

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS October 7, 2025

Golden Valley County Commissioners met Oct. 7, 2025 in the commissioners room at the courthouse. Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. 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 News*.

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

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

Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve the current vouchers for payment adding an invoice from Prairie Lumber for \$885.17 and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

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

GV County Employees	
October Payroll.....	\$86,619.47
IRS.....	\$29,606.42
MT Dept of Revenue ..	\$323.00
NDPHIT	\$29,359.11
NDPERS.....	\$19,322.03
NDPERS.....	\$1,000.00
JP Morgan	\$2,128.93
Chemical Industries Inc	
.....	\$185,000.00
ND State Treasurer.....	\$135.41

Collections Submitted	
.....	\$39,992.34
Mackoff Kellog Kirby & Kloster Legal Fees.....	\$6,000.00
Motorola Solutions	
Parts	\$2,331.37
Software Innovations	
Software	\$2,500.00
Armor Interactive	
Service Agr.	\$2,384.00
Powerplan - Parts	\$2,289.34
Big State Industrial Supply	
Parts	\$839.43
Information Technology Dept.	
Data Proc.....	\$2,321.35
SW Multi-County Correction Center - Prisoner Care	
.....	\$2,850.00
ND Association of Counties	
D & A Mileage.....	\$144.00
Vanguard Appraisals	
Service Agr.	\$5,200.00
Golva Repair	
Repair	\$65.00
Sidwell - Software....	\$8,000.00
Tamra Sperry	
Reimbursement	\$44.24
Burt Cook - Veterans ...	\$40.00
Ducks Unlimited - Army Corps	
Permit	\$17,850.00
Adam Smith - Travel...\$	139.60
Steele Auto Body LLC	
Repair	\$464.87
Farmers Union Oil	
Parts/Fuel	\$9,658.78
Boss Inc - Supplies.....	\$163.85
KLJ Engineering	
Rd & Bridge	\$4,696.19
FireSide Office Solutions	
Service Agr.	\$150.57
GS Publishing	
Subscription.....	\$45.00
Mid-American Research	
Chemical - Supplies..	\$459.72
Tyler Technologies	
Contract	\$270.15
Noll Construction	
Contract	\$2,465.00
John Deere Financial	
Parts	\$5,125.57
Cerberus Security	

Contract.....	\$200.00
Prairie Lumber	
Parts	\$1,044.47
US Postal Service	
Rent	\$126.00
Fast Initial Response System	
Supplies.....	\$434.66
Dakota Dust-Tex Inc	
Floor Care.....	\$115.68
Carla Beeler - Travel...\$	256.00
Missy Nelson - Travel ..	\$32.00
EAPC Architects Engineers	
Fairgrounds	\$271.00
OnSolve LLC	
Contract	\$2,840.25
Dak Insurance	
Insurance	\$142.00
Martin Construction	
Rd & Bridge	\$2,975.40
Matthew Bender & Co	
Updates	\$362.96
Team Laboratory Chemical	
Supplies.....	\$2,039.50
Brosz Engineering	
Rd & Bridge	\$4,115.00
Mae McDanold	
Refund	\$350.30
Verizon Wireless	
Cell Phone	\$367.76
City of Beach	
Water & Garbage.....	\$694.35
MDU	
Electricity & Gas	\$1,652.68
RTC Networks	
Fax & Telephone.....	\$1,442.93
Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc	
Chemical.....	\$10,806.40
Farmers Union Oil	
Fuel & Supplies	\$1,212.33
AT&T Mobility	
Cell Phone	\$115.53
Library Disbursements	
.....	\$266.30
October Payroll.....	\$14,198.97
October Liabilities....	\$3,102.09
Café	\$200.00
Cenex Fleet Fuel	
Fuel.....	\$1,516.39
Troy Tescher - Travel ..	\$35.00
Darin Maus - Travel	\$18.20
Mark Egan	
Reimbursement	\$46.50
Rohan Hardware	
Supplies.....	\$5.99
Current business brought forward to the Board:	

• Discussion was held on SB 2027. No action was taken and will be re-addressed at the November 4th meeting.

• Commissioner Schmeling moved to join in as a cooperating agency with BLM in preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a revision to the current ND resource management plan (RMP) and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

• Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve an abatement on parcel #04777000 as the applicant qualified for

homestead credits and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

• Commissioner Schmeling moved to enter into a memorandum of understanding between the ND Secretary of State's Office and Golden Valley County in regards to election compliance and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

• Discussion was held on a request from Jacob Holkup, Volunteer Baseball Coach, requesting to do repairs to the building at the Legion Field. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve up to \$1,800 in funding to replace the steel door on the building and paint the building and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

• Discussion was held on the Court Facility Grant application. Some ideas discussed were to replace the chairs in the Courtroom in the jury box, electrical update in the Courtroom and adding a security door in the Clerk of Court office. No action was taken at this time. Clerk of Court Rachel Kehane will do research on cost of these projects.

• Commissioner Farstveet moved to appoint Zane Manhart as the ND State Fair delegate to represent the County and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

• NDACo conference is October 26-28.

• Discussion was held on the property that was turned back to the County due to delinquent taxes. It was agreed to set the minimal value at what is owed to the County for taxes and fees. Commissioner Smith moved to set

o Parcel #04461000 Lot 17-S 5' & 18-TR Less 225 sq. ft., Block 3, Original Beach, City of Beach, 58 1st Ave SE - Minimal Value of \$317.94

and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

o The Board set October 23rd at 10 a.m. as the date and time to hold a public hearing on the minimum value set for the property.

o The public auction for said property will be November

18, 2025 at 10 am in the County Commissioners Room in the Golden Valley County Courthouse.

• State's Attorney Wenko gave an update from her office.

Alexa Keller with Brady Martz met with the Board via telephone to review the 2024 County Audit draft. The Board will review the final audit for consideration of approval at the special meeting set for October 23rd.

10 a.m. was the advertised time for the public hearing to finalize the 2026 budgets and levy amounts. There was no public input.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to approve the following final levy amounts and final budgets as presented for 2026 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

General.....	\$323,466
Council on Aging.....	\$32,735
Veteran Service	\$11,000
SW Dist. 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
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

Misty Hayes was not able to meet with the Board at the scheduled time due to the government shut down.

Sheriff Dey Muckle met with Board to give them an update on grants he applied for. Sheriff Muckle requested from the Board to purchase a pepper gun for the Task Force as they are not able to get approval from their Board in time for the training and the Task Force will reimburse the County. Commissioner Farstveet moved to purchase a pepper gun in the amount of \$3,500 which will be reimbursed by the Task Force and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Muckle and the Board discussed and reviewed the 2026 Law Enforcement Contract with the City of Beach. Commissioner Farstveet moved to approve and sign the contract and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

Misty Hayes joined the meeting.

Road Foreman Pete Wirtzfeld and Andrew Krebs with KLJ and Gayle Cox with Brosz Engineering met with the Board. Discussion was held on a possible new road going from Buffalo Gap exit going north. No action was taken. Krebs gave the Board an update on the County Road 5 project. Krebs gave the Board an update on the Flex Funding. Highway 10 bridge made the short list for possible approval for the funding. Commissioner Bob moved to have KLJ start the survey process for the Highway 10 bridge replacement and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

Cox gave the Board an update on the County Road 11 structure replacement project. Commissioner smith signed section 00520 agreement form. Commissioner Schmeling moved to accept the work order proposal for professional services-construction engineering with Brosz Engineering, Inc for County Road 11 structure replacement in the amount of \$74,185 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

Various road topics were discussed.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to adjourn and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

ATTEST
Adam Smith, Chairman,
County Commissioners
Tamra Sperry, County Auditor
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GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS October 23, 2025

Golden Valley County Commission held a special meeting Oct. 23, 2025 in the commission room at the courthouse. Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m. Commissioners Robert Schmeling and Rory Farstveet, along with State's Attorney Christina Wenko were present for the meeting.

The purpose of this special meeting was to review the final draft of the 2024 audit for Gold-

en Valley County with Brady Martz.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to accept the 2024 audit as presented and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

ATTEST
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County Commissioners
Tamra Sperry, County Auditor
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Golden Valley County Commissioners held a special hearing Oct. 23, 2025 in the commissioners room at the courthouse. Chairman Adam Smith called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. Commissioner Robert Schmeling, along with State's Attorney Christina Wenko, Kim Gauglar, Channa Clarin and Ruth Clarin were present for the meeting.

This hearing is on the minimum sale price set by the Board of County Commissioners for the property turned back to Golden Valley County for unpaid taxes.

Commissioner Rory Farstveet joined the meeting.

There was no public participation. It was agreed to leave the minimum values that were set at the October 7th regular

meeting as stated below:

o Property 1: Parcel #04461000 Lots 17-S 5' & 18-TR A 10 Less 225 sq. ft., Block 3, Original Beach, City of Beach, 58 1st Ave SE - Minimal Value of \$317.94.

Commissioner Schmeling moved to leave the minimum value at \$317.94 and Commissioner Farstveet seconded. Roll call vote: Farstveet-aye, Schmeling-aye, Smith-aye. Motion carried.

10:00 a.m. is the time that the Board set for the Annual Sale on November 18, 2025 for that property.

Commissioner Farstveet moved to adjourn and Commissioner Schmeling seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

ATTEST
Adam Smith, Chairman,
County Commissioners
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ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 33-07-03.2 NURSING FACILITIES

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 33-07-03.2 relating to the nursing facility's activity training program at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, December 12, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in AV Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones offices and at the state-operated behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 22, 2025.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.
Dated this 30th day of October, 2025.

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 75-03-42 AUTHORIZED ELECTRONIC MONITORING

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-42 relating to authorized electronic recording and documentation at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 12, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones offices and at the state-operate behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 22, 2025.

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ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 75-03-39 AUTISM SERVICES WAIVER

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-39 relating to the age limit for eligibility under the autism services waiver at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 18, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones offices and at the state-operated behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 29, 2025.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.
Dated this 30th day of October, 2025.

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 75-02-01.2 TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAM

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-02-01.2 relating to definitions; diversion; transition assistance; decision and notice; monthly review; good cause; eligibility; asset limits and exempt assets; income, unearned income and deductions; reinstatement; benefit computation; essential services; payment; disqualification and sanctions; and the job opportunities and basic skills program for the temporary assistance for needy families program at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 12, 2025, in Bismarck, N.D. in AV Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones offices and at the state-operated behavioral health clinics. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 22, 2025.

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Dated this 30th day of October, 2025.