's Inc. - \$1039.48, - Stones Mobile Radio Inc - \$17935.03, - Summit Food Services LLC - \$15532.66, - UND Forensic Pathology - \$6662.5, - Xcel Energy - Mpls - \$657.06; employee status changes for Paula Solheim, Justine Bella, Neil Hickman, Taya McElrath, Sandra Reynoso, Jacob Marin, James Thompson, Christopher Lindgren Skjerven and Grace Gutterud; and overtime. Motion carried unanimously.

Lauralee Tupa, CEO and Rachael Murphy, COO from Circle of Friends Animal Shelter, addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Rost, to approve the TNR (Trap, Neuter & Return) Program used by the Circle of Friends Animal Shelter as a solution to control the feral, stray & community cat population within Grand Forks County. Motion carried unanimously.

Thomas Swoyer, Jr, President and Partner, Grand Sky Development Company, LLC addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve \$1,766,667 from the 21-23.036 Grand Forks Enhanced Use Lease Development Grant as follows: \$1,500,000 to Thales, USA, the sole source provider based on the justification outlined in Mr. Swoyer's memo and presentation to the Board, of a custom-built Beyond Visual Line-of-Sight (BVLOS) system, \$106,667 L3 Harris to keep our current BVLOS system up to date through the end of the calendar year and a \$160,000 contingency fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve \$351,055 from the 21-23.036 Grand Forks Enhanced Use Lease Development Grant as follows: \$219,055 to Skydio, Inc, the sole source provider based on the justification outlined in Mr. Swoyer's memo and presentation to the Board of a new Skydio X2-D small Unmanned Aircraft System including spare parts and technical support, up to \$100,000 to the University of North Dakota for engineering support and development of Artificial Intelligence systems and a \$32,000 contingency fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Rost, to approve \$718,700 from the 21-23.036 Grand Forks Enhanced Use Lease Development Grant as follows: \$247,700 to TruWeather Solutions, the sole source provider based on the justification outlined in Mr. Swoyer's memo and presentation to the Board, of a new Grand Sky weather modeling and forecasting system, \$406,000 to Meteomatics, the sole source provider, of the Meteodrone and Meteobase system and a \$65,000 contingency fund. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Commissioner Knauf addressed the board on behalf of the Emergency Manager.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Engen, to approve the quote from Norby's Work Perks for \$3,164 for a desk for Emergency Management with the Chair's signature to be paid with ARPA funds. Motion carried unanimously. The ARPA Expenditure Category will be 7.1.

Nick West, County Engineer, gave an update on the flooding in Grand Forks County.

Chief Deputy Stromberg, Sheriff Schneider and Josh Roberts-Lujan from Enterprise Fleet Management addressed the board.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Engen, to authorize Sheriff Schneider to sign the Master Equity Lease Agreement, the Amendment to Master Equity Lease Agreement and the Agreement outlining that NDIRF is a satisfactory insurance provider for the lease of Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department vehicles with Enterprise Fleet Management. Motion carried with Falck, Rost and Engen voting aye and Knauf voting nay.

Lou Lombardi, Veterans Service Officer, gave an update on the Veterans Treatment Court.

Tom Ford, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Engen, to approve the Donovan Group LLC Survey Services Agreement for \$10,000 with the Chair's signature to conduct a survey to see if Grand Forks County residents support Home Rule for Grand Forks County and approve a budget amendment of \$22,000 to the general fund miscellaneous account. The budget amendment will be for \$10,000 for the survey and \$12,000 for the printing and mailing. Motion carried with Falck, Rost and Engen voting aye and Knauf voting nay.

The Commission directed Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, to start the process to issue a \$30 million bond for the Juvenile Detention/Correctional Center expansion project and levy for the bonds with the 2022 levy.

The Commission appointed Tom Ford, Director of Administration, to get estimates to repair the dome and replace the air handlers in the Grand Forks County Courthouse and contact the Historical Society and Garrison Diversion to see if there any grants available.

The Commission directed Mr. Ford to contact Scott Johnson, Court Administrator to verify items that are currently being stored in the Grand Forks County Courthouse basement that belong to the State and bring back a recommendation on moving forward with clearing items from the basement.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Knauf, to approve the License Agreement with Rhombus House of Pizza, LLC with the Chair's signature. Motion carried

Haley Wamstad, State's Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Rost, to approve the Contract for Defense Services with Swanson & Warcup, Ltd for mental health services from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 with the Chair's signature. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Falck appointed Commissioner Knauf to serve on the Grand Forks Library Board until her Commission term expires on December 5, 2022.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Engen, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:19pm. The next meeting will be held on May 17, 2022 at 4:00pm.

Thomas H. Falck, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor