

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

<b>GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS September 2, 2025</b> <p>Golden Valley County Commissioners held a regular meeting at 9 a.m. on Sept. 2, 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 <i>Golden Valley County News</i>.</p> <p>Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the agenda as presented and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the August 2025 regular and special meeting minutes and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the current vouchers for payment and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>The following vouchers were audited and approved for the month of September 2025:</p> <p>Golden Valley County Employees-September Payroll.....\$150,107.64 NDPERS.....\$17,575.13 NDPERS.....\$1,000.00 MT Dept of Revenue.....\$261.00 IRS.....\$25,626.19 NDPHIT.....\$29,359.11 ND Tax Commissioner.....\$617.46 JP Morgan.....\$818.53 ND State Treasurer.....\$39.24 Mackoff Kellogg - Legal Fees.....\$6,000.00 Information Technology Data Processing....\$1,174.00 Steele Electric - Repair.....\$2,804.05</p>	<p>SW Multi-County Correction Center - Prisoner Care.....\$650.00 Armor Interactive - Contract.....\$1,185.00 ND Association of Counties D&amp;A Mileage.....\$144.00 Ashley Ueckert - Travel.....\$1,260.00 US Postal Service - Postage.....\$390.00 Carla Beeler - Travel...\$329.00 Farmers Union Oil Repair/Fuel.....\$12,177.08 Farm &amp; Home Publishers Books.....\$260.00 Craigco Concepts - Contract.....\$44,802.70 Kilde Construction - Repair.....\$43,687.68 Matthew Bender &amp; Co. Updates.....\$93.10 Brady, Martz &amp; Associates Audit.....\$13,125.00 Farmers Union Oil - Propane.....\$2,554.54 Midwest Doors of Dickinson Repair.....\$811.10 Westlie Motor Company Parts.....\$79.91 Boss Inc. - Supplies...\$771.65 NW Tire Inc. - Supplies.....\$99.53 Rohan Hardware - Supplies.....\$66.24 John Deere Financial - Parts.....\$460.68 Burt Cook - Veterans.....\$40.00 Steve Raisler - Veterans.....\$93.00 Paul and Carol Finneman... Contract.....\$373.80 Texas Refinery Corp. Supplies.....\$986.00 Brosz Engineering, Inc. Rd &amp; Bridge.....\$9,432.50 Sign Solutions USA - Supplies.....\$354.99 Dakota Dust-Tex - Contract.....\$218.82 Ramada Bismarck Hotel Lodging.....\$297.00 Cerberus Security - Contract.....\$200.00</p>	<p>Collections Submitted.....\$18,035.85 MDU - Electric &amp; Gas.....\$1,629.22 O5 Motorsports LLC - Repairs.....\$758.43 Rohan Hardware Parts.....\$12.07 Nutrien Ag Solutions Chemical.....\$342.00 Country Home Library.....\$30.00 City of Beach Garbage &amp; Water.....\$621.78 September - Payroll.....\$13,637.66 September - Liabilities.....\$2,983.62 Café.....\$200.00 Farmers Union Oil Fuel &amp; Repair.....\$1,305.23 AT&amp;T - Cell Phone.....\$115.46 RTC Networks Phone &amp; Internet...\$1,441.34 Genex Fleet Fueling - Fuel.....\$1,790.24 Mark Egan - Reimbursement.....\$46.22 NDSU Ext. Pesticide Program Certification.....\$125.00 NDSU - Disbursements.....\$616.60</p> <p>Current business brought forward to the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve and to participate in the National Opioid Settlement reference number CL-1749296 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li><li>Commissioner Schmeling moved to participate in the National Opioid Litigation reference number CL-1772074 and sign the following resolution 2025-15 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li></ul>	<p><b>RESOLUTION NO. 2025-15 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT INVOLVING ALVOGEN, AMNEAL, APOTEX, HIKMA, INDIVIOR, MYLAN, SUN, ZYDUS - REFNUM CL-1772074</b></p> <p>WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota has elected to participate in one or more of the eight national opioid settlements with Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun and Zydus;</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County may participate in each settlement for which the State of North Dakota has elected to participate;</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County has elected to participate in prior national opioid settlements;</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County must "opt in" to participate in the opioid settlement involving Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, Zydus - Refnum CL-1772074;</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Golden Valley County elects to "opt in" to participate in the opioid settlement involving Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, Zydus - Refnum CL-1772074.</p> <p>Dated this 2nd day of September 2025.</p> <p>Adam Smith, Chairman Board of County Commissioners</p> <p>ATTEST: Tamra Sperry County Auditor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>2026 preliminary budgets/levies were reviewed.</li><li>Commissioner Schmeling moved to create a fund 238 Flexible Transportation and amend the revenue budget for that fund by \$125,000 account for funding received in 2025 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li><li>State's Attorney Wenko gave the Board an update from her office.</li><li>Commissioner Farstveet moved to amend the Recovery Fund Budget by \$136,884.02 as the fairground bathroom project did not get completed until 2025 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li><li>Judy Mollendor and Burt Cook with Prairie West Development met with the Board to review the proposed budget/levy request for 2026. Commissioner Farstveet moved to levy \$10,300 for Jobs Development which funds Prairie West Development and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li><li>Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the following preliminary levy amounts and preliminary budgets as presented for 2026 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</li><li>General.....\$323,466 Council on Aging.....\$32,735 Veteran Service.....\$11,000 SW District Health Unit.....\$56,000 Road and Bridge.....\$163,673 Water Management....\$32,735 Ambulance.....\$212,775 Extension Service.....\$32,735 County Airport.....\$13,490 Weed Control.....\$65,469 Library.....\$65,469</li></ul>	<p>Soil Conservation .....\$40,918 GV Historical Society....\$4,092 Jobs Development.....\$10,300 Sunrise Youth .....\$3,757 State Medical Levy .....\$16,367 Unorganized Townships: 136-105 .....\$2,775 136-106 .....\$2,157 137-103 .....\$928 138-103 .....\$1,536 141-103 .....\$2,328 142-103 .....\$2,975 142-105 .....\$3,050 143-103 .....\$3,243 144-103 .....\$4,839</p> <p>Roger Clemens met with the Board to give the Board an update on the proposed 4-way stop signs in Sentinel Butte. No action was taken.</p> <p>DES Rachel Keohane met with the Board to review the Model "D" Ordinance Floodplain Management. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the 1st reading of the Ordinance and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.</p> <p>Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld, Billy Doer with Brosz Engineering and Andrew Krebs with KLJ met with the Board. Bid opening for the construction of County Road 11 structure replacement will be September 12th at 10 a.m. County Road 5 structure replacement has started. Other various road topics were discussed.</p> <p>Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.</p> <p>ATTEST Adam Smith, Chairman, County Commissioners Tamra Sperry, County Auditor (Published Oct. 16, 2025)</p>
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BEACH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

<b>BEACH SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDS OF REGULAR MEETING Unofficial Minutes Subject to Review and Revision of the Board October 7, 2025</b> <p>The Beach School Board held its regular meeting at 6 p.m. on Oct. 7, 2025 in the high school library. Present were Robert Sperry, Carrie Zachmann, Alan Muckle, Heather Dykins, Misty Farnstrom, Jessica Geis and Lynn Swanson. Absent were Landon Lechler and Taryn Sweet. Visitors were Jordanna Garland, Amanda Stoltz and Karen Hinch and Laurie Elliott from Elliott and McMahon via Teams.</p> <p>Sperry called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Sperry recognized visitors. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.</p> <p>Sperry reviewed the agenda. Consensus of the board is to approve agenda as presented. Muckle read public comments on agenda only speaker policy. No routine board items required further discussion.</p> <p>Sperry reviewed the items on the consent agenda which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>September 10th, 2025 regular meeting minutes</li><li>Bills and payroll</li><li>Finance reports</li><li>Committee reports</li><li>Administrative reports</li></ul> <p>Motion by Zachmann, second by Dykins to approve the consent agenda which includes all agenda items listed in sections A, B, C, D and E. Roll call vote carries unanimously.</p> <p>Approved bills and payroll were:</p> <p>Admin Partners LLC ...\$125.00 Amazon Capital Services.....2,128.98 Baymont Inn and Suites of Mandan.....220.00 Beach Student Council...16.00 Blick Art Materials Payments.....87.56 Boss Office and Computer Products.....1,323.75 Lindsay Buckman.....102.40 Burnn Boiler &amp; Mechanical Inc.....41,425.20 Marty Campbell.....55.68 Capital One-Walmart.....147.29 Genex Fleetcard/CHS Inc.....885.45 City of Beach.....3,903.19 CNH Industrial Accounts.....6,098.08</p>	<p>Consolidated Communications.....187.50 Cool Concepts Travel ...301.00 D &amp; E Supply Company, Inc.....58.29 Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc. ...371.75 Dollar General.....131.83 Farmers Union Oil Corp.....2,247.71 Fastenal Company.....94.95 Gerrells Sports Center, Inc.....612.00 Great Western Network.....12,000.00 Hartleys School Buses, Inc.....120.29 Innovative Office Solutions LLC.....124.70 Make Music.....59.99 McGraw-Hill School Education.....281.34 MDU Resources Group, Inc.....5,665.70 Mid-American Research Chemical Corp.....919.65 ND Council of Educational Leaders.....450.00 ND School Boards Association.....300.00 NDUC Group Account...250.00 Netsupport Inc.....248.50 Schwaderer Enterprises, LLC.....2,600.46 Northwest Iron Fireman, Inc.....202.00 Olsons Service LLC...1,424.50 Pepper, J.W. &amp; Son, Inc.....77.99 Prairie Lumber Corp. ....587.75 ReadiTech, C-Corp....4,123.25 Red Rock Sporting Goods Corp.....217.90 Reynolds Market.....41.80 Rohan Hardware.....299.70 Roughrider North Human Service Zone.....1,042.52 RTC Networks.....694.00 Rudy's Lock &amp; Key, LLC...4.00 RWP.....2,115.75 Steffan's Saw And Bike.....465.33 Wells Fargo.....111.57 WERC Center.....360.00 West River Student Services.....7,514.05 WEX Bank.....170.75 Wild Vines Market LLC.....155.87 Amazon Capital Services.....21.48 Beach Food Center.....83.52 Braun Distributing-Queen City Candy.....2,563.51 Capital One-Walmart.....891.43 Coca Cola Bottling Co. of Dickinson.....411.00 Cool Concepts Travel.....1,216.00</p>	<p>Corner Market/NFL Associates.....54.80 Farmers Union Oil Corp.....60.00 FBLA.....240.00 Logo Magic.....16.00 National FFA Organization.....492.50 ND Council of Educational Leaders.....115.00 NDACDA.....260.00 NDSU.....150.00 Pepsi Cola Bottling Company.....699.00 PM Graffix.....280.00 Red Rock Sporting Goods Corp.....381.00 Reynolds Market.....319.37 Sew What Custom Embroidery.....617.00 Sysco Montana, Inc.....50.68 US Foodservice, Inc.....77.25 Wells Fargo.....90.00 Beach Food Center.....130.47 Dollar General.....6.00 Janie Rathbun.....173.61 Rohan Hardware.....59.93 Sysco Montana, Inc.....9,816.08 Temp Right Service, Inc.....489.00 US Foodservice, Inc...3,427.57 Kirby Dietz.....50.00 Lucas Brown.....50.00 ND BCI.....40.00 Jessica Stroh.....261.00 Tracey Gabbert.....261.00 Beulah School District...70.00 Donnell Michels.....66.00 Jeffrey Bertelsen.....66.00 Ava Zachmann.....80.00 Brent Wolf.....189.00 Jon Leadbetter.....111.00 Michael Peters.....111.00 Dawson Zubke.....111.00 Jacob Holkup.....50.00 Jeffrey Bertelsen.....66.00 Donnell Michels.....66.00 ND BCI.....95.00 Tracey Gabbert.....261.00 Jessica Stroh.....205.00 ND FBLA Fiscal Agent...70.00 Cynthia Gabbert.....261.00 Tracey Gabbert.....205.00 Teach2Learn.....1,000.00 Donald Feiring.....66.00 Cynthia Gabbert.....261.00 Tracey Gabbert.....205.00 Jacob Holkup.....50.00 Brian Hickey.....179.20 Fernand M Moser.....189.00 Kolbye Steeke.....111.00 Travis Hager.....111.00 Bo Liekhus.....33.00 Devin Steele.....33.00 ND FBLA Fiscal Agent...500.00 September 2025 Payroll.....351,122.77</p> <p>Sperry called for recognition of students and staff.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Geis presented recognition of board member Carrie Zachmann, who is running for SW Region Director position for the North Dakota School Boards Association. Geis also presented updates on FFA, FBLA, and athletic season activities and upcoming tournaments.</li><li>Swanson presented recognition of the elementary staff professional development class for reading. Spring ND State Assessment student data was reviewed.</li><li>Request from FFA for three students attending the National FFA Convention was discussed. Avery Olstad has been selected for National FFA Band and Harley Feiring and Lucas Brown will be receiving the National FFA Chapter 2 Star Award. Discussion. Motion by Muckle, second by Dykins to approve the request with the administrative guideline of \$250 per student for a total of \$750 for the National FFA Convention. Roll call vote carries unanimously.</li></ul> <p>Geis presented ND Be Legendary grant funding through DPI for year three. Discussion. Training the new board members on ND Be Legendary was discussed. Motion by Zachmann, second by Muckle to approve year three of the grant.</p>	<p>Motion carries unanimously. ND State Assessment Data was reviewed for reading and math. Karen Hinch and Laurie Elliott discussed the data, targets, goals and baselines.</p> <p>Geis presented old business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HB 1176 and new cap calculation worksheet was reviewed and discussed. Last month's cap calculation worksheet that was presented had incorrect information. Discussion.</li></ul> <p>Geis presented new business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Unpaid leave request from Chelsey Erdmann was read. Policy DDC-Unpaid Leave, DDC-BR Unpaid Leave Board Regulation and DDC-E1 - Employee Authorization for Payroll Deduction apply to this request. Motion by Dykins, second by Zachmann to approve request. Motion carries unanimously.</li></ul> <p>Upcoming NDSBA convention was discussed.</p> <p>Next board meeting will be held November 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Sperry called for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Dykins, second by Muckle to adjourn. Sperry adjourned 6:25 p.m.</p> <p>Robert Sperry, President Misty Farnstrom, Business Manager (Published Oct. 16, 2025)</p>	<div><p><b>FOLLOW US</b></p><p><b>Golden Valley NEWS</b></p><p><b>Your ONLY source for all things local in Beach, Golva and Sentinel Butte!</b></p><p><b>FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK</b></p><p><b>for daily updates on life in Golden Valley County.</b></p></div> <div><p><b>ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES</b></p><p>Relating to the transportation of water; boat safety equipment; initial application for guide and outfitter license; hunting guide and hunting outfitter examination.</p><p>TAKE NOTICE that the NORTH DAKOTA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.</p><p>ND Game and Fish Department 100 N Bismarck Expressway Bismarck, ND Wed., Nov. 19, 2025 11:00 a.m.</p><p>The proposed rules are available on the Department's website at <a href="http://gf.nd.gov/">http://gf.nd.gov/</a> or a copy may be obtained by calling the Department at 701-328-6300. Also, written comments may be submitted to the above address through Nov. 30, 2025. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department at the above phone number or address at least seven days prior to the public hearing.</p><p>Dated this 8th of Oct., 2025. Jeb Williams Director</p></div>
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