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LEGALS

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Minutes of the Tax Equalization Meeting held on April 1, 2025 at City Hall at 3:30 PM.

Present: Lyn James, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Benjamin Schaaf, Sara Bullis (arrived 5 minutes late), Myron Vail, Chief Headley, Peggy Allen, Jodi Freier and Bill Rotenburger.

Absent: None
President James called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the agenda as presented. RCV= all aye, MC.

NOTICE OF INCREASE:
Assessor Freier reviewed the Notices of Increase. This is done when the property value changes \$3,000.00 and 10% or if it was previously not taxed and is now taxable.

RESIDENTIAL:
There needs to be 30 sales for the year to figure the median value, this year she had 35 sales. The median is at 95.83%, and we must be between 90 – 100% of market value. Freier recommends to leave it at 95.83%. James said the County Commission overrode the City's decision last year and did a 2% increase to residential after the City Commission approved to leave it alone. The City Commission wasn't happy with the kickback they received from the community.

COMMERCIAL:
There was a total of 6 sales, so since she didn't have 30 sales, she included sales from 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 and still didn't hit 30 sales so she had to do some appraisals. After that she is at a median of 95.28%, so she recommends leaving it at 95.28%. Freier said the County Commission was okay with leaving it.

AGRICULTURE:
Current Ag land in Bowman County is within tolerance at 96% for 2025. Freier recommended leaving it at 96%.

PUBLIC HEARING:
Bill Rotenberger: He purchased the old Jack and Jill Grocery Store and when recording the sale of the property, they realized that a portion of land behind the store had not been being taxed, approximately 9/100's of an acre. There was a misunderstanding between Freier and Rotenburger on the value and amount of tax to be paid on this land. When it was made clear that the tax was \$12.42, Rotenburger was fine with that.

Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to equalize and correct the tax roll with no changes for the 2025 values for residential, commercial, or agriculture. RCV= all aye, MC.

Motion Schaaf, second by Vail to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 pm. RCV= all aye, MC.

Peggy Allen, Financial Auditor
Lyn James, President of City Commission

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Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on April 15, 2025 at City Hall at 4:00 PM.

Present: Lyn James, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Benjamin Schaaf, Sara Bullis,

Myron Vail, Mike Snow, Steve Ness, Todd Hofland, Shannon Hewson, Aaron Allen, Peggy Allen, and Josh Buchmann. **Absent:** None
President James called the meeting order at 4:00 pm. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the agenda. RCV= all aye, MC.

Direct Deposit: \$33,723.93; **Zoning Board Quarterly Salaries:** \$886.56; **Checks** #14361 – 14378; **Voided Checks:** None; **Bills:** Joseph Reeves \$771.20, Advanced Business methods \$226.01, Badlands Laser Studio \$2,675.00, Badlands Patriot, LLC \$480.54, Bowman County Development Corp. \$307.02, Bowman Park and rec \$625.00, Cenex Fleet Card \$4,282.13, Consolidated Telecom \$1,174.70, Dept. of Environmental Quality \$166.04, EIDO Connect \$168.00, Fallon County Treasurer \$5,793.20, JK Excavation and Construction \$2,800.00, KPOK \$25.00, Motorola Solutions \$70,663.02, ND Information Technology \$83.10, One Call Concepts \$96.20, SW District Health Unit \$50.00, and ZEP Manufacturing \$123.15.

Tax and Tourism Check #14379

Tax and Tourism Bills: Dakota Territory Car Club \$3,000.00.

BROSZ ENGINEERING – HEWSON:

Chip Seal Bids: The City received three bids today for the chip seal project. Bid results are as follows: Asphalt Preservation Company Base Bid \$259,243.76 plus Alternate A \$57,681.64 = \$316,925.40; Bituminous Paving Base Bid \$313,751.80 plus Alternate A \$66,483.20 = \$380,235.00; and Astech Base Bid \$320,836.46 plus Alternate A \$66,004.60 = \$386,841.06. Asphalt Preservation was the apparent low bidder. Allen inquired how much engineering would be on the project and Hewson felt it would be approximately \$25,000 - \$35,000. The lowest bid is \$40,000 under the engineer's estimate. We need to talk to the county because the agreement that was supposed to be written and signed has not come back before the Commission regarding 11th Avenue North and 6th Street NW. Hewson stated that we have 30 days to make a decision, so no decision was made and it will be revisited at the next meeting after clarification on the city/county agreement.

HOFLAND – STREET/VECTOR/ LANDFILL DEPTS.:

Dept. Head Report: Spring Clean-up Week will be the 19th of May and the landfill will open for the season on the 7th of May. Lucky Carroll will be the landfill attendant.

NESS -WATER AND SEWER DEPT.:

Dept Head Report: There was another water main break, this one was on 5th Avenue NW. JK Excavation and Construction came down and fixed it, the leak started on Sunday night. The water was off for approximately 12-14 hours.

CHIEF HEADLEY – POLICE DEPT.:

Activity Report for 3/24/25 – 4/13/25: Incidents – 8 (traffic stop-2, child abuse or neglect-2, DUI alcohol or drugs, theft-personal identifying information, wanted person and criminal mischief), Calls for Service - 68 (extra patrol-20, suspicious person or circumstance-4, dog or cat running at large-4, public relations-4, information report-3, citizen assist-3, intoxicated person-3, alarm-2, lockout-2, truancy-2, wanted eprson-2, fire-2, lost animal-2, medical emergency-2, unruly child, theft -personal identifying information, utility problem, agency assistance, parking violation, 911 hang-up, officer safety, depriving owner of vehicle, suicidal person, citizen dispute child custody dispute, domestic disturbance, and animal noise), Traffic Stops-41 (written warning-20, citation-12, verbal warning-6, arrest-2, and no action); Arrests-4 (driving while suspended-2, court order violation, resisting arrest, and DUI.)

ALLEN - GARBAGE DEPT:

Dept. Head report: Waiting to get the 2019 Freightliner to Dickinson for repairs, they said check back in a week and maybe they can get it in.

ALLEN – FINANCIAL AUDITOR:

City Hall Furniture Quote: Allen pre-

sented the quote for the furniture for the foyer and old driver's license area. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the Baker Furniture quote in the amount of \$3,211.72. RCV= all aye, MC.

Park and Rec Memorandum of Understanding: Allen presented the memorandum outlining what the City and Park and Rec responsibilities are. Motion by Schaaf, second by Vail to approve James signing the Memorandum of Understanding between City of Bowman and Bowman Park and Rec. RCV= all aye, MC.

Park and Rec City Sales Tax Request: Allen presented a request for city sales tax for core testing by Brosz Engineering for the pool decking. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the Park and Rec city sales tax request in the amount of \$625.00. RCV= all aye, MC.

City Hall and Joint Shop Cleaning Contract: Allen presented a letter from Loretta Olind which was a letter of resignation for her cleaning contract for City Hall and the City/County Joint Shop. Motion by Schaaf, second by Bullis to accept Loretta Olind's Letter of Resignation and send a letter to her, acknowledging her resignation. RCV= all aye, MC.

Discussion was held regarding an employee doing the cleaning. Allen will discuss it with the employee and bring it back to the next meeting.

Property Tax Refund: One tax refund was tabled and Allen will ask Freier to attend the next meeting so they can discuss it with her. In the future the Commission would like her to attend when one is presented to them.

The second refund was discussed. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the tax abatement in the amount of \$221.78. RCV= all aye, MC.

Old Time Pictures: The Commission would like old time pictures on canvasses for the old DOT area and a large current time picture on the brick wall. Pictures will be researched for the area.

COMMISSIONER JAMES:

Blinking Stop Light: An individual asked for a blinking stop light by DWB, he would contribute money towards it. No action was taken.

Trees on the Boulevards: Discussion was held about the trees going in on the boulevards. Vail wanted Mendoza Plumbing to be present when it happens so the wires and pipes do not get damaged. There is an agreement between the City and NDDOT that needs to be signed. It will be brought to the next meeting. Allen stated that whoever is watering the trees needs to have Commission approval if they are not a city employee and Allen will need a copy of their driver's license to give the insurance company since City vehicles will be used for watering.

Tax Equalization: James asked County Commissioner Buchmann if the City can be involved if the County is going to change the median values during tax equalization meetings. Buchmann invited the City Commission to come to their tax equalization meeting.

COMMISSIONER SHEAR:

Special Event Permit for Car Show: The Dakota Territory Car Show will be held on July 26, 2025. Setting up on Man Street will start on the 25th. Shear is requesting open container until midnight, the band should be done about 11:00 pm. Open container would start at 10:00 am to 5:00 pm in the whole area that is blocked off for the show. From 5:00 pm on, it will just be from the Bowman Theater to the Silver Dollar Bar. Motion by Schaaf, second by Vail to approve the special event permit for Dakota Territory Car Club for July 25 and 26. RCV= all aye, Shear abstained. MC.

Alcohol Ordinance Revisited: More discussion was held regarding having an on sale alcohol permit revision to the City Ordinance. Allen said the City Attorney said we could specify it for just the ET Zone. Another option was for a permit that has a fee of up to \$1,000.00 and they can have two events a year. No decisions were made and Shear will

bring back written verbiage to the next meeting for discussion.

CLOSE OF MEETING:

Motion by Vail, second, by Bullis to approve the bills, 4/1/25 Meeting Minutes and the 4/1/25 Tax Equalization Meeting Minutes. RCV= all aye, MC.

The next City Commission Meeting will be May 6, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

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Lyn James, President of City Commission

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Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on May 6, 2025 at City Hall at 4:00 PM.

Present: President Lyn James, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Benjamin Schaaf, Sara Bullis, Myron Vail, Trevor Bergerson, Bill Mason, Todd Hofland, Pete Knopp, Todd Walby, Josh Stuchal, Stacy McGee, and Peggy Allen. **Absent:** Aaron Allen

President James called the meeting order at 4:00 pm. Peggy Allen requested to add Cleaning the Joint Shop and City Hall to the agenda. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the amended agenda. RCV= all aye, MC.

Direct Deposit: \$36,908.67; **Check** #14380 – 14419; **Voided Checks:** None; **Bills:** AT & T \$788.42, Bismarck Hotel and Convention Cetner \$218.00, John Deere Financial \$246.65, Slope Electric \$1,174.00, SW District Health Unit \$25.00, Woodley Construction \$25.38, Advanced Business Methods \$183.75, Badlands Patriot \$305.76, Black Mountain Software \$1,500.00, Boss Office Products \$92.81, Bowman Auto Parts \$343.34, Bowman Grain 37.96, Bowman Park and Rec \$58,399.55, Bowman Sales and Service \$463.17, Bowman Vet Clinic \$115.00, Brosz Engineering \$7,707.50, Core and Main \$641.61, Dakota Dust-Tex \$126.30, EIDO Connect \$108.00, Frontier Travel Center \$552.89, Hawkins \$1,674.70, Loretta Olind \$1,150.00, MDU \$9,431.95, Michael Snow \$345.69, ND Information Technology \$88.10, Newby's Ace Hardware \$76.72, One Call Concepts \$239.35, Prevention Magazine \$320.00, Professional Auto Body \$798.05, Pro-Point Cooperative \$508.20, RDO Equipment \$524.60, Riquelme Construction \$3,371.46, Steven Ness

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO COMBATIVE SPORTS PROFESSIONAL BOXING AND MIXED FIGHTING STYLES

TAKE NOTICE that the **North Dakota Office of the Secretary of State** will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the **N.D. Admin. Code at 10 am on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, in the Secretary of State's Main Conference Room at the North Dakota State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck ND 58505.**

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained at SOS.ND.gov or by writing the Office of the Secretary of State at 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 108, Bismarck ND 58505.

Also, written comments may be submitted to 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 108, Bismarck ND 58505, until 12 noon on Friday, July 25, 2025. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please call the Secretary of State at (701) 328-2900 at least four days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 27 of May, 2025.
Michael Howe
Secretary of State