

Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 18-0101

An Ordinance granting to the Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota Company, its successors and assigns, permission to erect, construct, install and maintain within the City of Enderlin, an electric light and power system and transmission lines to operate the same and to install conduits, poles, wires, pipes and other fixtures in, upon and under the streets, alleys, bridges, and public grounds of said City for the purpose of furnishing electric light, heat and power to said City and the inhabitants thereof.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF Enderlin, North Dakota, Hereinafter called the "City":

SECTION 1

There is hereby granted to Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota Company, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the Grantee, for a period of twenty (20) years from and after the passage and approval of this Ordinance and during all of said time, subject to the conditions and requirements hereinafter set forth, permission to construct, install and maintain an electric light and power system and transmission lines and to operate and maintain the same within and through the City and to transmit electricity to and from other towns or cities for the purpose of light, power and heat and to erect, construct, install and maintain conduits, poles, wires, pipes and other necessary fixtures and attachments upon and under the streets, alleys, bridges and public grounds of said City for the purpose of furnishing and selling electricity for light, heat and power and such other purposes for which electricity may be used by the inhabitants of said City, said permission and franchise to become operative and continue under the conditions hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 2

Said Grantee shall use poles, wires, crossarms, equipment and devices to conform with the standards of construction adopted by the National Electrical Safety Code of the United States, Department of Commerce, and all apparatus connected therewith shall be located so as not to obstruct the avenues, streets, and alleys of said City or to endanger persons or property or to hinder or to obstruct the use of said avenues, streets, and alleys for public places by the inhabitants of said City, or public in general, or to interfere with any street, sidewalk, curb, gutter or park improvements that the City may deem proper to make along the lines of said avenues, streets and public places.

SECTION 3

All conduits, poles, wires and pipes installed by virtue of this Ordinance shall be installed in such places and in such manner as not unnecessarily to encroach upon streets, alleys, bridges, or public grounds of said City, and so as not to unnecessarily obstruct the use thereof for the ordinary purpose of travel thereon, and the erection thereof shall be subject to the reasonable supervision and direction of the City Council of the said City. Whenever practicable, all poles shall be set in alleys, and poles now in position upon or along the streets, whenever practicable, shall be removed, and the locations of all of said poles shall be designated by the Mayor under the supervision of the City Council of the said City.

All poles where set in alleys shall be set at or near the boundary line thereof, and where set in streets shall be located at such distances, as shall be directed by the city, from the property line of the abutting owner, and shall be placed so as not to interfere with the construction of placing of any waterpipes, sewers, or drains or the flow of water therefrom which have been or may be placed by authority of said City. In the event that said Grantee shall make any unnecessary obstruction of said streets, alleys, public grounds or places not designated by the City Council, the City may cause the removal of such obstructions and charge and collect from such Grantee the actual cost of such removals.

SECTION 4

During the construction, maintenance or enlargement of any part of said electric light and power system, said Grantee shall not unnecessarily impede or block travel in said streets and highways in said city, and shall leave all streets, highways, alleys, sidewalks, curbs, lanes and public places and all grounds disturbed by said construction in good condition upon the completion of said work.

The City reserves the right for itself and its agents to make and adopt, and the rights and privileges hereby granted shall at all times be and remain subject to, such reasonable regulations of a police nature as it may deem necessary for the best interests of the City but the City will not by an such regulations or by acts of its own or agents do anything to prevent or interfere with the Grantee carrying on its business in accordance with the franchise hereby granted.

SECTION 5

Whenever the said Grantee in erecting, constructing and maintaining said lines or poles, shall take up any of the pavements, sidewalks crossings or curbs on any of the avenues, streets and alleys or public places in said City or shall make any excavations thereon; such excavations shall be refilled and the sidewalk, crossing or curb replaced under the direction of the said City and any excavation so made shall be properly lighted at night during the construction, and in case of the failure to do so on the part of the said Grantee, then the said City may do the same at the expense of said Grantee and said Grantee agrees to pay said City for the reasonable cost or value of said work. Said Grantee shall be liable for all loss or damage caused by the negligence of Grantee, which may result to persons or property within the said City, caused by it, or its agents, servants, or employees in erecting, operating and maintaining the said electric system within said City, and shall at all times save the City harmless from any and all damages to persons or property in erecting, operating or maintaining said electric system.

SECTION 6

There is granted to said Grantee, its successors and assigns, during the term hereof, permission and authority to trim all trees in alleys, streets and public grounds of said City so as to remove all parts of said trees interfering with the proper erection maintenance and operation of poles, cables, wires, masts or other fixtures, or appliances installed or to be installed pursuant to authority hereby granted.

Said Grantee shall have full right and authority to assign any person, persons, firm or corporation all the rights that are given it by this Ordinance, provided that the assignee of such rights by accepting such assignment shall become subject to the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7

The Grantee shall use due diligence and care in furnishing electric service as herein provided but shall not be liable for any loss or damage which may arise from failure of the service, either partial or total, but this shall not be construed to exempt said Grantee from liability for negligence.

SECTION 8

The rates to be charged by said Grantee in the said City shall be filed with the Public Service Commission of the State of North Dakota, and no increase or decrease in said rates shall be made except in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission.

SECTION 9

This contract shall be subject to any present or future laws of a regulatory nature enacted by the State of North Dakota, or an any amendment or addition to such laws and further shall be subject to the rules and regulations laid down by the Public Service Commission of the State of North Dakota.

SECTION 10

The City reserves the right during the term hereof to enact and assess a franchise fee such as it deems necessary, upon reasonable advance notice to Grantee of not less than sixty (60) days.

SECTION 11

In the event the City should sell or transfer real property which is subject to Grantee's franchise and should it become necessary to remove conduits, poles, wires or pipes installed by virtue of this ordinance the removal shall be done at the expense of the Grantee upon the request of the City.

SECTION 12

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval by the City Council. The said Grantee shall specify its acceptance of this franchise in writing, to be filed with the City Auditor and in no event shall this Ordinance be binding on said Grantee until the filing of such acceptance.

Approved this 2-2, 2026.


Attest: Cyndee Chesley, Mayor, City of Enderlin

CITY OF ENDERLIN 2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENT JANUARY 1-DECEMBER 31, 2025				
	BAL. 1-1-25	INCOME	EXPENSE	BAL. 12-31-25
General Funds	\$ (396,216.78)	\$ 1,803,205.10	\$ 1,044,774.87	\$ 362,213.45
City Share Specials	\$ 6,753.08	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,753.08
Emergency	\$ 1,841.00	\$ 5,278.18	\$ -	\$ 7,119.18
Flood Funds	\$ 509.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 509.12
Sales Tax	\$ 568,238.33	\$ 504,036.62	\$ 317,543.18	\$ 754,731.77
American Rescue Plan Act	\$ 128,156.25	\$ -	\$ 128,156.25	\$ -
Debt Retirement	\$ 41,808.60	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 41,058.60
Dist. 2002-1	\$ 739.80	\$ -	\$ 739.80	\$ -
Dist. 2005-1	\$ 20,006.84	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 26,906.84	\$ -
Dist. 2006-1	\$ 1,412.01	\$ 207.86	\$ -	\$ 1,619.87
Dist. 2009-1	\$ 169,970.29	\$ 143,216.34	\$ 139,200.00	\$ 173,986.63
Dist. 2009-1 Reserve	\$ 139,875.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139,875.00
Dist. 2009-3	\$ 89,162.62	\$ 27,280.84	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 93,443.46
Dist. 2009-3 Reserve	\$ 22,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,500.00
Dist. 2010-1 & 2/TIF	\$ 278,316.00	\$ 101,657.18	\$ 379,973.18	\$ -
Dist. 2011-1	\$ 564,508.32	\$ 38,384.57	\$ 602,892.89	\$ -
2013 Bond	\$ 380,723.51	\$ 102,339.13	\$ 110,070.00	\$ 372,992.64
Dist. 2014-1	\$ 99,934.87	\$ 29,694.75	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 104,629.62
2014-1 Reserve	\$ 26,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,200.00
Dist. 2015-1	\$ 45,560.57	\$ 34,650.00	\$ 20,125.00	\$ 60,085.57
2015-1 Reserve	\$ 18,640.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,640.00
Dist. 2019	\$ 169,834.01	\$ 93,300.25	\$ 65,875.37	\$ 197,258.89
2019 Construction Fund	\$ 29,475.93	\$ 29,453.00	\$ 58,902.03	\$ 26.90
Construction Fund	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.00
Dist. 2021-1	\$ (20,721.91)	\$ 186,930.36	\$ 137,829.32	\$ 28,379.13
Water/Sewer Expansion	\$ 159,430.36	\$ 244,062.53	\$ -	\$ 403,492.89
Water/Sewer	\$ 199,690.00	\$ 1,725,432.53	\$ 1,925,692.27	\$ (569.74)
Water Deposit:	\$ 34,735.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 35,585.00
Garbage	\$ 75,007.28	\$ 117,969.13	\$ 113,495.06	\$ 79,481.35
Recreation-Pool	\$ (69,140.89)	\$ 36,686.45	\$ 80,064.40	\$ (112,518.84)
Pool Project Const.	\$ 58.88	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58.88
Pool 2018 Bond Fund	\$ 711,103.01	\$ 220,786.89	\$ 245,103.76	\$ 686,786.14
Pool 2018 Bond Reserve	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 48,000.00
Park	\$ -	\$ 13,832.22	\$ 13,832.22	\$ -
Library	\$ -	\$ 79,668.52	\$ 79,668.52	\$ -
Cemetery	\$ -	\$ 7,975.45	\$ 7,975.45	\$ -
Airport	\$ -	\$ 29,027.27	\$ 29,027.27	\$ -
Municipal Arts	\$ -	\$ 19,731.55	\$ 19,726.65	\$ 4.90
Prairie Dog Funds	\$ -	\$ 126,179.43	\$ 20,753.84	\$ 105,425.59
Legacy Hwy Fund	\$ 19,955.96	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,955.96
Flex Transportation	\$ -	\$ 24,338.20	\$ -	\$ 24,338.20
TOTAL	\$ 3,560,072.06	\$ 5,759,124.35	\$ 5,618,748.04	\$ 3,700,448.37

Cyndee Chesley, City Auditor
Published February 11, 2026

CITY OF NOME
NOME CITY COUNCIL MEETING.
Nome Schoolhouse Feb 2nd 2026
Persons present: Bruce Storhoff, Randy, Christi, Jed, Mary Peterson, Steve, Mike Peterson and Briana Mondino
Meeting called to order. Minutes from the last meeting were read, Motion to approve by Christi 2nd by Jeb. Minutes approved.
Current year financials were reviewed. Motion to approve by Randy 2nd by Jed Financials approved.
Old business: 1 resident (Loren) have not paid the dog license.
Apartment repairs: Lights are in and Welle to install them. Bri updated apartment restoration. Bri expressed concern about defamation of character from Chris. Bri requested Chris be removed from city council for gross misconduct. Oath of office for Christi and Jed needs to be done. Notary needs to be brought in. Still looking for one more council member
New business: Received new dog license fee from Chris for new dog. Bri will continue with cabinet and walls Motion by Jed 2nd by Randy. Bruce will get estimate for floor refinish. Steve resigned from the city auditor. Replacement will found.
Motion to adjourn meeting by Randy 2nd by Christi. Meeting adjourned.
Next meeting Mar 2nd 2026, 7:00 pm at the Nome Schoolhouse.
Bills approved and paid:
Fat man trash \$534.28
Ottertail power \$ 1047.31
Salaries \$ 382.85
Enderlin Independent \$41.44
City View Fuel \$317.00
Barnes rural water \$ 834.56
Rick Gillund \$25.00
Briana Mondino \$1590.00
City of Fargo \$28.21
Barnes County taxes \$330.28
Midwest pest control \$85.00
Farmers Union Insurance \$1,778.00

MEETING OF THE ENDERLIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD
ENDERLIN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #24
Tuesday February 10, 2026
7:30am in Board Room



AGENDA

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

D. Approve Agenda

E. Consensus Agenda

- Minutes/Bills/Financial Reports

F. Guest Reports and Correspondence

G. Principals Report

H. Unfinished Business

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I. New Business

- Open Enrollment Application
- Resignations/Retirements
- Recommendation to Hire New 7-12 Principal
- Annual School Board Election
- Superintendent Evaluation - deadline March 15

J. Reports, Information and Correspondence

- Reports for Board by Students or Staff
- School Board Members
- Superintendent Report

K. Adjourn

Mr. French

THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND ALL BOARD MEETINGS
ATTENTION PERSON WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

If you plan to attend a meeting or event at our school and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 437-2240 well in advance of the event date.



Thank You For Reading
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NDSU joining
Mountain West
Conference

Fargo, N.D., — North Dakota State University announced today that it has accepted an invitation to join the Mountain West Conference as an affiliate member for football, competing at the Football Bowl Subdivision level beginning this fall.

The move follows years of evaluation and planning and reflects NDSU's long-term strategy as a student focused, land-grant, research university. Joining the Mountain West aligns the university with peer institutions that share similar values and supports broader institutional priorities related to academic reputation, research growth, workforce partnerships, enrollment, and national engagement. It also gives NDSU a new platform on one of college athletics' most dynamic stages, positioning the university and its football program for a bold new era in the Mountain West.

"This is a proud moment for NDSU," said David Cook, 15th president of North Dakota State University. "We've built something special here by being thoughtful, disciplined, and willing to take bold steps when the time is right. We've made a move like this before, and it strengthened our university in lasting ways. Joining the Mountain West builds on that legacy and reflects our confidence in the people, programs, and purpose that define NDSU. It allows us to extend our impact, expand our national connections, and create new opportunities for our students and community while staying true to our mission."

Athletics excellence has been a key part of NDSU's national profile for decades, and the transition to FBS competition builds on that legacy while supporting broader institutional goals. NDSU will join the Mountain West Conference for football only, while continuing to prioritize and strengthen its multisport conference membership in the Summit League that provides strong competition with regional opponents and rivals in most sports. NDSU is a member of the Big 12 Conference for wrestling.

"This is a historic day for

NDSU Athletics. Our football program has earned this opportunity through the sustained success and leadership of our student-athletes and coaches past and present," said NDSU Director of Athletics Matt Larsen. "Joining the Mountain West is an exciting new opportunity for our team to compete at the highest level, for our fans to see FBS opponents coming to Fargo, and for Bison football to reach a wider national audience through expanded television coverage."

Competing in the Mountain West places NDSU within a league known for its tradition, competitiveness, and coast-to-coast recognition — a conference that positions Bison football for heightened visibility and increased engagement with alumni and supporters nationwide.

"We are thrilled to welcome North Dakota State University's football program to the Mountain West," said MW Commissioner Gloria Nevarez. "The Bison bring a championship mindset and a bold vision for growth that aligns with the unwavering commitment to the excellence of the Mountain West. Their dedication to elevating the student-athlete experience—on the field, in the classroom, and throughout the community—will energize the Mountain West and help propel our football profile to new heights nationwide."

NDSU will continue to engage university stakeholders as planning moves forward. Additional details related to competition timelines, operations, and implementation will be shared as they are finalized. Momentum is building across campus and throughout Bison Nation, reflecting widespread enthusiasm for the opportunities that lie ahead in the Mountain West.

"Dr. David Cook and I signed the agreement that moves NDSU football to the Mountain West following extensive planning and evaluation," said Interim President Rick Berg. "This decision strengthens NDSU's national presence while keeping our academic mission, student success, and institutional values front and center. I fully support this move and the leadership that brought us here."

Ransom County SO - Calls for Service

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