Steele County Commission Meeting
Sept. 15, 2026

The Steele County Commission meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Strand. Commissioners Brandon Oxton, Perry Brown and Brandon Krueger attended via Zoom. Joe from Bartlet and West, Ben Gates and Auditor Jana Flaten also were present.

Joe opened bids:

BID TABULATION
Steele County Courthouse Improvements
Finley, ND
Bid Date: Thursday, September 15, 2026 9:00 AM CST

BIDDER	BASE BID	ALTERNATE #1	ALTERNATE #2	ALTERNATE #3	TOTAL
Construction Engineers	$350,000.00	NO BID	$938,000.00	$195,000.00	NON-RESPONSIVE BID
Gast Construction	$350,039.00	$940,471.00	$891,524.00	$214,411.00	$2,396,445.00
Gleason Construction	$406,000.00	$1,074,000	$932,000.00	$193,000.00	$2,605,000.00
MAK Construction	$275,072.00	$1,008,489	$946,350.00	$195,453.00	$2,425,364.00

Joe went over what is included with the bid
Alt 1 Exterior building work
Alt 2 – Mechanical/Hvac
Alt 3 – Electrical
Joe and Gates will go through and review each bid and send an email recap.

Gates discussed the ARPA fund that the water district has asked for. Commissioner strand would like to table this until the October meeting.

Commissioner Strand discussed the Golden Lake new plats and talked about them already getting approved at the township level. The commissioner willed to approve them. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the new plats out at Golden Lake seconded by commissioner Krueger. There was no further discussion, and all members voted aye. The motion carried.

Commissioner Krueger made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Commissioner Brown. Meeting adjourned at 9:26am. There was no further discussion, and all members voted aye. The motion carried.

Richard Strand- County Chairman
Jana Flaten -County Auditor

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