

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

GOLDEN VALLEY
BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
April 1, 2025

The Golden Valley County Commissioners met at 9 a.m. on April 1, 2025. Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet were present for the meeting, along with State's Attorney Christina Wenko and Gary Howard with the *Golden Valley County News*.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the March 2025 regular meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment except for the claim to Craig Concepts, LLC for \$56,700 of which can be paid upon approval of the Fair Board and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of April 2025:

GVC Employees April Payroll	\$77,238.05
NDPERS.....	\$20,133.97
MT Dept of Revenue ..	\$261.00
NDPHIT	\$86,847.00
IRS.....	\$26,817.02
First State Bank.....	\$43.65
JP Morgan	\$1,631.44

Job Service ND.....	\$561.26
ND State Treasurer..	\$2,151.03
ND Tax Commissioner	
.....	\$358.12
Mackoff Kellogg Kirby & Kloster Legal Fees.....	\$1,358.33
Robert Schmeling - Travel	\$737.10
SW Narcotics Task Force Membership.....	\$16,315.00
Eide Bailly LLP - Audit	\$5,985.00
Electro Watchman Inc Contract.....	\$455.40
Fast Initial Response Systems & Training - Supplies	\$744.86
Ramada Bismarck Hotel Travel	\$99.00
Boss Inc - Supplies.....	\$47.43
Big State Industrial Supply Inc Parts	\$156.98
KLJ Engineering Inc Road & Bridge	\$5,394.58
Steve Raisler Veterans	\$30.00
Burt Cook - Veterans	\$50.00
MGC Consultants LTD Application.....	\$3,723.00
Carla Beeler - Travel.....	\$133.70
NW Tire Inc - Tires....	\$4,480.42
John Deere Financial Parts	\$724.63
Otis Elevator Company Contract.....	\$1,002.96
Ashley Ueckert Travel.....	\$1,345.40
Wallwork Truck Center Parts.....	\$91.95
Cerberus Security Contract.....	\$200.00
Re-issued Check 85370	\$968.95
Collections Submitted	\$546,641.27
Craig Concepts - Fair Board Contract.....	\$56,700.00

City of Beach Water & Garbage.....	\$427.18
Gerald Streitz - Travel....	\$28.00
David Davidson - Travel	\$16.80
Farmers Union Oil Fuel/Parts	\$90.84
Leo Floer Electric - Fairground Generator.....	\$11,500.00
GS Publishing Publishing.....	\$351.00
Library Disbursements	\$101.49
Farmers Union Oil Supplies.....	\$29.97
RTC Networks Phone & Internet....	\$1,441.80
MDU - Electricity & Gas	\$3,213.53
Mark Egan - Reimbursement	\$46.30
SpraySync - License....	\$300.00
April Payroll	\$13,707.14
April Liabilities.....	\$3,080.58
Café	\$200.00
Payroll Liability.....	\$210.33
AT&T Mobility - Cell Phone	\$114.47
Cenex Fleet Fueling Fuel.....	\$1,570.20
Rohan Hardware - Supplies	\$10.58
Verizon Wireless - Cell Phone	\$367.74
Current business brought forward to the Board:	
• The Legislative Wrap Up webinar is scheduled for May 14.	
• Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve a gaming site authorization for pull tabs for the Medora Fire Association located at Buffalo Gap Guest Ranch and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.	

- Commissioner Farstveet moved to reissue check #85370 for \$968.95 to Henry Township from August 2024 as the check is lost and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- The check in the amount of \$14,060.92 received from NDIRF from the hailstorm from May 2024 will be deposited into the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund.
- County Auditor Sperry informed the Board that the NDIRF Annual Meeting will be held May 8th. Commissioner Farstveet moved to elect Lyle Bopp to the NDIRF Board of Directors of the corporation to serve a term of 3 years and Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- A letter from Lori Elliott and Roger Myers was received regarding their plan to post and gate a private road on their ranch located in a portion of the Knutson Creek Road, located in Sentinel Civil Township in Section 1, Township 140 North, Range 103 West. No action was taken.
- Discussion was held in regards to a letter from FEMA notifying the County of the final flood hazard determination for Golden Valley County and Incorporated Areas and there is a 90-day appeal period.
- State's Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.
- Discussion was held regarding the current billing protocol for State's Attorney Wen-

ko. Commissioner Schmeling moved to enter into an agreement effective April 1, 2025 between Golden Valley County and Mackoff Kellogg Kirby & Kloster, P.C. with Attorney Wenko acting as State's Attorney for the County. The Agreement would set the compensation at a flat rate \$6,000/month and be renewed on an annual basis and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

• An updated Township and City Board of Equalization Schedule was presented to the Board.

Leo Floer met with the Board to discuss installing a generator at the Fair Grounds for the Blue and Red Buildings that are designated as emergency shelters for the County. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the \$20,000 estimate to purchase and install a generator at the Fair Grounds and will be paid for out of the remaining Recovery Funds and the balance from the Capital Outlay Reserve Fund and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Misty Hayes and Rob Schilling with the USFS met with the Board to give a regular update.

The travel management plan is on hold until all the proposed changes are finalized and reviewed. Fire restrictions are the same as last year for the USFS land. Discussion was held on the letter received from Lori Elliott and Roger Myers as discussed earlier in the meeting. No action was taken.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve payment to Grand Forks Fire Equipment in the amount of \$9,992 for hazardous gas detection and calibration equipment for the Fire Departments and amend and pay for it out of the Hazardous Materials budget and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with the Board to discuss the Golden Valley County Community Foundation Grant opportunity. Muckle would like to apply for some funding to purchase a thermal drone for the Sheriff's Department. It was agreed Muckle should apply for the funding.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Various road topics were discussed. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve and sign Amendment No. 1 to Task Order No. 2403-01198 from KLJ increasing the task order by \$58,700 to provide construction and post construction phase services to CP-1705(24) 01 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Other various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

ATTEST:
Adam Smith, Chairman
County Commissioners
Tamra Sperry, County Auditor
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BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BEACH CITY
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Published Subject to the
Governing Body's
Review and Revision
May 19, 2025

A regular meeting of the Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Walter Losinski on Monday, May 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Present when the meeting was called to order were City Council Tom Marman, Sarah Ross, Lynn Swanson-Puckett, John Stonehocker, Andy Zachmann, Public Works Superintendent Randy Dietz, City Auditor Kimberly Gaugler, Administrative Assistant Lea Massado, Sheriff Dey Muckle, Engineer Zac Ranisate, Holden Hammerlund, guests Corlene Olson, Gary Howard and Deb Helpser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken. City Council Bev Wolff was absent.

Mayor Losinski called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. Gaugler request adding correspondence from Beach High School Future Business Leaders of America. Ross moved to approve the agenda with the addition, second by Zachmann. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation

Deb Helsper inquired if there would be any improvements made to the south side of 2nd Street SW since there was a recent drainage ditch improvement made to the north side of the street. The city engineer explained the recent improvements on 2nd Street SW were made due to the road being washed out. A grant from FEMA has covered the cost of improvements to date. The city engineer will check to see if any of the remaining grant funds can be used to make improvements on the south side of the road also.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on May 5, 2025 were presented. Ross moved to approve the minutes, second by Swanson-Puckett. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Ranisate reviewed his written report. 2nd Street SW Culvert Crossing - Culverts and flared end sections have been installed, and the surface has temporary gravel on it until the paving crew arrives. The ditch to the north has been cleaned and graded out

properly. Ranisate will contact FEMA to see if cleaning out the ditch on the south side of the street could be included in the project. 2025 Street and Utility Improvement Project - BEK has installed watermain and service connections along 3rd Avenue SE. They are working on service line verifications on Main Street, 4th Avenue SE, and Central Avenue. Planned work this week includes installing watermain and services along 4th Avenue SE. Ranisate presented Change Order #2 in the amount of \$59,828.00 to reroute 15 service lines that ran through another property or under someone else's house. Ross moved to approve Change Order #2, second by Swanson-Puckett. Motion carried unanimously. Ranisate presented a quote from BEK Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$83,614.80 to chip seal full street width on all streets where watermain is being replaced. Approximately \$60,000 is available in contingency for non-water related improvements. Marman moved to contact Bank of North Dakota requesting to increase the loan amount if necessary for the chip sealing, second by Swanson-Puckett. Motion carried unanimously. 2026 Main Street & Central Avenue Street Reconstruction - No written protest letters were submitted to City Hall. Swanson-Puckett moved to approve Resolution 2025-15, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-15
A RESOLUTION
DETERMINING THE
INSUFFICIENCY OF
PROTESTS FILED IN
OBJECTION TO THE
CITY OF BEACH
STREET IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT 2025-01

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted Resolution 2025-12, creating the City of Beach Street Improvement District 2025-01; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 2025-14, declaring the necessity of making certain improvements within the City of Beach Street Improvement District 2025-01;

WHEREAS, notice of this resolution was published in the official newspaper of the City of Beach, providing notice to owners of property within the District of their right to protest the intended improvements by filing written objections within

30 days of the first publication; WHEREAS the Beach City Council met at its next regularly scheduled meeting to hear and determine the sufficiency of the protests; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that owners of less than fifty percent of the property within the District have filed written protests to the planned improvements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Beach, North Dakota, that due to the insufficiency of the protests filed objecting to the project, the project will proceed in accordance with all relevant laws and regulations.

Dated this 19th day of May, 2025.

Walter Losinski, Mayor
City of Beach, North Dakota

ATTEST:
Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor
Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Muckle reviewed his written report for the month of April which consisted of 45 city calls, 2 written citations and 3 warning citations.

Public Works Report

PWS Dietz reviewed his written report. The timer on the flashing crosswalk light on 4th Street needs to be replaced. He has been in contact with Maguire Iron to access damages to the south water tower.

Auditor's Report

Gaugler reviewed her written report. Gaugler reviewed the financial report for the month of April. Zachmann moved to approve the financial report, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously. Ross moved to amend Page 24 of the Employee Manual to read "Upon successful and satisfactory completion of the introductory period, employees are eligible for health and life insurance with Blue Cross Blue

Shield of ND and life insurance with Unum Life Insurance.", second by Zachmann. Motion carried unanimously. Beach's Renaissance Zone designation is set to expire on August 1, 2025. We can request an extension for an additional ten years by updating our development plan. Zachmann moved to update the development plan and request a 10 year extension, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously. Gaugler provided legislative changes that will affect the City, Park Board and Fire Department.

Committee Reports

Zoning - Marman reported the Zoning Board met this morning at 8 a.m. and reviewed one application for building with a variance and one application for conditional use.

Unfinished Business

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 397 - Use of Storage Containers. Marman suggested the term temporary use permit be clarified.

New Business

Grace PerDue, Point CPA, independent auditing firm for the city, reviewed the 2022 Audit Report via telephone. Areas reviewed include but are not limited to; Statement of Net Position, Assets, Liabilities and Audit Findings. Swanson-Puckett moved to approve the 2022 Audit Review, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence was read from ND Water Resources Districts Association regarding the Summer Meeting on July 9-10 in Devils Lake.

Correspondence was read from the State of North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner regarding the contract for collection of city sales tax. The Tax Commission will retain \$169.00 per month of the tax collected. By no later than March 31, 2027, the city will

notify the Tax Commissioner whether the tax imposed by the Ordinance is continued or terminated.

An Application for Community Enhancement Funds submitted by Golden Valley County Airport Authority was reviewed. Ross moved to donate \$500 from the Community Enhancement Fund to be used for the June 14th Fly-in Event at the airport, second by Stonehocker. Motion carried unanimously.

An Application for Community Enhancement Funds submitted by Golden Valley Manor was reviewed. Swanson-Puckett moved to donate \$500 from the Community Enhancement Fund for a beautification project, second by Stonehocker. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence was read from North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund regarding the 2024 Annual Report.

Thank you correspondence was read from Beach High School Future Business Leaders of America for the donation received.

Notice
of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING
ND INDUSTRIAL
COMMISSION
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

The North Dakota Industrial Commission will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. CDT Thursday, June 26, 2025 at ND Oil & Gas Division, 1000 East Calgary Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota. At the hearing the Commission will receive testimony and exhibits. Persons with any interest in the case listed below, take notice.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If at the hearing you need special facilities or assistance, contact the Oil and Gas Division at 701-328-8038 by Thursday, June 12, 2025.

STATE OF
NORTH DAKOTA TO:

Case No. 31838: Application of WGO Resources, LLC, for an order creating a 320-acre drilling unit comprised of the SE/4 of Section 16 and the NE/4 of Section 21, T.139N., R.104W., Golden Valley County, ND, authorizing the drilling of a well within said drilling unit and such other and further relief.

Signed by,
Kelly Armstrong, Governor
Chairman, NDIC
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ers of America for the donation received.

Use of the conference calling system for meetings was discussed. Mayor Losinski mentioned preference would be for City Council members to be present at the meeting rather than calling in. Discussion. Marman moved to continue allowing call in to city council meetings when necessary, second by Ross. Marman-yes, Ross-yes, Swanson-Puckett-yes, Stonehocker-yes, Zachmann-no. Motion carried.

There being no other business, Zachmann moved to adjourn, second by Swanson-Puckett. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Walter Losinski, Mayor
Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor
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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