Morton County Commission Proceedings

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2026

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on October 27, 2026 at 5:30 PM by Chair Boehm at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota.

Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Buckley, Morrell and Tokach and Auditor Rhone. Also present were States Attorney Koppy and Sheriff Kirchmeier.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the agenda with an addition. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Tokach seconded to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2026 regular meeting.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Morrell seconded to approve bills and payroll. On a roll call, all voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve Operation Green Light for Veteran Service Recognition for the period of November 4-11, 2026 and to authorize the Chair to sign the Declaration supporting this.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to authorize placement of a sign in honor of PFC Adolph Wetsch, who was killed in action in WWII, at the Judson bridge on County Road 84 with the County Highway Department supporting the installation. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chair Boehm opened a public hearing at 6:04 PM on the 2nd reading of Resolution 30-2026-2 to lift the moratorium on data centers and cryptocurrency mining facilities.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:05 PM.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to adopt Resolution 30-2026-02 to lift the moratorium on the development of all data center and cryptocurrency mining facilities in Morton County. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Tokach seconded to forward the complaint of the car junkyard lot in Huff to the Planning & Zoning Board agenda for October 28, 2026. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to deny abatement #7250. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatement #7251. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatements #7252-7253. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve abatements #7254-7255. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve abatements #7256-7257. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatements #7258-7259. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to accept the low bid from RDO Equipment for the purchase of 2 John Deere 2027 Model 772P motorgraders and wings at a total cost of $662,000 and authorizing the ordering of the motorgraders and wings for delivery after 1/1/27. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to execute the NDDOT Annual Maintenance Certification. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve the minimum sale prices for delinquent real estate as presented. On a roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and seconded to appoint Donald Wanner to a 4 year term expiring 7/31/2030 on the Morton County Weed Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Public Comment period as required by NDCC 44-04-20.1 was opened at 8:05 PM. There was no public comment and comment period was closed at 8:06 PM.

The total of all county funds expended from October 9, 2026 through October 27, 2026 equals $1,788,350.13.

A detailed list of funds expended by check is available for public inspection anytime during regular business hours at the Morton County Auditor's Office.

Chair Boehm adjourned the meeting at 8:06 PM.

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