

Cavalier County Commission Proceedings

On September 1, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. the Board of Commissioners of Cavalier County, North Dakota, met at the Cavalier County Courthouse in regular session, with all members present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Austin Lafrenz called the meeting to order and proceeded as follows: Lafrenz asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Nick Moser made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Greg Goodman; motion carried. Shane Gallagher made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Stanley Dick; motion carried. At 8:45 a.m. Nick Moser made a motion to recess the meeting for the second public hearing regarding amendments to the Planning & Zoning Regulations, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried. With nobody in attendance other than zoning board members, at 8:55 a.m. Nick Moser made a motion to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the regular commission meeting, seconded by Stanley Dick, motion carried. Nick Moser made a motion to adopt the amendments to the Planning and Zoning Regulations, seconded by Shane Gallagher, motion carried. Greg Goodman made a motion for the county to gift the generator located at the water tower (401 14th Ave, Langdon) to Langdon City and turn the MDU bill for the generator over to the city, seconded by Shane Gallagher, motion carried. Angelo Mondragon, State's Attorney, met with the commissioners to request approval for up to 30

days of unpaid leave for Laura Schill, per the employee policy manual. Nick Moser made a motion to approve up to 30 days of unpaid leave for Laura Schill through December 31, 2026, seconded by Greg Goodman, motion carried. Greg Goodman gave an update on the last strategic planning meeting regarding employee and county involvement in the community. Goodman asked that the employee policy manual be updated to allow employees 10-12 hours per month for community involvement. The following gave department updates: Steph Welsh – Public Health; Vicki Kubat – County Recorder; Anita Beauchamp – Clerk of Court; Paige Welsh – Tax Director; Josh Short – Weed Control; and Jill Denault – NVHSZ. Terry Johnston, Road Supervisor; and Sheldon Romfo, Road Foreman; met with the commissioners to review current road projects. Greg Goodman made a motion to approve a culvert request from Banner Township for a culvert between Sections 25 and 26; and a culvert between Sections 35 and 36, seconded by Nick Moser, motion carried. There was discussion regarding beaver control around the US Fish & Wildlife property in the southwest corner of the county. The Water Board had contracted with Josh Short to trap beavers. Stanley Dick suggested also contracting with Dan Hanson out of Bismarck. Greg Goodman made a motion for the county to contact with Josh Short and/or Dan Hanson at the direction of the road department, as needed, seconded by Nick Moser, mo-

tion carried. Snowplow operator pay for the 2026-2027 season was discussed. Greg Goodman made a motion to pay a guaranteed \$950 monthly base pay (November through April), which covers the first required 20 hours each month, then pay \$47.50 per hour for any hours beyond the 20 hours, seconded by Shane Gallagher, motion carried. Austin Lafrenz gave an update on his phone call with ND DOT regarding the damage done to county and township roads during the Highway 1 project. Lafrenz reported that Knife River was willing to bring a crusher to blend 1,500 yards of millings and gravel, but they would not haul it. Lafrenz will follow up on the quantity. Jeff Daley, KJL, met with the commissioners and gave an update on the current road projects. Estimated timing of October or November for the next Prairie Dog payment from the state was also discussed. Nick Moser made a motion, seconded by Stanley Dick to review and approve the following audit of claims; motion carried:

•VISA | \$1,972.41 | NVHSZ•VERIZON WIRELESS | \$1,271.06 | NVHSZ•U.S. POSTAL SERVICE | \$82.00 | MISC•ND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT | \$139,750.64 | HEALTH INS•ND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT | \$1,112.56 | LIFE INS•ND STATE TREASURER | \$307.12 | FEES•TRI-STATE PAVING INC | \$53,650.00 | R&B•LANGDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE | \$210.00 | COMM•BUSINESS ESSENTIALS | \$136.31 | CLERK•BUSINESS ESSENTIALS | \$1,062.02 | TREAS•COMPUTER EXPRESS | \$1,500.00

| MISC•DAKOTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS | \$299.99 | MISC•ND SPELLING BEE | \$396.00 | AUD•BUSINESS ESSENTIALS | \$18.30 | AUD•STANLEY DICK | \$91.20 | COMM•ANITA BEAUCHAMP | \$20.99 | CLERK•LANGDON AREA SCHOOL DIST # 23 | \$100.00 | DISP•COMPUTER EXPRESS | \$575.00 | SHERIFF•PEMBINA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE | \$2,400.00 | SHERIFF•SIRCHIE, LLC | \$91.70 | SHERIFF•ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS | \$204.22 | SHERIFF•D & B MOTORS, INC. | \$554.76 | SHERIFF•BORDERLAND PRESS, INC. | \$77.10 | SHERIFF•MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES | \$185.36 | GEN/R&B•ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS | \$532.81 | GEN•WIDMER ROEL | \$25,005.52 | MISC•DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION | \$2,776.06 | PRAIRIE DOG•RAZOR TRACKING, INC. | \$325.00 | R&B•NORTHEAST REGIONAL WATER | \$56.50 | R&B•HANNAH COMMUNITY GARBAGE | \$450.00 | R&B•CLOSE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. | \$9,679.75 | R&B•JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL | \$1,183.62 | R&B•LAHNI STACHLER | \$328.32 | NDSU EXT. •JOSHUA SHORT | \$348.08 | WEED•MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES | \$25.52 | WEED•LANGDON HARDWARE & RENTAL | \$155.95 | WEED•OTTER TAIL POWER CO | \$50.56 | WEED•BUSINESS ESSENTIALS | \$8.30 | NDSU EXT. •ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS | \$224.21 | NDSU EXT. •MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES | \$25.52 | SS•HOLLY FETSCH | \$54.72 | NVHSZ•BLAINE PAPENFUSS | \$50.00 | NVHSZ•RO-

RY JOHNSON | \$600.00 | NVHSZ•D
& B MOTORS, INC. | \$304.25 |
NVHSZ•BUSINESS ESSENTIALS
| \$222.50 | NVHSZ•QUILL LLC |
\$30.22 | NVHSZ•DOCU SHRED INC.
| \$64.21 | NVHSZ•SCHUMACHER &
SONS | \$1,065.66 | NVHSZ•VES-
TIS | \$145.66 | NVHSZ•AD-
VANCED BUSINESS METHODS |
\$467.67 | NVHSZ•DALE'S BODY
SHOP | \$994.66 | NVHSZ•CAVA-
LIER COUNTY HEALTH | \$50.00 |

NVHSZ•BIRCHWOOD | \$996.55 |
NVHSZ•CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE
| \$835.50 | MAINT

At 11:20 a.m., Greg Goodman made
a motion to adjourn the meeting, sec-
onded by Shane Gallagher; motion
carried.

Cavalier County, North Dakota

Austin Lafrenz – Chairman

Attest: Lisa Gellner – Auditor