

Grand Forks County Special Commission Meeting
September 26, 2025 – 1:30pm

Action Items:

1. 2026 Final Budget
2. WIC Program

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Pic, Hagen, Rustad, Bjerke and Rost present. Commissioners Pic and Hagen participated via Zoom.

Moved by Rost, seconded by Pic, to do a roll call vote for approval of the 2026 final budget in the amount of \$35,283,288. Motion carried 3-2 with Rost, Pic, and Hagen voting aye and Rustad and Bjerke voting nay. (The total amount includes State, Garrison Diversion and Soil, a 5% increase on January 1, 2026, for the Sheriff and States Attorney, 2.4% COLA on January 1, 2026, for all employees, excluding Sheriff and States Attorney, and a 3% step increase for qualified employees on their seniority date in 2026.)

Moved by Pic, seconded by Rost, to approve the WIC Program to become a Grand Forks County department contingent upon the final notice of grant award from the ND Department of Health and Human Services and with final review from the States Attorney's office effective October 1, 2025. Motion carried with Pic, Hagen, Rustad and Rost voting aye and Bjerke voting nay.

Moved by Rustad, seconded by Bjerke, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:39pm.

Kimberly Hagen, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Colleen Morstad, County Auditor