

Legals

Notice of Public Meeting

Sheridan County Water Resource Board (Water Board), under the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant through ND Department of Emergency Management (FY 2020; EMD-2020-BR-120-0010), retained Barr Engineering Co. (Barr) in January 2023 to develop hydrologic analysis (Study) of numerous culvert crossings across Sheridan County. The BRIC Grant Study was completed in December 2023, identified culverts in poor condition as well as under sized. In February 2025, the Water Board authorized Barr to design culvert crossings for an initial set of culverts deemed to be of priority, to improve conveyance, safety, and alleviate localized flooding. Barr completed sizing of 56 culverts under current scope of work. The remaining culverts were left for future analysis using the information learned from the initial set.

The Water Board is meeting with the Sheridan County Commission to present the work completed to date and discuss a path forward for next steps to be executed in 2026. The meeting will take place on December 2, 2025 at 10am in the Community Room at the Sheridan County Courthouse in McClusky, ND. The Water Board would also like to encourage all Sheridan County residents as well as Township Supervisors to participate in this meeting to provide input and feedback on the project, and inform us of any culvert crossings within Sheridan County which require improvements. The Water Board intends to take all reasonable feedback under consideration to advance the project. If you have any questions, please contact Water Board Chairman Kevin Vietz at (701) 425-4723 or kevinvietz@gmail.com or Water Board Secretary/Treasurer Tracy Stein at (701) 363-2205 or tlaib@nd.gov (Nov. 13, 2025)

McClusky City Council Minutes

Monday, October 13, 2025
Those who attended: Lee Wahl, Nathan Rhoads, Bryon Belile, Corey Lauer, Amanda Saueressig, Geraldine Schmidt, Scott Baier, Jerri VanSandt
Call meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.
Additions to the agenda: Specials Totals and Early Payoff
Corey Lauer made a motion for the approval of minutes from Budget & Regular Meetings 09/8/2025 & Special meeting from 9/20/2025. This was seconded by Nathan Rhoads. Motion carried.
Financial Report -Corey Lauer motioned to approve the financial report. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried.
Engineer Report-none
Police Report-reviewed by board.
Maintenance Report –
Street committee (Rhoads/Lauer)- nothing to report
Water committee (Wahl/Baker)-went through water bill issues and made corrections
Continuing Business:
JDA/Daycare – all is good financially. Nathan Rhoads made a motion that Amanda Saueressig can do the books and work for JDA as long as it is on JDA time, not on city time and paid through JDA. Corey Lauer seconded. Motion carried.
McClusky Grocery Status Report- Geraldine Schmidt asked for a tip jar for the workers, Bryon Belile will look into this for next meeting.
Inspection letters received/ not received, next steps-Waiting on the lawyers for next steps.
Street Lights quote-tabled until further notice.
WH Water Investigation-letter received from Wayne Houston. Corrections were made.
Specials totals and early payoff- Amanda Saueressig received the payments that were made to the county and all paperwork pertaining to the USDA loan for the special assessments from the engineers. She will work on getting that total to the citizens wanting to pay off early.
New Business:
Loan Payment-received – will talk to bank about the unknown loan
Raffle Permit for Civic Club-Corey Lauer moved to approve the raffle permit. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion

carried.
Water bill issues-Nathan Rhoads made a motion to put all unpaid water bills on the special assessments. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion Carried.
Nathan Rhoads made a motion to put all yard work done by the city on the special assessments. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion Carried.
BMS Water Pay Proposal-Nathan Rhoads made a motion to add BMS water pay to our account so we can do autopay. Corey Lauer seconded. Motion Carried.
Budget Review for Water, Sewer Gas Report-tabled-Amanda Saueressig will talk to Mary Jamerson with MAP
Cameras and Recording-Lee made a motion to find a package deal for new cameras, Nathan Rhoads seconded. Motion carried.
Audit Update-tabled
Mils for JDA-added to the city budget as they were already part of the mill levy
Corey Lauer resignation- Lee Wahl made a motion to accept the resignation, Nathan Rhoads seconded. Motion carried.
Approve Bills for Payment- Nathan Rhoads made a motion to pay the bills. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried.
Adjournment- Corey Lauer made a motion to adjourn, Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried at 8:28 p.m.
NEXT MEETING 7:00PM Monday, November 10, 2025 7:00PM – Regular Monthly Meeting (Nov. 6, 2025)

McClusky City Council Minutes Budget Meeting

September 8, 2025
Bryon Belile called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.
The board looked over the preliminary budget and Brandi Baker made a motion to accept pending the changes that were discussed. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried.
Lee Wahl made a motion to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. Brandi Baker seconded. Motion carried.
McClusky City Council Minutes Monday, September 8, 2025
Those in attendance: Allan Tinker, Dave Martwick, Kerry Landseidel, Jerri VanSandt, Scott Baier, Geraldine Schmidt, Lee Wahl, Brandi Baker, Bryon Belile, Amanda Saueressig
Bryon Belile called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Brandi Baker motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting and special meetings in August 2025. Lee Wahl seconded.
Lee Wahl motioned to accept the financial report. Brandi Baker seconded. Motion carried.
Engineer Report – Special assessments are due 10/15/2025
Police Report-reviewed.
Maintenance Report
1. Street Committee – the roads by the park and the vet clinic need to be bladed
2. Water committee- policy of tax implementation for unpaid water bills will be located
Continuing Business:
1. JDA/Daycare-reports looked over
2. McClusky Grocery Status Report – waiting on grant for next year
3. Inspection Letters – waiting on the attorney
4. Street Lights quote – too high
5. WH Water Investigation – ongoing New Business:1. Hire Auditor- Brandi Baker motioned to hire Amanda Saueressig as permanent staff. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried.
2. Assessor Applications – tabled
3. Janitorial Applications – tabled
4. Marlo Clark issues & Timesheet – Brandi Baker motioned to pay final check to Marlo Clark. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion carried.
5. Jerri Van Sandt Complaint – sent to attorney
6. Statement in newspaper about issues – board declined
7. Water bill issues – report gone over
8. Budget review for Water, Sewer, Gas Report – tabled
9. Gera Schmidt Dump Service Use – special fee for special trips and after hours use – tabled
10. Steps for handling a hostile situation – call the sheriff’s dept.
11. League of Cities Convention Sept 17-19, 2025- Board agree Amanda Saueressig can attend.
12. Cameras and Recording – tabled

13. Bond Coverage – look into what it will cover.
4. Transfers and Reserve Fund Liability Changes – Board looked over Report
15. Audit Update – Mary will get back to be from MAP
16. FCC License Renewal – Radios – talked to Sam Roubal and figured it out.
17. Building Permit for Coop Elevator – they finally turned one in.
18. Clean Water Fund (Baker Sewer)- talk to Josh with Moore Engineering
19. Invoice to Sheridan County & Mark Gahner both paid – Board approves
20. Payment for Sheridan County Sheriff’s Office (July, August, September)-will pay Brandi Baker made a motion to pay bills as presented. Lee Wahl seconded. Motion Carried. Lee Wahl made a motion to adjourn. Brandi Baker seconded. Motion carried at 8:30 p.m. (Nov. 13, 2025)

Sale Of Real Estate Forfeited To The County For Delinquent Taxes

CHAPTER 57-28 North Dakota Century Code
Notice is hereby given that the following real estate has been forfeited to the County of Sheridan, State of North Dakota, for delinquent taxes, that said County has taken tax deed to such property and will offer it for sale at public auction at the office of the County Auditor in said County on Tuesday, November 18th, 2025, beginning at ten o’clock A.M.
Each parcel of real estate will be offered separately and sold to the highest bidder therefore, but not for a sum less than the minimum sale price. Payment shall be made in cash or terms as may be agreed upon by the County Auditor and the purchaser.

The sale will continue from day to day until completed. Dated at McClusky, North Dakota, this 4th day of November, 2025.
Shirley A. Murray
Sheridan County Auditor
DESCRIPTION MINIMUM SALE PRICE
Strip 26 2/3 rods by 160 rods in NE4 7-148-76
Parcel #15-0007-01962-000
Esther Spitzer Johnson etal
c/o Pam Johnson
31008 NW Spencer RD Ridgefield, WA 98642-9733 645.00

Part of SW4NW4 100’x 150’ 13-148-76
Parcel #15-0013-01994-020
James & Ruth Toner
c/o John Poppke
210 92nd St NE Tulalip, WA 98271 85.00

Part of NW4SW4 140’x 80’ 13-148-76
Parcel #15-0013-02108-010
James & Ruth Toner
c/o John Poppke
210 92nd St NE Tulalip, WA 98271 75.00

Lots 15-16, Block 2
Lincoln Valley Village
Parcel #15-0101-02123-000
James & Ruth Toner
c/o John Poppke
210 92nd St NE, Tulalip, WA 98271 60.00

Lots 8-9-10, Block 3
Lincoln Valley Village
Parcel #15-0101-02128-000
James & Ruth Toner
c/o John Poppke
210 92nd St NE Tulalip, WA 98271 70.00

Lots 11-12, Block 3
Lincoln Valley Village
Parcel #15-0101-02128-020
James & Ruth Toner
c/o John Poppke
210 92nd St NE Tulalip, WA 98271 60.00

Lot 18, Block 1
Martin City, Original
Parcel #29-101-00011-000
Bonita Kluck
c/o Dorian Anderson

1080 23rd St NE
Drake, ND 58736-9668 1,600.00

Lot 19, Block 1
Martin City, Original
Parcel #29-101-00012-000
Bonita Kluck
c/o Dorian Anderson
1080 23rd St NE
Drake, ND 58736-9668 1,500.00 (Nov. 13, 2025)

Goodrich City Council Minutes

November 3, 2025 - 5:30 p.m. - Goodrich City Hall
Present: Larry Zeeb, Pam Stewart (Auditor), Michael Piper, Blane Enzminger, Steve Hochhalter, Arden Mindt and Diane Bellecourt (Mayor)
Guests: LaRae Atkinson
Steve made a motion to accept the minutes of September 8, 2025 meeting and financial report as submitted which was seconded by Larry and carried.
Circulating Pump for water tower and Frost Jacket Repair has been completed and currently waiting for electrical work for project completion.
Council completed the 1st reading review of the Ordinances with 2nd reading scheduled for December Council meeting.
Brian Galvin agreed and was appointed to serve as the City of Goodrich Health and Safety Officer and a Building Inspector may be appointed soon.
Council received an offer for purchase of the Brewer house and made a counter offer.
A motion was made by Blane to accept an offer to purchase the lot adjoining Hochhalters property where building was torn down recently. Motion was seconded by Arden and carried.
Motion to adjourn by Steve and seconded by Larry was carried.
Next Goodrich City Council will be held on December 1, 2025, 5:30 pm at City Hall.
Pam Stewart, Goodrich City Auditor (Nov. 13, 2025)

Dakota Gardener

By Esther E. McGinnis, *Horticulturist – NDSU Extension*

Five things you didn’t know about pumpkin

All pumpkin varieties are squash but not all squash are pumpkins.
We are in the waning days of pumpkin season. I’ve consumed pumpkin spice lattes, cake and even lager. Now, we are looking forward to Thanksgiving and eating pumpkin pie. Before we transition to eggnog and candy canes, let’s celebrate all things pumpkin with some little-known facts.
Pumpkin is a fruit. Technically, pumpkin, squash, zucchini and cucumber are all botanical fruits because they developed from a pollinated flower and contain seeds. From a cook’s viewpoint, pumpkin is hard to definitively classify as a vegetable or fruit because it can be prepared either as a sweet dessert or a savory dish such as soup.
All pumpkin varieties are squash but not all squash are pumpkins. Squash is a broader category that encompasses three or four commonly grown species in the Cucurbita genus. The term, pumpkin, is based on its appearance and traditionally refers to a ribbed squash that is usually round and orange. However, white,

green, gray and blue pumpkins exist if you like a more novel appearance.
Canned pumpkin that we use in our pies may not technically be from a true pumpkin. The FDA allows commercial canners to pack squash (or a mixture of squash and pumpkin) and label it as pumpkin.
Pumpkin and squash are old. Archeologists studying fossilized dung discovered that North American mastodons and woolly mammoths ate small squashes. This was a mutually beneficial relationship because these large mammals transported the seeds to new areas and excreted them with a generous amount of fertilizer. This gardening relationship sadly ended with the mastodon and mammoth extinction. Fortunately, for squash and pumpkin, humans took an interest in the fruit, first for its storage qualities. Archeological evidence shows the first signs of human domestication 10,000 years ago in Mexico and other regions. Humans first came to appreciate the nutritious seeds. Eventually, indigenous peoples started selecting fruits with

sweeter-tasting flesh and cultivating the seeds.
Squash played an important role in regional agricultural history. The Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara peoples practiced the four sisters gardening method which was described by Buffalo Bird Woman, also known as Maxidiwiac. This method included planting corn to grow vertically to provide support for pole beans. In exchange, the beans produced nitrogen for the corn. Squash leaves covered the ground to shade out weeds and to retain soil moisture. The fourth sister, a row of sunflowers, provided a windbreak to the north and attracted pollinators. Arikara squash and Mandan green and white squash seeds are available for those who want to grow a bit of history.
Finally, the earliest pumpkin pies were served without a crust. The seeds were extracted and the pumpkin shells were filled with a mixture of spiced milk and honey. The whole fruit was then roasted in a fire.
I hope you have a renewed appreciation for your pumpkin pie.