

# MINUTES/NEWS

## City of Ashley

### Board of Equalization

ASHLEY CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Board of Equalization  
Monday April 13, 2026, 6:00 P.M.  
ASHLEY CITY HALL

President Geiszler called meeting to order at 6 PM, Kosel, Newhouse, Geiszler, Kroh, Glaesmann, Dahl. Mayor Schock absent. Also present, Todd Dockter, Steve Thompson. Paula Patterson for newspaper.

Tax Assessment were discussed. Residential and Commercial values increase 7.2 and 5.6% respectively. Dahl moved to accept the Assessors Valuation. Kosel second. Unanimous.

### Council Minutes

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(Moore Engineering via Teams), April Nies, and Abbey Hoffman. Paula Patterson for newspaper.

Topics Discuss:  
ACRC License, EDC, Grants  
Unanimous Motions:

Dahl; Approve the agenda. Kroh 2nd. Kosel; Approve March 9th, 2026 minutes Glaesmann 2nd

Dahl; Ashley Outdoors, LLC changed dba to The Grumpy Goose. Glaesmann 2nd. Kroh abstaining. Dahl; Street closure, Saturday August 1st for The Grumpy Goose street Dance. Geiszler 2nd. Kroh abstaining. Dahl; Sell lots 15,16 Block 61 to Erich Kroh \$934. Kosel 2nd. Kroh abstaining.

Kosel; Moore Sewer Reline Invoice SIN008356 \$10,302.50. Dahl second. Newhouse Moore Sewer Reline Invoice SIN008324 in the amount of \$5,547.50. Glaesmann second. Unanimous Dahl; Purchase trailer and trimmer. Glaesmann 2nd.

Newhouse; 1st Reading of the Model Amendment Floorplan Management. Kroh 2nd. Unanimous. Kosel; Advertise for a Water Supervisor. Dahl 2nd.

Kosel; Appoint Sid Gross the HRA Board. Dahl 2nd.  
Financials:

1130 McIntosh County Bank	
NDPERS.....	\$2,105.48
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IRS \$3,086.87	
Vestis.....	\$159.93
MDU.....	\$309.36
MDU.....	\$380.40
MDU.....	\$178.14
MDU.....	\$299.02
MDU.....	\$228.69
MDU.....	\$1,528.86
MDU.....	\$680.43
MDU.....	\$3,390.64
JOB SERVICE OF ND.....	\$125.00
MCINTOSH CO. BANK.....	\$32.45
AFLAC Traditional and Direct.....	\$33.96
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CHS.....	\$1,170.42
MDU.....	\$155.57
MDU.....	\$198.85
MDU.....	\$1,738.71
MDU.....	\$88.55
MDU.....	\$214.27
MDU.....	\$146.67
MDU.....	\$106.01
MDU.....	\$628.32
Advance Business Methods.....	\$122.79
Ashley Airport Authority.....	\$1,348.49
Ashley Public Library.....	\$1,348.50
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.....	\$665.00
G & G.....	\$388.94

JDA.....	\$1,348.49
KEVIN FORSMAN.....	\$527.82
North Dakota League of Cities.....	\$200.00
SCRWD.....	\$16,170.55
Wood, Kenneth.....	\$7.48
ASHLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.....	\$75.00
Ashley Park District.....	\$2,948.50
JDA.....	\$2,094.87
Hagel, Daniel.....	\$75.00
BADGER METER INC.....	\$34.51
G & G.....	\$166.00
ND Sewage Pump & Lift.....	\$675.00
RITWAY BUSINESS FORMS.....	\$192.29
SCRWD.....	\$16,172.55
Triple J Auto Body & Repair..	\$1,765.00
Visa.....	\$199.49
Ashley Super Valu.....	\$9.57
BROWN COUNTY LANDFILL.....	\$1,601.81
Links Do It Best.....	\$61.96
MOORE ENGINEERING, INC.....	\$9,023.51
ND Dept of Health.....	\$27.00
PITNEY BOWES INC.....	\$451.80
Sanitation Products.....	\$117.34
TEAM LAB INNOVATIONS... ..	\$2,109.00
Valley Plains Equipment.....	\$53.46
April Nies.....	\$60.00
KEVIN FORSMAN.....	\$67.24

TODD DOCKTER.....	\$174.00
Doane, Christopher J.....	\$109.20
Forsman, Kevin.....	\$1,862.98
Dickson, Alexander.....	\$183.72
Dockter, Todd.....	\$1,792.54
Lippert, Todd.....	\$1,497.80
Nies, April.....	\$392.95
Willis, Isaac.....	\$305.44
Doane, Christopher J.....	\$109.20
Forsman, Kevin.....	\$1,862.98
Nitschke, Barbara A.....	\$387.87
Dickson, Alexander.....	\$275.36
Dockter, Todd.....	\$1,871.67
Lippert, Todd.....	\$1,653.40
Nies, April.....	\$879.22
Willis, Isaac.....	\$300.36
Total Checks.....	\$93,709.13
Kroh moved to approve the financials and claim vouchers. Glaesmann second. Unanimous.	
Adjourn meeting 9:15 pm.	
May 11th, 2026, regular meeting 6:30 pm.	
MINUTES SUBJECT TO COUNCIL REVIEW AND REVISION	
Kevin Forsman, City Auditor	
Erich Schock, Mayor	
(April 22, 2026)	

### Council from front: Grant writing will focus on hydrants, lighting, garbage trucks

as weather warms. The city expects formal notice this summer on a major Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) grant that could fund 75% of a \$1.4 million sewer project.

Economic Development Coordinator April Nies reported on her first three weeks in the position, noting her focus is community enrichment. She outlined early projects including ribbon cuttings, a business photo day, a summer reading program, and ongoing grant work with Abbey Hoffman. She also introduced the idea of using the Living Local computer application as a potential platform for a redesigned city website. The

current site needs updates to both content and layout. Nies will attend an Economic Development Summer Conference in May, where the council encouraged her to explore what platforms other cities are using.

Nies is also active with the Chamber and its events, and council members commended her for the work she has completed so far.

Nies and Hoffman requested a list of priorities for grant writing. The group narrowed the focus to hydrants, City Hall lighting updates and garbage truck grants.

Nathan and Lexie Weszner updated the council on their pending business name change. They own the Stein

Haus, purchased under an LLC, and requested their liquor license be updated to reflect the new DBA. The name change to the Grumpy Goose was approved.

The council will advertise the open public works position for one month to replace Dockter, who noted that street sweeping will begin soon, followed by tarring. The council discussed street repairs and plans to continue the conversation at the next meeting.

### Banquet from page 5: All are invited. Contact the church for more info

North Dakota history to do so. His catalog includes five albums of positive western-style country, a Christmas album, two Country Gospel albums, and even an EP recorded in Japanese.

Despite his global reach, Hager remains grounded in his North Dakota roots. He lives in southeast North Dakota near his family's homestead with his wife and three children. Known for his professionalism and warm, family-friendly presence, he embraces the unpredictability of life on the road. As Chris LeDoux famously said, "Life IS a ride!" — a sentiment Hager carries with him from stage to stage.

The Ashley Baptist Church invites all area seniors to enjoy the evening's meal and music. With Hager's

heartfelt storytelling and the community's tradition of hospitality, the banquet promises to be a memorable spring gathering. Contact the

church at 288-3302 or 701-321-5701 to reserve a spot.



## Gardener's Greenhouse

311 2<sup>nd</sup> St W, Zeeland  
701-423-5623

**OPEN 6 DAYS A WEEK**

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Julie Richards~Owner

**Open May 2**



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## Understanding the Medicare Annual Wellness Visit

### How You Benefit From This Important Medicare Benefit

A Medicare Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) is a preventive visit with your provider and a great opportunity to focus on issues or concerns that may be overlooked in a routine physical exam.

During the visit, your healthcare team will help you develop a long-term, preventive care plan to guide your health.



#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If you have Medicare Part B coverage and have not had a Medicare Annual Wellness Visit or a Welcome to Medicare Visit in the past 12 months, you may be eligible. If you are unsure, please contact your insurance provider to verify eligibility.

#### IS THE MEDICARE ANNUAL WELLNESS VISIT THE SAME AS A YEARLY PHYSICAL?

**No.** During a yearly physical, your provider is focused on chronic illnesses and performing routine lab work. The Medicare Annual Wellness Visit **focuses on your overall health and wellbeing.** Together with your provider, you will create a personalized, preventive health plan that addresses things like lifestyle changes, goals and preferences. Plus, your provider can assess and address any issues before they become urgent.

#### WHAT DOES THE MEDICARE AWV COST?

Patients pay nothing out-of-pocket for this visit. During your visit, **if you require further tests or screenings** other than those outlined in the appointment overview, a **co-payment or deductible expense may occur.**

#### APPOINTMENT OVERVIEW, WHAT TO EXPECT:

<input type="checkbox"/> Review your medical and family history	<input type="checkbox"/> Measurement of blood pressure, height and weight
<input type="checkbox"/> Review your current medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Review of movement ability and risk of falls
<input type="checkbox"/> Review your list of current care providers	<input type="checkbox"/> Advance Care Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Screen for memory and behavioral changes	

With this information, your provider will develop a written preventive health and screening plan.