

## GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

January 17, 2012 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Schmisek, Pic, Murphy, Knauf and Malm present.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Schmisek stated, upon the advice of counsel, there will be no executive session today. I would ask the agenda be changed accordingly.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Malm, to approve remove item 13a, Executive Session, from the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Knauf, to approve the order of agenda, adding the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference after item 11b. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #158098-158122 and Check #158124-158357 in the amount of \$815,561.14 and purchasing card charges in the amount of \$600.75; approve the following securities as pledged: Alerus Financial, \$80,752,859.24; Bremer Bank, N.A., \$2,250,000.00; Choice Financial Group, \$2,300,000; First State Bank, \$1,000,000; US Bank, N.A., \$366,696.35 and Wells Fargo Bank, \$18,082,341.36; approve the following depositories for Grand Forks County: Alerus Financial, Bank of North Dakota, Bremer Bank, Choice Financial Group, First State Bank, United Valley Bank, US Bank, NA and Wells Fargo Bank; and Game of Chance Permit for Gilby 125 Committee. Motion carried.

Myron Knudson, Public Financial Management, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to accept the offer from Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. for the sale of \$1,825,000 Grand Forks County Building Authority, Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, series 2012 with a True Interest Rate of 1.4347%. Motion carried.

Chairman Schmisek recessed the Grand Forks County Commission Meeting and convened the Grand Forks County Building Authority.

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The refunding of the Lease Revenue Bonds will result in a savings of \$300,210.03 in interest through the remainder of the term. The bond issue relates to the County Courthouse Remodel Project.

Chairman Schmisek adjourned the Grand Forks County Building Authority Meeting and reconvened the Grand Forks County Commission Meeting.

Irene Dybwad, Social Services Foster Care Supervisor, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Murphy, to authorize Social Services to travel out-of-state to visit foster care children, without prior Commission approval, and to file a written monthly report to the County Commission of the travel that has taken place. The policy will be reviewed on an annual basis. Motion carried.

Ed Christ, Social Services Assistant Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to authorize Ed Christ, Social Services Assistant Director, to endorse all checks for deposit to Social Services' accounts. The Assistant Director is also authorized to sign any contracts, affidavits or other pleadings until such time as a new Social Services Director is named. Motion carried.

Amber Gudajtes, Tax Equalization Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Knauf, to approve the abatement of Floyd and Lynette Dullum, parcel number 44-1208-00214-000, and reduce the 2010 True and Full Value from \$136,100 to \$74,500. Motion carried.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to approve the abatement of Raymond Siver, parcel number 44-1303-00340-000, and reduce the 2010 True and Full Value from \$123,200 to \$35,100. Motion carried.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Murphy, to approve the abatement of Burton Nelson, parcel number 49-1801-00053-004, and reduce the 2010 True and Full Value from \$83,200 to \$22,600. Motion carried.

Ms. Gudajtes will file a written report with the 2012 agricultural values for the February 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pic, to approve the Accurate Controls, Inc. Maintenance and Service Agreement for the Juvenile Detention Center at a cost of \$5,500.47. Motion carried.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to approve the Chair's signature on the Joint Powers Agreements with the Cities of Emerado, Gilby, Inkster, Larimore, Manvel, Niagara, Northwood, Reynolds and Thompson. The purpose of the agreement is to provide the terms by which the County and Cities coordinate the holding of their general elections along with the County's primary election. Motion carried.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Chair's signature on the Joint Powers Agreements with Grand Forks City, Grand Forks School District and Grand Forks Park District. The purpose of the agreement is to provide the terms by which the County, City, School and Park coordinate the holding of their general elections along with the County's primary election. Motion carried.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Malm, to amend the Emergency Management 2012 revenue and expenditure budget by \$278,000 for Emergency Management for two Homeland Security Grants they have been awarded. Motion carried.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Murphy, to approve out-of-state travel for Commissioner Pic to attend the National Association Counties Legislative Conference on March 3-7, 2012. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Pic, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:43pm. The next meeting will be held on February 7, 2012.

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John Schmisek, Chairman  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor