

## GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

May 7, 2024 – 4:00 P.M.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Rustad, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 County Commission meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to approve the order of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, check #47030 - Dostal Dent Tech- \$150, 47031 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$1000, 47032 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$100, 47033 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$3000, 47034 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$1500, 47035 - GF Clerk of District Ct- \$1000, 47036 - Nelson County Clerk of Court- \$500, 47037 - Ramsey Clerk of District Court- \$500, 47038 - Rolette County Courthouse- \$250, 47039 - Trail County Clerk of Court- \$5000, 47040 - True North Equipment- \$143.91, 47041 - Hernando Sheriff's Dept- \$45, 47042 - Combined Insurance Co of America- \$508.9, 47043 - Credit Bureau of Bismarck Inc- \$13.63, 47044 - Fraternal Order of Police- \$114, 47045 - Infoarmor, Inc- \$312.7, 47046 - Ingenuity Rm, LLC- \$230.18, 47047 - ND F.O.P.- \$648, 47048 - Rodenburg Law Firm-Fargo- \$560, 47049 - Tx SDU- \$150, 47050 - Wellabe Life and Health Insurance Co.- \$106, 47051 - City of Emerado (Hwy)- \$113.75, 47052 - City of Larimore (Hwy)- \$66.91, 47053 - City of Thompson (Hwy)- \$87.02, 47054 - 1101 Dental Pllc- \$3954, 47055 - Advance Auto Parts- \$77.2, 47056 - Advanced Engineering & Environmental Ser- \$148113, 47057 - Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc.- \$2153.64, 47058 - Alentado Training Consultants, LLC- \$690, 47059 - Alerus Center- \$12528.75, 47060 - Altru Clinic Pharmacy- \$4.6, 47061 - Altru Health System- \$332, 47062 - Ames, Vince- \$120, 47063 - Amundson Funeral & Cremation Service- \$7000, 47064 - Anderson, Lyndon- \$455, 47065 - At & T Mobility- \$149.36, 47066 - Baseview Petroleum Inc- \$2191, 47067 - Bell Insurance- \$1258, 47068 - Bert's Truck Equipment Inc.- \$340, 47069 - Bilden Funeral Home- \$3500, 47070 - Bob Barker Company- \$855.57, 47071 - Burggraf's Ace Hardware- \$71.71, 47072 - Burkholder Bret- \$413.7, 47073 - C & R Laundry- \$5714, 47074 - Canon Financial Services- \$39.29, 47075 - Cass County- \$147.95, 47076 - CDW Government- \$12090.4, 47077 - Cima Companies Inc- \$511.65, 47078 - City of East Grand Forks- \$4932.26, 47079 - City of Grand Forks-Fire Dept- \$2459.71, 47080 - Column Software PBC- \$44.08, 47081 - Construction Engineers- \$281594, 47082 - Crown Trophy- \$33, 47083 - Demery, Jackie- \$25, 47084 - Development Homes- \$362.5, 47085 - Ecolab Pest Elimination Div- \$259.5, 47086 - Election Systems & Software In- \$243.9, 47087 - Engstrom, Anna M- \$545.94, 47088 - Enterprise Rent A Car- \$1487, 47089 - Farstad Oil Inc- \$437.49, 47090 - Fastenal- \$5.04, 47091 - Finley Motors Inc- \$39742, 47092 - GF Cnty Treasurer- \$1252.71, 47093 - GF Welding & Machine- \$83.68, 47094 - Gilbraith, Audrey- \$228.54, 47095 - Golden Eagle Club- \$300, 47096 - Grand Forks Public School Dist. #1- \$98, 47097 - Hanson, Phillip- \$25, 47098 - Hawkins, Isabelle- \$80.58, 47099 - Hazle, Heather- \$25, 47100 - Information Systems Corporatio- \$2265, 47101 - Interstate Billing- \$201.75, 47102 - Jensen Darlene D- \$118.7, 47103 - Johnson, April- \$227.87, 47104 - Kimball Midwest- \$1035.02, 47105 - Knutson Printing Co- \$52, 47106 - Labcorp- \$38, 47107 - Landeis, Katelyn- \$887.08, 47108 - Linde Gas & Equipment Inc- \$442.49, 47109 - Linnerooth Law Office- \$62, 47110 - Loffler- \$12.4, 47111 - Lombardi Lou- \$179.2, 47112 - Lunseth Plumbing & Heating- \$33490.95, 47113 - Manthei Diane J- \$168, 47114 - Manvel Oil Coop- \$7296.03, 47115

- Marco Technologies LLC- \$2225.41, 47116 - McKesson Medical Surgical- \$379.15, 47117 - Meland Lumber Co- \$13.37, 47118 - Menards- \$1133.38, 47119 - Midcontinent Communications- \$4386.49, 47120 - Miller Dunwiddie- \$1437.16, 47121 - ND Dept of Health/Microbiology- \$220, 47122 - ND Secretary of State- \$36, 47123 - ND State Radio Communications- \$743, 47124 - NDSAA-%Genny Dienstmann- \$2100, 47125 - NDSU Ext Serv-Dept 3110- \$174, 47126 - Nelson County Sheriff- \$125, 47127 - Nodak Electric Coop- \$4390.82, 47128 - O'Reilly Auto Parts- \$1054.36, 47129 - O'Reilly Auto Parts #3280-Grand Forks- \$229.06, 47130 - O'Reilly Auto Parts- Washington St- \$69.98, 47131 - Office of Adjutant General- \$743, 47132 - Ottertail Power Co- Devils Lake- \$595.32, 47133 - Parkman, Katie- \$25, 47134 - Pharm Chem Inc- \$191.7, 47135 - Polk County Sheriff- \$75.16, 47136 - Pomp's Tire Service Inc.- \$139.99, 47137 - Preble Medical Services Inc- \$40, 47138 - Premium Waters, Inc- \$39.19, 47139 - Probitas Promotions- \$2255.73, 47140 - Propio Ls, LLC- \$50.66, 47141 - R.P.A.- \$100, 47142 - Radisson Hotel Bismarck- \$99.8, 47143 - Rainbow Bridge- \$3332.13, 47144 - Rivards Turf & Forage- \$120, 47145 - Roesler, Ashley- \$25, 47146 - Rundell, Devan- \$25, 47147 - Safe Kids- \$107, 47148 - Sanford- \$353, 47149 - Schill, Shawna- \$500, 47150 - Thermal Air LLC- \$352.5, 47151 - Thorson, Ryan- \$120, 47152 - Thull, Jenny- \$546.12, 47153 - Thull, John R- \$120, 47154 - Toshiba America Business Solutions- \$150.03, 47155 - University of Minnesota Crookston- \$392, 47156 - Vanyo Chuck- \$425, 47157 - Verizon Wireless - Newark Nj- \$2076.13, 47158 - Wadholm, Dustin- \$104, 47159 - Wallwork Truck Center Grand Forks- \$238.11, 47160 - Workforce Safety & Insurance- \$715.16, 47161 - Galbraith Francis M- \$72, 47162 - Grand Sky Construction Company LLC- \$22646.25, 47163 - Kelley, Roderick I - \$108, 47164 - Mack Wayne- \$918.6, 47165 - Thiel Michele- \$483.2, ACH payments to - Xcel Energy - Mpls - \$13337.72, - Acme Electric/Tool Crib of Nor - \$254.47, - Advanced Business Methods - \$294.85, - Auto Value-Grand Forks - \$55.6, - Benefit Extras Inc - \$1212.35, - Border States Electric Supply - \$62.5, - Business Essentials - \$146.39, - Century Electric Inc. - \$172.5, - Cole Paper Inc. - \$6930.26, - Diamond Drugs, Inc. - \$1236.13, - Dietzler Electric LLC - \$3156.17, - Galls An Aramark Company - \$29.72, - GF County Historical Society - \$150, - Greg's Laundry Equip Service - \$818, - Home of Economy - \$173.83, - Interstate Power Systems Inc - \$2231.01, - Keith's Security World - \$21.25, - Northwest Tire Inc - \$1690.23, - Office Depot-Chicago - \$92.72, - Peru - \$5738.41, - Phoenix Supply - \$963.9, - Polk County DAC - \$99.65, - RDO Trust Account #80-5800 - \$2837.59, - Reliance Telephone Systems Inc - \$914, - Roto Rooter - \$130, - Rydell Chevrolet - \$173.98, - Stericycle Inc - \$135.7, - Sterling Carpet One Floor&Home - \$237.5, - Truenorth Steel - \$11908.68, - Xcel Energy - Mpls - \$517.91; employee status changes for Destiny Falcon, Landon Richardson, Samuel Miedinger, Lindsey Trotter, Bridit Williams, Randolph Gee, Abby Steffan, Sheila Razmyslowski, Joshus De Laet, Brooklyn Gerwatowski, Torilla Stepter, Clinton Ntohnifor, Carter Stevens, Katelyn Vesledahl, Hallee Morgan Stark, Burl Fitzgerald, Dakota Hahn, Jessica Volla, Erica Sul, Cole Girtz, Jarek Rivas and Ervin Burcham; overtime; and game of chance permits for Altru Health Foundation and Forx Builders Association. Motion carried unanimously.

Lou Lombardi, Veterans Service Officer, addressed the board.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Northeast Central Judicial District and Grand Forks County Veterans Service Office with the Chair's signature. Motion carried unanimously.

Tess Wall, Grand Forks Public Health Director and Katie Jo Armburst, Grand Forks Housing Authority Director of Program Development & Advocacy, gave a presentation on the Grand Forks Withdrawal Management Center.

Moved by Hagen, seconded by Rustad, to approve the transfer of the 2024 Social Detox Center allocation from Public Health to Grand Forks Housing Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to approve the 2024 Social Detox Facility Funding Agreement with the Chair's signature. Motion carried unanimously.

Ben Shannon, Spectra Health Director of Operations, addressed the board.

Moved by Hagen, seconded by Rost, to give preliminary approval for MIDA bonds for the Spectra Health Project, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, subject to a public hearing on June 4, 2024. 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.

Nick West, County Engineer, addressed the board.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Rustad, to approve the North Dakota Department of Transportation Construction Engineering Services Agreement for SC-1800(023) mill and overlay project with the Chair's signature contingent upon State's Attorney's approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Hagen, to approve the Grand Forks/Traill County Cooperative Agreement and Resolution with the Chair, Auditor and State's Attorney signatures. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to accept the bids from Gowan Construction for crushed concrete and to accept the bids from Gowan Construction, Lakeside Construction and Close Construction for class 13 aggregate, and approve the Chair and Auditor signatures on the contracts. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Rost, to waive the technicality of an unsigned bid bond by True North Steel bid for the Culvert Pipe Material Bid and open the bid. Motion carried unanimously.

The True North Steel bid was opened and read out loud.

Moved by Hagen, seconded by Rustad, to accept the bid from True North Steel for the steel pipe culverts and flap gate and approve the Chair and Auditor signatures on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Hagen, seconded by Rustad, to accept the bid from Ferguson Waterworks and ADS for plastic pipe culverts and approve the Chair and Auditor signatures on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Rost, to accept the bid from J & J Striping for countywide pavement striping and approve the Chair's signature on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to reject all bids received for the 2024 Bituminous Seal Coat CP-1800(024) due to insufficient funds and rebid at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Rost, to reject all bids received for CR 3 & Emery Ave Culvert Extensions and rebid the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Hagen, to not award the 2024 Township Assistance Program – Michigan Twp, 14<sup>th</sup> NE project due to insufficient funding. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Rustad, to scale back the scope of the 2024 Township Assistance Program – Michigan Twp, 14<sup>th</sup> NE project, utilizing the County’s gravel bidding process to procure a contractor to supply and haul the gravel, and the County would provide construction services. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Hagen, to approve the bid from Greystone Construction for \$205,276 for the salt storage building with the Chair’s signature on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Ford, County Administrator, addressed the board regarding comments made during the May 6, 2024, Grand Forks City Council meeting about the County’s budget, planning, and the location of the Grand Forks County Sheriff’s Office. Mr. Ford reviewed past and current options considered and reviewed by the County Commission and provided an update on the County Office Building and County Courthouse office space utilization study.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Hagen, to approve drilling and core sampling of the Grand Forks County Parking Ramp to be completed by an independent professional outside of any contractor under contract at a cost of \$10,000 from capital improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Hagen, to notify the Historical Society that we will no longer levy for the Historical Society. Motion failed with Rustad and Hagen voting aye and Rost and Engen voting nay.

Moved by Hagen, seconded by Rustad, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:19pm. The next meeting will be held on May 21, 2024 at 4:00pm.

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David A. Engen, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor