

# MINUTES

## ASHLEY CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

NOVEMBER 19, 2025  
The Ashley school board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 7:00pm in the conference room. Present: Ross Litsey, Jordan Jenner, Lyle Fey, Amy Schlepp, Corey Ulmer, Jason Schmidt, Chris Doane, Teresa Dockter.

Motion by Jenner to approve the agenda with one addition. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schlepp to approve the minutes of the October 8th meeting as written. Second by Ulmer, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jenner to approve payment of general fund bills (\$41,513.77) and building fund bill (\$2,720). Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously. Motion by Ulmer to approve financial reports as presented. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Lyle Fey is willing to rent his tractor to the school for snow removal at the same rate as last year--\$25 per hour with a \$750 minimum. Motion by Ulmer to

allow the conflict of interest declared by Fey. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously. Motion by Litsey to rent the tractor from Lyle Fey for snow removal at the rates specified. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve the contract for Jordan Montgomery for speech coach (\$825). Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously.

President Fey stated the superintendent evaluation was completed on November 2nd and Mr. Schmidt received satisfactory marks in all areas. Motion by Ulmer to approve the evaluation. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schmidt gave a report on the Cognia review that took place on November 5th. Staff Christmas party will be on January 2nd. Mr. Schmidt stated the hiring committee interviewed a candidate for the Ag teacher position. A contract was offered, however the candidate did not accept. Will continue to advertise the position.

Mr. Schmidt's report: 1) Ap-

proved a WR club fundraiser 2) Provided information on an adult VB league to be held on Sunday nights; 3) Final on-time funding figure will be an additional \$160,000, however we've already lost 3 students from the count it was based on so will be a subtraction of about \$50,000 next year; 4) Will receive an additional \$734 in Title funding; 5) Reported on progress of elementary standards workshops; 6) Approved for \$3,000 from Endowment fund for sensory furniture for special ed; 7) Infinite Campus implementation plans are underway--will require bi-weekly meetings with administration team; 8) Submitted professional development, curriculum, and assessment reports to DPI--all were approved so won't need to submit again until 2027.

Mr. Doane's report: 1) Will be doing the 12 days of Christmas for the staff again--school board will provide a breakfast for one of the days; 2) Christmas concert on 12/15; 3) Winter sports have started, good numbers in most, however JHGBB & JHBBB will include 6th graders; 4) Track coach interviews on 11/25--Ulmer & Litsey will be

on committee; 5) Josh Hoffman will help on the floor during girls wrestling tournaments.

Next meeting will be December 10, 2025 at 7:00pm. Motion by Jenner to adjourn, second by Schlepp. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 7:58pm. (Dec. 17, 2025)

Ashley School District ASHLEY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT 11/18/2025 9:44 AM Vendor Name, Description, Amount	
Checking 1	
Checking 1, Fund: 01 GENERAL FUND	
ANDERSON-BENDER, KRISTI, 2 SEM HRS	250.00
ANNE CARLSEN CENTER, TUITION	12,453.76
ASHLEY SUPER VALU, PT CONF SUPPLIES	40.46
CHRISTIANSON, DEAN, DEF DRIVE COURSE	50.00
CHS RIVER PLAINS, BUS FUEL	2,258.27
CITY OF ASHLEY, WATER/SEWER/GARBAGE	279.65
COLE PAPERS INC, CUST SUPPLIES	503.17
DANSIE CURRICULUM DESIGN LLC, TITLE MATH MATERIALS	299.00
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS, MANAGED SERVICE/PHONES	2,631.72
DOCKTER, TODD, DEF DRIVE COURSE	50.00
E&H COMMUNICATIONS LLC,	

MINUTES	135.24
ECKROTH MUSIC COMPANY, MOUTHPIECE	55.65
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC, LIB BOOKS	330.75
G&G IMPLEMENT, REPAIR PARTS	37.36
GERRELLS SPORT CENTER INC, MAT TAPE	327.00
GLAESMANN, STEVEN, PIANO TUNING	225.00
HERTZBERG-NEW METHOD INC, LIB BOOKS	780.46
J.W.PEPPER & SON INC, MUSIC	39.99
LINK'S DO IT BEST, CUST SUPPLIES	177.06
LIPPERT, KELSI, REIMB CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	32.99
LOGAN COUNTY, VALUATION EST FEE	2.80
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES, ELECTRICITY/HEAT	5,965.18
NADINE JULSON, LLC, REMAINING AUDIT FEE 24/25	1,600.00
ND COUNCIL EDUCATIONAL LEADERS, ADMIN CONF REGISTRATIONS	575.00
ND SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION, LEGAL COUNSEL	97.50
NEWHOUSE, FRED, DEF DRIVE COURSE	50.00
POPP BINDING & LAMINATING INC, LAM FILM	183.47
RENAISSANCE LEARNING INC, STAR ESSENTIAL SUITE SUB	2,239.00
S CENTRAL PRAIRIE SPECIAL ED, Q1 SPEECH	5,881.30
SALZER ELECTRIC, REPAIRS	252.70
SCHAUER, LARRY, MEAL-CAREER FAIR	10.08

SCHMIDT, JASON, DEF DRIVE COURSE	50.00
SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEE, FEES	206.50
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED INC, ACCT SYSTEM CONVERT TO ONLINE FEE	1,066.00
TRIPLE J AUTO BODY & REPAIR, LLC, REPAIRS-SUBURBAN	1,948.31
WESTSIDE HEATING & AC, PROPANE	428.40
Fund Total: 41,513.77	
Checking Account Total: 41,513.77	
Building Fund: G&R Controls 2,720.00 Repair Parts	
GENERAL FUND BILLS PAID BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS	
NOVEMBER 2025	
PAID TO, DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT	
Madison National Life, Disability	403.85
Learnwell, Fees	373.38
City of Ashley, Water/sewer/garbage	355.50
MDU, Electricity	3,108.69
WT Cox Information Services, Library Magazines	197.85
Popplers Music, Music	74.85
Visa, Lib books/Spec Ed supplies/Trackwrestling/Repair parts/PT conf fee	845.20
Anne Carlsen Center, Tuition	12,563.22
BSN Sports, Staff shirts	743.69
Swank, Streaming license	1,000.00
(Dec. 17, 2025)	

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