

Basketball Standings - District 8

Class B Boys Basketball, Feb. 16, 2026

	Dist. 8	Overall
Central McLean	8-0	18-0
Wilton-Wing	7-1	15-3
Washburn	6-2	12-6
New Salem-Almont	5-3	13-4
Garrison	3-4	8-10
Flasher	2-5	8-9
White Shield	2-5	6-11
Center-Stanton	1-6	2-13
Mandaree	0-7	1-16

Last Week’s Results - District 8

Garrison 64 Linton/Hazelton-Moffit-Braddock 58
Washburn 66 Hettinger/Scranton 31
New Salem-Almont 64 Belfield 53
St. John 69 White Shield 52
Flasher 63 Glen Ullin/Hebron 53
Central McLean 63 Garrison 42
Washburn 60 New Salem-Almont 59
Mandaree 45 Center-Stanton 40

2026 Class B Districts 7 & 8 Girls Basketball Tournaments

District 7 Tournament at Bowman Feb. 14 Quarterfinals

#1 Grant County/Mott-Regent 58
#8 New England 42
#4 South Heart 47 #5 Hettinger/Scranton 29
#2 Bowman County 54 #7 Belfield 34
#6 Beach 61 #3 Richardton-Taylor 43
Feb. 16 Consolation Semi-finals
New England 42 Hettinger/Scranton 40
Richardton-Taylor 57 Belfield 47
Semi-finals
Grant County/Mott-Regent 55
South Heart 45
Beach 50 Bowman County 47

Feb. 17 Region Qualifiers
Bowman County (9-12) vs. New England (2-18)
South Heart (14-7) vs. Richardton-Taylor (12-9)
Championship
Grant County/Mott-Regent (15-6) vs. Beach (11-9)

Feb. 10 District 8 Play-in at Center
#8 Center-Stanton 56 #9 White Shield 20

District 8 Tournament at Garrison High School Feb. 13 Quarterfinals

#1 Flasher 51 #8 Center-Stanton 25
#4 Washburn 40 #5 New Salem-Almont 25
#2 Central McLean 79 #7 Mandaree 45

Turtle Lake City February Meeting

City Commission Meeting Minutes (unapproved)
February 9th, 2026
Call to Order: Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
In Attendance:
Commissioners: Dianne Zenker, Matt Lang, Stacie Adams, Tim Britton, Rick Schwalk
Auditor: Position currently vacant
Also Present: Moore Engineering, Michelle Pickett, Charlie Davison
Public Attendance: 3
Review of prior meeting minutes: January 12th, 2026 – Regular City Commission Meeting
Motion to approve minutes of January 12th, 2026, meeting as presented: Made by: Britton
Seconded by: Adams
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
January 15th, 2026 – Special Meeting
Motion to approve minutes of January 15th, 2026, meeting as presented: Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Lang
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Review of financial reports & bills as presented: Review and discussion
Motion to approve financial reports and bills as presented: Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Britton
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Public Comment Period:
No public comment requests
Moore Engineering Project Updates: Sewer Lining Project (USDA): The engineer’s report was provided to the commissioners.
February 10th HK Solutions will be here to address two lines in need of spot repairs. They will also be televising the lines.
This project will be completed after this step.
An amendment to the Owner Engineer Agreement was provided by Moore.
Moore Engineering recommended adopting the Amendment
Motion to approve contract Amendment No. 1
Made by: Schwalk
Seconded by: Britton
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Phase 2 Sewer CDBG Project
Rehabilitation of Charles and Kundert streets.
Will schedule a meeting in March or early April to get started for this year.
Street Project
In preparation for the upcoming spring and summer construction, commissioners requested clear and timely updates from Moore and all contractors regarding road closures and residential access to affected areas.
Designs for improved drainage on Kundert St. near the hospital were reviewed. No action was taken; however, direction was given to proceed with the presented design.
Other areas with poor drainage were discussed, including Main St at both ends.
Developments for 1st Ave E were discussed, and option 1 was selected.
Drainage concerns were raised; drainage could be made worse if paved.
Charles Street: options were presented and reviewed; it was decided to move forward with option 1.
TL-M School Parking Lots Discussion
The School would like to work along side the City to repave the school parking lot and the south staff parking lot.
Moore Engineering inquired whether the City would consider adding the school’s parking lots as an alternate to the current Street Project so the work could be included in the special assessment bond. Under this approach, the associated costs would be assessed to the school. This would allow the school to coordinate its project jointly with the City. To date, Moore has no agreements signed with the school. The School project would be a separate project for Moore Engineering, with separate design and construction.
Motion to approve: Made by: Britton
Seconded by: Schwalk
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Estimate draw request for post construction dollars which can be reimbursed Rural Development

Motion to approve the draw request: Made by: Britton
Seconded by: Schwalk
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Consideration was given to conducting an annual audit, and a discussion followed. There was limited interest in pursuing an outside audit, as the State completed one in 2024.
New Business
Titan Accessories for Payloader – review bids 2 bids, Titan and John Deere
The equipment being bid on are pallet forks and a man basket.
Bids were reviewed, and a discussion was held.
Motion to approve the purchase and accept the bid by John Deere: Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Britton
Commissioner Schwalk expressed a preference for separating the equipment items and purchasing only the pallet forks.
Mayor Zenker reminded commissioners that there was a motion on the floor
Roll Call Vote: Adams-yes, Britton -yes, Schwalk - no, Lang-no
Vote resulted in a tie, Mayor Zenker vote- yes
Outcome: Motion carried
Tree removal on Main
\$6500 estimate received
Licensed and insured
EDC will cover the cost
Bank Signatures
With the change in Auditors, the City will be removing former Auditor Joe Herslip
remove Joe add Michelle At True Community and Credit union
Motion to approve the removal of Joe Herslip, and addition of Michelle Pickett for all the accounts at TruCommunity Bank and all of the accounts at Dakota West Credit Union :
Made by: Schwalk
Seconded by: Lang
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Ordinance regarding empty business building
To be reviewed at a future meeting
Part-time summer help
Looking to hire up to 20 hours a week
Mowing, lagoon work and other tasks assigned
Charlie Davison – consider a flat monthly salary
On hold
Joe Herslip was approached to serve as an independent contractor to assist the City as a project manager for the upcoming Street Project and a potential building project. He has extensive experience with financing, and commissioners noted that his background would be a valuable asset. The Commission discussed a rate of \$50 per hour for up to 20 hours per month, with any additional hours requiring approval from the City Commissioners.
Motion to approve: Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Schwalk
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Airport Insurance
The Airport requested assistance with paying its \$1,500 insurance premium. With limited revenue and anticipated expenditures for possible upgrades, the Airport is seeking financial support to allow them to focus resources on the improvements recommended by the State.
Motion to approve assistance of \$1000.00 to the Airport Board: Made by: Schwalk
Seconded by: Adams
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Old Business Report
Report Consideration of Sale – City-Owned Lots
Kundert Street – Demo cost - \$10,000 (K&L Bobcat- 03/2020)
Motion to advertise the property on Kundert St. for sale: Made by: Adams

Seconded by: No Second
Roll Call Vote: None
Outcome: Motion Failed for lack of Second
Walnut Street- Demo cost \$8,500 (K&L Bobcat – 07/2024)
Motion to advertise the property on Walnut St. for sale: Made by: Schwalk
Seconded by: Britton
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Lincoln Drive – Did not get any bids for \$7,400
There were no bidders for the Lincoln Drive property at the listed price of \$7,500. The City will reduce the price, and the neighboring property owners on either side will be offered the opportunity to purchase it.
Motion to approve: Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Schwalk
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Update on Smart Meters – Kevin’s Plumbing & Heating
All meters have been installed with the exception of the school field, which will be completed this spring.
City oil container located behind Harry’s
Emptied
Will contact the City each September
Update on Black Mountain Software – Citizen Portal
Beat Zone & Call for Service Report
Adjournment
Motion to adjourn
Made by: Adams
Seconded by: Schwalk
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion carried
Next Regular Meeting Date: March 9th, 2026
Financials by: Dianne Zenker
DATE CHECK VENDOR NAME CHECK ISSUED NUMBER AMOUNT
1/9/2026 EFT CHARLES DAVIS 415.57; 1/9/2026 EFT JOE HERSLIP 1752.88; 1/9/2026 EFT IAN OLSON 1410.6; 1/9/2026 EFT MICHELLE PICKETT 253.96; 01/16/26 EFT USA Payment 3924.53; 01/16/26 EFT BUSINESS CARD 869.62; 01/16/26 EFR BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ND 749.45; 01/16/26 EFT AMAZON 182.56; 01/16/26 EFT MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES 253.18; 01/16/26 EFT MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES 259.24; 01/16/26 26784 BOBCAT OF MANDAN INC 1675.81; 01/16/26 26785 CENTRAL DAKOTA FRONTIER CO-OPERATIVE 864.78; 01/16/26 26786 DOUBLE M SANITATION 7500.00; 01/16/26 26787 FIRST DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT 230.00; 01/16/26 26788 FLASH PRINTING 242.51; 01/16/26 26789 MCLEAN SHERIDAN RURAL WATER 6221.55; 01/16/26 26790 ND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 27.00; 01/16/26 26791 NEW AGE HEATING AND AIR 5500.00; 01/16/26 26792 NorDak North Publications 176.20; 01/16/26 26793 ONE CALL CONCEPTS 3.00; 01/16/26 26794 RK ELECTRIC 261.67; 01/16/26 26795 RUSTS HARDWARE HANK 623.97; 01/22/26 EFT OTTER TAIL POWER CO 1446.51; 01/22/26 EFT MCLEAN ELECTRIC 307.74; 01/22/26 EFT WEST RIVER TELEPHONE 266.36; 01/23/26 26796 HETLETVED 275.00; 01/23/26 26797 MCLEAN-SHERIDAN RURAL WATER 1866.90; 01/23/26 26798 MOORE ENGINEERING INC 59100.89; 01/23/26 26799 VERIZON BUSINESS 91.15; 01/23/26 EFT CHARLES DAVIS 318.61; 01/23/26 EFT JOE HERSLIP 1733.87; 01/23/26 EFT IAN OLSON 1494.57; 01/23/26 EFT DIANNE ZENKER 2994.25; 01/23/26 EFT MICHELLE PICKETT 461.75; 01/29/26 EFT TRUCOMMUNITY BANK 5.00; 01/29/26 EFT TRUCOMMUNITY BANK 5.00; 01/29/26 EFT BUSINESS CARD 49.01 (Feb. 19, 2026)

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