Ellendale City Council
November 9, 2026

Regular Meeting
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6:00 pm – EMS Building and Zoom Virtual

This meeting was held at EMS Building and virtual Zoom Meeting option was also available.

Mayor Flaherty called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:00 PM with council members in attendance: Crabtree, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee, and Denison via zoom.

Absent: Meidinger
City Employees present: Auditor Gunn, Deputy Auditor Visto, Police Chief Knutson and PW Monroe via zoom.
Others attending: Separate sign-in sheet available.
Midwest Inspection: ELN03 still upfitting. Certificate of Occupancy should be issued soon for ELN03 near end of November if everything satisfies all state inspection agencies. ELN04 wrapping up final framing to work on mechanical amongst other interior aspects with partial occupancy being somewhere near start of 2027.
Meidinger arrives 6:04 pm
Public Comment: No public comment.
Streetlight concerns: By duplex apartments along 5th St N a streetlight was taken out by owner of the property. There are safety concerns with having no streetlight around those townhomes. Need to speak with MDU and owner of property to be able to put up a streetlight on south end of property.
Dathe: Bell's Addition: Dathe has plans to put a housing development in Bell's Addition in City of Ellendale, but there are no water or sewer lines to the city lots that would be developed and no established street. Dathe provided cost estimates and is requesting city's assistance with paying for this infrastructure. City council to discuss.
Agenda Additions: None
Wade: Ellendale Acres: Few punch list items finally completed. Lee moves, Anliker seconds to approve paying the final retainage of $45,485.40. Roll call vote: Meidinger, Crabtree, Denison, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee- yes. Motion carries.
Wade: City Wide Street Project: Border States have wrapped up for the season; they will be back in spring to wrap project up and work on any change orders that are approved. Anliker moves, Meidinger seconds to approve pay estimate of $3,398,849.16. Roll call vote: Crabtree, Denison, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee, Meidinger- yes. Motion carries. Change order #2 for curb and gutter repairs around the city for $119,289.75 that would be done in the spring. Change order #3 for $307,075 to fix curb and gutter and drainage issues along 4th Ave. Meidinger moves, Lee seconds to approve change order #2. Roll call vote: Denison, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee, Meidinger, Crabtree- yes. Motion carries. City engineer to re-submit change order #3 with new parameters to price out. A city business approached city requesting why road was not paved further along Main St past elevator to Hwy 11. With extremely heavy truck traffic it was determined that a paved road would not be able to handle that kind of traffic. City engineer to bring back estimates to keep road as gravel but widen to 30'.
Colliers: Marketing the bonds for City Wide Street Project. City was able to get bond insurance that will help keep the interest rate lower at around 4%. Lee moves, Meidinger seconds to approve Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Warrants. Roll call vote: Anliker, Tiegs, Lee, Meidinger, Crabtree, Denison- yes. Motion carries. Denison moves, Tiegs seconds to approve Denison moves, Tiegs seconds to approve Resolution Pledging Legally Available Funds, Subject To Annual Appropriation, To The Payment Of The Annual Special Assessment Installments For The City Of Ellendale Refunding Improvement Bonds of 2026, Series B. Roll call vote: Tiegs, Lee, Meidinger, Crabtree, Denison, Anliker- yes. Motion carries.
Senior Center: Remodel going well. Need to start ordering furnishings. Meidinger moves, Lee seconds to order commercial kitchen equipment and bathroom necessities up to $12K. Roll call vote: Lee, Meidinger, Crabtree, Denison, Anliker, Tiegs- yes. Motion carries. The rest of the furnishings to wait until it is determined what the space will be used for.
Review Garbage Ad: Discussion on garbage ad. Meidinger moves, Lee seconds to approve the garbage call for bids ad with changes that were discussed. All in favor, aye. Motion carries. Bid opening to be discussed and set after ad is reviewed by mayor, city auditor and city attorney.
Police Report: October police report reviewed with more case calls and less traffic issues. Speed limit signs that council previously approved to go onto west side of 6th St S cannot be put up until discussing with the adjoining township to come to an agreement. Four way stop at Hwy 281 and Hwy 11 that were put up while road construction was ongoing was proposed to keep up, until construction at Applied is completed. Possible over-serving ordinance change. Police Chief Knutson to talk with City Attorney Fallon to change penalties and possibly require businesses that serve alcohol take an online bartender course.
Public Works Report: Staying busy with normal jobs. Discussion held on possibly requiring city hall to receive a survey before buildings are erected in order to make sure it is built within property lines. Cities concrete pile needs to be crushed. Public Works foreman received a quote from RTS Shearing for @12.50/ton. Denison moves, Medinger seconds to approve concrete crushing quote up to $190K. Roll call vote: Meidinger, Crabtree, Denison, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee- yes. Motion carries. Construction supplies sitting on city property at Ellendale Acres for extended time period, who do they belong to. Public Works to put together a list of everything out there to give to City Attorney Fallon to see who owns everything and try to get those things taken care of.
Building Permit: Lee moves, Meidinger

seconds to approve building permits: D. Winter, new building at 9626 Hwy 281; Harvest Gardens for new building next to current greenhouse at 1003 2nd St N;

Mann Signs for new signage at Starion Bank on Main St.; MDU for expansion of substation on 87th Ave SE; and Benedictine Living Center to remodel a house at 313 3rd St N.

Minutes: Meidinger moves, Lee seconds to approve minutes for October 6, 2026 Public Hearing and October 6, 2026 regular meeting minutes.

Bills: Meidinger moves, Anliker seconds to approve all bills as presented.

Operating statement: Lee moves, Meidinger seconds to approve October Operating Statement.

Invitation to Speak: Mayor Flaherty was asked to speak at The Energy Council 2026 Global Energy and Environmental Issues Conference held in White Sulfur Springs, WV. Mayor Flaherty will discuss with JDA and Tourism to possibly be reimbursed 25% from each entity to help offset costs. Lee moves, Denison seconds to approve up to $1550 for expenses. Roll call vote: Crabtree, Denison, Anliker, Tiegs, Lee, Meidinger- yes. Motion carries.

Next meeting: Special meeting: TBD; December 14, 2026 at 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Verizon Wireless	$437.48
Ellendale True Value	$361.50
DRN Readitech	$9,352.72
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Farmers Union Oil	$3,400.75
Aflac	$834.34
Bound Tree Medical	$2,582.60
Lorena Lynde	$240.00
Strengthen ND	$2,000.00
City of Fargo	$28.00
Rick Hack	$990.00
ND OneCall	$100.50
Amazon Capital Services	$47.88
Dickey County Leader	$637.20
Dickey County Recorder	$20.00
Computer Express	$80.00
HighRoad Partners HR Solutions	$1,250.00
House of Glass	$4,674.00
Interstate Engineering	$134,340.30
Lamoure County Chronicle	$30.00
Information Technology Dept.	$406.89
NAPA AutoParts Central	$149.08
Mertz Lumber and Supply	$32.67
Recycle Center of ND	$29,868.60
Southeast Water Users	$15,000.00
Vestis	$84.01
Terracon	$7,850.00
MDU	$3,177.67
J&M Elliott LLC	$100,000.00
Border States Paving Inc.	$1,201,343.58
Ellendale Park Board	$20,000.00
VOIDED	
Starion Bank	$850.66
Dickey County	$2,125,874.89
Ellendale Park Board	$2,088.77
Dickey County Leader	$42.00
Corey Gulke	$1,058.50
Nick Kendall	$5,250.00
Wrench & Roll Inc	$625.60
Pierson Ford	$102.38
Ellendale Area Comm. Found	$2,000.00
Waldner & Sons Construct.	$67,470.00
Computer Express	$480.00
Dickey. Co. Highway Dept.	$48.00
Dickey County Recorder	$20.00
Ferguson Waterworks	$2,175.58
Jones & Kelly Attrnys	$3,250.00
Notch Manufacturing	$1,488.00
Newman Signs	$477.10
NAPA AutoParts Central	$192.82
Menards - Aberdeen	$54.85
Shilo Comeau	$90.00
BCBS of ND	$16,041.82
AED Superstore	$1,474.98
281 Repair	$1,077.76
MDU	$2,363.55
Metro Billing Services	$700.00
Verizon Wireless	$430.44
JP Morgan - CC	$3,179.76
Mayor	$335.88
Council	$828.74
Ambulance	$20,020.21
City Employees	$35,632.08
IRS	$15,180.06
NDPERS	$6,932.52
NDPERS	$521.93
Jonathan Juhula	$10.00
Postmaster	$274.05
TOTAL	**$3,871,790.65**

Donald Flaherty, Mayor
Nicole Gunn, Auditor

(Minutes subject to corrections and approval at next regular meeting.)

(November 26, 2026)