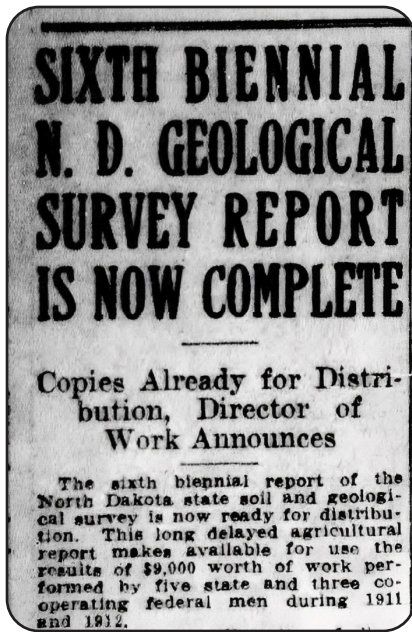


READ ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THIS AREA: KEITH NORMAN

Making a map in 1915
Field work for the first geological survey of Dickey County wrapped up 110 years ago this month. Actual maps and reports based on the field work were scheduled for completion that coming winter.
The survey was done by contractors working for the United States Geological Survey. The project included all of Dickey County and the south half of LaMoure County.
No word on when the north half of LaMoure County got surveyed.
Crews inspected every quarter section in the county, noting the topography and altitudes of every township, section, railroad, river, creek, lake and house in the county.
The survey also noted geographical features like hills, valleys and wetlands in the county. It also provided a basic soil survey of the area.
"In addition to giving a good idea of

the soil value," wrote one newspaper. "It also locates, (and) determines the amount and value of the clays, cement, concrete rock and all mineral deposits, including gas and oil."
Another aspect of the survey not only mapped the location of the wells in the county, but listed the depth and the quality of water.
Once the final maps and reports were done, an atlas of the county could be published.
"This work marks the expression of another means whereby the government seeks to aid in economic development," wrote a Dickey County newspaper.
The survey cost the federal government about \$10,000 back in 1915. Adjusted for inflation, that would be about \$315,000 today.
Probably a pretty good deal.
I'm sure all the atlases and maps of Dickey County published since then

have been based on that work.
Now, if they had just marked a little oil and gas resources in that survey we'd have something.



As often happens with extensive government surveys, the 6th Geological survey report was delayed considerably by unforeseen complications. In this case, World War I intervened, and it was not published until the end of the war came near. The headline and paragraph at left are from *The Fargo Forum*, September 17, 1918.

AREA EVENTS

- **Nov. 18 (TUESDAY): CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MONTHLY MEETING, 12:00 PM AT THE OLS OFFICE**
- **Nov. 24 (MONDAY): GIRLS J.H. BASKETBALL VS. LEOLA FREDERICK, 5:00 PM AT FREDERICK**
- **Nov. 24 (MONDAY); TBC CHOIR CONCERT, 7:00 IN THE ARMORY**
- **Nov. 26 (WEDNESDAY): SCHOOL DISMISSAL FOR THANKSGIVING BREAK AT 1:30,NO SCHOOL THURSDAY & FRIDAY**
- **DEC. 7 (SUNDAY): KAT PERKINS CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT TBC CHAPEL, 5:00 --MORE DETAILS COMING UP IN THE LEADER--TICKETS AVAILABLE AT TRUE VALUE HARDWARE**
- **DEC. 19 (FRIDAY): BASKETBALL VS. OAKES AT OAKES-GIRLS VARSITY 4:30, BOYS VARSITY (COWBELL GAME), 7:30**

PUBLIC NOTICES

Ellendale Township
Ellendale Township will hold its fall meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, November 24, 2025, at the Farmers Union meeting room.
Jerry Rekow, Township Clerk
(November 13 & 20, 2025)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION OF WATER FROM GROUND WATER
TAKE NOTICE that HARRIS, JAY & JENNIFER, OAKES, ND, have submitted Water Permit Application No. 7439 to the North Dakota Department of Water Resources for a permit to divert and appropriate water from ground water.

The application requests an annual appropriation of 191.1 acre-feet of water for Irrigation use at a pumping rate of 800 gallons per minute, utilizing point(s) of diversion located in the NE1/4 of Sec. 25, T. 132 N., R. 059 W., Dickey County, for the purpose of irrigating 127.4 acres in the NE1/4 of Sec. 25, T. 132 N., R. 059 W., Dickey County.

TAKE NOTICE that written comments regarding the proposed appropriation must be filed in the Department of Water Resources, 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-5262, by 5 o'clock p.m., on the 15 day of December 2025. The Department of Water Resources shall consider all written comments received and prepare a recommended decision which will be provided to the applicant and any person who filed written comments. Those persons may file additional comments with the Department of Water Resources, request an adjudicative proceeding on the application, or both.

Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota, on October 31, 2025.

/S/ John Paczkowski, P.E.
State Engineer
Department of Water Resources
1200 Memorial Highway
Bismarck, ND 58504-5262
(November 13 & 20, 2025)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO ADD POINT(S) OF DIVERSION

TAKE NOTICE that RONEY, LARRY, OAKES, ND, has made application to the North Dakota Department of Water Resources to add point(s) of diversion for Deferred Conditional Water Permit Application No. 4209.

The application requests authorization to divert and appropriate water utilizing an additional point of diversion located in the SE1/4 of Sec. 36, T. 131 N., R. 059 W., Dickey County .

Deferred Conditional Water Permit Application No. 4209 currently requests the annual appropriation of 225.45 acre-feet of water at a withdrawal rate of 900 gallons per minute, from ground water, utilizing point(s) of diversion located in the SW1/4 of Sec. 02, T. 130 N., R. 059 W., Dickey County , for Irrigation use.

TAKE NOTICE that written comments regarding the application must be filed in the Department of Water Resources 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-5262, by 5 o'clock p.m., on the 15 day of December 2025. The Department of Water Resources shall consider all written comments received and prepare a recommended decision which will be provided to the applicant and any person who filed written comments. Those persons may file additional comments with Department of Water Resources, request an adjudicative proceeding on the application, or both.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

The City of Ellendale City Council, acting as the city planning commission, will hold a public hearing this Notice of Hearing is sent by registered mail to the address(s) shown on the plat to discuss whether the planning commission shall approve or disapprove the plat that is now on file at the city auditor's office during regular business hours for inspection by the public. The proposed plat is a plat of lands within the E1/2 of Section 4, Township 129, Range 63 Dickey County, North Dakota wherein a data center is being developed. At the hearing the planning commission shall state the grounds upon which the proposed plat is approved or disapproved and written findings upon which the decision is based shall be included within the records of the planning commission and held at the city auditor's office. If the plat is approved by the planning commission it shall be automatically adopted by the planning commission as an addition to the city without further hearing. The hearing shall be held the 24th day of November, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 55, 3rd Ave South, Ellendale, ND 58436.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
(November 6 & 13, 2025)

OPENING FOR PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE

The City of Ellendale is looking to hire a Public Works Employee to oversee the following maintenance to keep the City in good working order and sound condition:

- Streets
- Alleys
- Water system
- Sewer system
- Landfill areas
- General maintenance of equipment
- Mowing
- Cutting and trimming trees
- Cemetery
- Perform a variety of manual labor duties which will include all maintenance, heavy equipment operations, snow removal and other duties as required.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationship with other employees, public officials and the public.
- The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 75 pounds or more.
- This job typically works 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Friday and will be required to be on call during scheduled evenings and weekends.
- Must be legally authorized to work in the United States. No sponsorships considered.
- A valid ND Driver's License is required

and the ability to obtain a Class B CDL.

- A high school diploma/GED is required; the ability to pass and obtain all required ND State licensing and certification requirements when eligible.
- Successful applicants will be highly motivated and self-directed.
- Successful applicant will require a background inquiry.
- Experience preferred; and essential that the public works employee be service oriented.
- Must live within 30 minutes of the city limits.
- Wages DOE

Applications/Resumes will be accepted until filled, please submit to City Hall (P O Box 267 - 55 3rd Ave S – Ellendale ND 58436).

Benefits included: BCBS – Health, Vision, Dental, Retirement, Vacation, Sick Leave, On-Call pay, Overtime past 40 hrs, Garbage/ Water discount if live in city limits

For further details, please contact Mayor Don Flaherty; Council Member Justin Meidinger or City Hall –701–349-3252.

NOTICE OF HEARING

The City of Ellendale will hold a public hearing after two consecutive weekly publications of this Notice to discuss Zoning Amendments covering the City of Ellendale and relating to proposed data center zoning in the E1/2 of Section 4, Township 129, Range 63 Dickey County, North Dakota. The hearing shall be held the 24th day of November, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 55, 3rd Ave South, Ellendale, ND 58436. The property involved includes the E1/2 of Section 4, Township 129, Range 63 Dickey County, North Dakota, which is currently zoned as Commercial after annexation and also shown in the map of Ellendale and its additions located at City Hall, which are all available for inspection during the City's regular business hours. The nature, scope and purposes of the proposed changes are to change the zoning ordinances by addition of a Light Industrial District to be located in the E1/2 of Section 4, Township 129, Range 63 Dickey County, North Dakota. An outline of proposed zoning ordinance changes includes the following:

- amendment of Section 5.0301 to add Light Industrial "I-1";
- to add "I-1" to the City Zoning Map referenced in Section 5.0301;
- to add a new Section 5.0305.2 adding a description of District "I-1" boundaries;
- addition of a new Section 5.0605.2 regarding regulation of Light Industrial "I-1" and including a Section 5.0605.2.1 regarding data centers;
- to amend Section 5.0801(3) to include the time period a Light Industrial "I-1" permit is valid, to impose a building permit fee equal to the City's cost for expert inspection fees, etc.;
- to amend Section 5.0801(3)(b) by amending the escrow of permit fees; and
- to amend Section 5.0802 to impose a \$10,000 per day violation fee and/or fine for zoning violations occurring in Light Industrial "I-1."

The proposed zoning amendments are available for public inspections during the City's regular business hours at the auditor's office at 55, 3rd Ave. South, Ellendale, ND 58436. Following the public hearing, the city council shall consider holding a second reading of the proposed ordinance amendments at a city council meeting immediately following the public hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
(November 6 & 13, 2025)

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