

LEGALS

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MUSIC INC 94.94; PROFESSIONAL AUTO BODY LLC 50.00; PS CUSTOM EMBROIDERY 72.00; QUADRIENT LEASING 233.97; RANDY'S WELDING 123.24; ROCHESTER 853.86; SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION 110.50; SCHOOL SPECIALTY 165.74; SHELL OIL 49.69; SOFTWARE UNLIMITED 8,300.00; SOUTHWEST HEALTH CARE 124.00; STEIN'S, INC 1,659.76; STRAUB HEATING & COOLING LLC 159.00; SWEETWATER MUSIC EDUCATION 13.90; WEST RIVER STUDENT SERVICES 3,932.77; WEX FLEET UNIVERSAL 1,034.37; WOODLEY CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY 1,007.03

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Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on April 21, 2026 at City Hall at 4:00 PM.

Present: President Lyn James, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Sara Bullis, Myron Vail, Chief Headley, Steve Ness, Todd Hofland, Shannon Hewson, Aaron Allen, Pete Knopp, Darren Limesand, Troy Nogosek, Trevor Bergerson, Mike Snow, Peggy Allen, Stacy McGee, Jeff Gooss, Scott Hardy, Teran Doerr, Jason Bullis, and Kevin Buchholz. **Absent:** Benji Schaaf

President James called the meeting order at 4:00 pm. Allen requested to add Lucky Goose's Special Event Permit request to the agenda. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the amended agenda. RCV= all aye, MC.

Direct Deposit: \$36,602.24; **Checks #** 14998 – 15012; **Voided Checks:** None; **Bills:** AT & T \$890.70, Bowman Auto Parts \$63.14, Bowman Park and Rec \$4,950.00, Fallon County Treasurer \$6,303.20, Herb Erickson \$59.00, JK Excavation & Construction \$600.00, John Derre Financial \$260.99, Slope Electric \$1,209.00, Southwest Healthcare Services \$125.00, Stacy McGee \$160.72, State of ND Chemistry Lab \$57.18, Summit Fire Protection \$721.00, SW District Health Unit \$60.00, and Swanston Equipment Corporation \$957.85.

Tax and Tourism Check: #15000

Tax and Tourism Bills: Bowman County Development Corporation \$5,000.00

BROSZ ENGINEERING – HEWSON:

Water Tank Project: All funding is allocated for this biennium; so we are on the deferred list, it could be July of 2027 before we get funding. Bids are supposed to open on Tuesday; there is \$1.65 million dollars that we were waiting on funding for so we should cancel the bid. Hewson met with Vail and James earlier and discussed that we probably don't want to move forward without the funding. Hewson wants to issue the letter he presented to the Commission which cancels the bid opening until further notification of funding from DWR. Motion by Schaaf, second by Vail to cancel the bid opening and table this project until we know about future funding. RCV= all aye, MC. Hewson will send out the letter to the appropriate places.

Sewer Rehab Project: The sewer bid opening is at 2:00 pm at City Hall on Tuesday April 28th.

Fire Hall Zoning Permit: Allen asked Hewson if the drainage plan had been reviewed for the Fire Hall, as it was a condition of giving the Zoning Permit. Hewson said there is enough drainage and Allen can issue the permit.

HOFLAND – STREET/VECTOR/LANDFILL DEPTS.:

Dept. Head Report: Everything is running smoothly.

NESS - WATER AND SEWER DEPT.:
Dept Head Report: The new hire is starting on the 4th of May. Ness went to Scranton to help with a sewer backup. There are lots of people wanting water turned on but he prefers to have warmer weather incase they have to dig the curb stops.

CHIEF HEADLEY – POLICE DEPT.:

Activity Report for 4/6/26 – 4/19/26: Incidents: 2 (traffic stop and criminal trespass); Calls for Service: 36 (extra patrol-12, lockout-3, public relations-3, criminal trespass-3, motorist assist, information report, periodic checks,

traffic hazard, unsecured premises, dog or cat running at large, notice against trespass, vagrancy, alarm, accident property damage, 911 hangup, suspicious person, agency assistance, unattended child, and civil standby); Traffic Stops: 38 (verbal warning-15, citation-13, written warning-9, and arrest); and Arrests: 1 (criminal offense, driving while suspended.)

Old Axon Taser Police Equipment Sale: The police department would like to sell their old taser equipment since we went to Taser 10's. Equipment is: 4 tasers with battery backs, wall mounts, and holsters in the amount of \$7,250.00. Another neighboring agency is interested in them. Axon wouldn't give us very much for a trade in value when we got the new ones. The funds from the sale would go back into their equipment fund. The Commission is okay with selling them to another agency. Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to approve the Police Department selling their package of four Taser 7's. RCV= all aye, MC.

Unit Citations: Chief Headley awarded his team a citation for the year 2025. The department has seen a substantial decline in state reportable crimes, showing a drop of nearly 50% in the crime rate since 2024. In that year, these officers solved and cleared 85% of those reportable crimes. The state average is 40%. They received a certificate and accommodation bar.

ALLEN – GARBAGE DEPT:

Dept Head Report: No issues in our department.

LIMESAND AND JAMES:

Fire Hall Hydrant Request: The Fire Department is requesting the city to donate a fire hydrant, valve box and contractor to hook it up for the new Fire Hall location for future training and for fires. They would like to have a burn trailer and regional training that they would use the hydrant for. Core and Main gave us a quote for \$9,164.00 and Kruger from JK Excavation and Construction said his supplier was the same price or close. Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to purchase a fire hydrant, valve box and parts from JK Excavation and Construction with a max of \$10,000.00 plus the cost of install, with funds to come from SUR fund for Fire Hall project. RCV= all aye, MC.

Fire Hall Update and Zoning Permit: They got all their bids in and they are coming in under budget. They were anticipating a cost of \$2.3 million and after bids, they are now expecting a budget of \$2.1 million. They still need to bid the interior work but the fire department crew can help with some of the interior work. All their contractors will be local and they will start pouring concrete in June.

ALLEN – FINANCIAL AUDITOR:

Gaming Permit #24-78: Allen presented a raffle permit for Yesterday's Farmers annual event. Motion by Vail, second by Schaaf to approve Gaming Permit #24-78 for Yesterday's Farmers. RCV= all aye, MC.

City Hall Roof Bid: Allen informed the Commissioners that they cannot use the other type of roofing they were considering. Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to rescind the original motion and motion to award the City Hall roof bid to Tooz Construction per bid specifications. RCV= Vail no, rest all aye, MC. Park and Rec City Sales Tax Request: Allen presented a City Sales Tax Request for the Park and Rec in the amount of \$4,950.00. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the City Sales Tax Request for wood chips for the Park and Rec in the amount of \$4,950.00. RCV= all aye, MC.

Audio System: At the beginning of the meeting the audio system was not working. The Commission instructed Allen to contact someone to fix it. Gaming Site Authorizations for BCDC: Allen presented two gaming site authorizations for the Bowman County Development Corporation. Motion by Schaaf, second to Shear to approve the gaming site authorization for Lucky Goose Grill and Bar, LLC and Silver Dollar Bar. RCV= all aye, MC.

JASON BULLIS:

Election for Sheriff: Bullis wanted to give the Commission a courtesy visit to let them know he is running for sheriff. James asked what his opinion is on working with the City Police Department. Bullis said we are professionals who always assist when needed, they do a good job, and he doesn't have is-

suues with the city police. It will always be a good working relationship. There will be good communication between agencies and we will talk through issues.

BCDC - DOERR:

Update: Doerr gave the Commission a copy of the tourism books they made that will go across the state in rest areas and offices.

Visitor Center: Their office wrote a USDA grant to purchase the old Farmers Union Insurance building and parking lot to the east. The grant will pay for purchase, revitalizing, and making it ADA compliant. The tourism center portion will be staffed from Memorial Day to Labor Day. The USDA awarded them a \$307,000 grant with no local match. This property will not be property tax exempt. They will let local businesses and home-based businesses promote their products in this building. They have three staff that come back every year to work the tourism place and if they can't work, the BCDC staff will cover.

Growing Bowman County Group: They asked for people to join this committee, meet quarterly and review their projects and get their feedback. Wayfinding Signs: These signs will go up soon.

JEFF GOOSS – LUCKY GOOSE GRILL AND BAR:

Spring into Summer Event Special Event Request: Gooss is requesting to block off Main Street at the end of the alley at Lucky Goose to Main Street and from South Main Lanes to Kulseth Funeral Home. They will put up to 20 kids inflatables, adaptive needs inflatables and have games for kids. They will close the streets at 9:00 am. At 10:00 am the Dakota Territory Car Club and Baker Car Club will do a show and shine and then have different stands for kids such as facepainting and tattoos (for free) and root beer floats for kids. They will have food throughout the day and go into evening, at 7:00 pm at latest, the roadblocks will come down and a Nashville artist will have a concert indoors from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm. They will have designated drivers to pick up and drop off patrons. The Baker Car Club is bringing approximately 25 people over. Asking for open containers in barricaded area and they will have wristbands and have a special cup to identify them. No other drinks will be tolerated. Will have the property supervised with them being able to walk through the cordoned off area. Gooss will work with the neighborhood so they can get in and out of their yards. Motion by Vail, second by Shear to approve the Special Event Permit for Lucky Goose Grill and Bar for May 2, 2026 in accordance with their outline on the application. RCV= all aye, MC.

CLOSE OF MEETING:

Next Meeting: 5/5/26
Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the bills, 4/7/26 Tax Equalization Meeting Minutes, 4/7/26 regular City Commission Meeting Minutes and March 2026 Financials. RCV= all aye, MC.

President James adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm.

Peggy Allen, Financial Auditor
Lyn James, President of City Commission

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Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on May 5, 2026 at City Hall at 4:00 PM.

Present: President Lyn James, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Benji Schaaf, Sara Bullis, Myron Vail, Chief Headley, Steve Ness, Todd Hofland, Shannon Hewson, Aaron Allen, Peyton Simmons, Ed Kvalle, Josh Buchmann, Peggy Allen, and Stacy McGee. **Absent:** None

President James called the meeting order at 4:00 pm. Motion by Shear, second by Vail to approve the revised agenda. RCV= all aye, MC.
Direct Deposit: \$35,020.45; **Checks #** 15013 -15035; **Voided Checks:** None; **Bills:** A2Z Printing \$1,121.75, Advanced Business Methods \$197.77, Axon Enterprises \$9,278.64, Boss Office Products \$111.92, Bowman Ace Hardware \$70.91, Bowman Auto Parts \$128.92, Bowman Park and Rec \$21,308.40, Bowman Sales and

Service \$889.20, Brosz Engineering \$32,102.50, Eido Connect \$108.00, Morgan Foss \$775.00, Frontier Travel Center \$757.21, Hawkins, Inc. \$1,416.12, MDU \$9,812.16, ND Information Technology \$92.80, One Call Concepts \$108.00, ProPoint Cooperative \$99.80, Summit Fire Protection \$629.00, VISA \$2,558.33, Westlie Truck Center \$1,054.38, Westlie Truck Center \$34.58, Wild and Weiss Law Office \$200.00, and Woodley Construction \$73.28.

BROSZ ENGINEERING – HEWSON:

Bid Tab from Sewer Rehab Project: This project's bids came in under the engineers' estimate. Hewson stated the City can award the project "contingent on DEQ approval". Hewson recommends awarding the base bid with Alternate A with DEQ approval. Motion by Vail, second by Schaaf to approve awarding JR Civil, LLC the contract for the base bid and Bid Alternate A in the amount of \$3,169,406.90, contingent on DEQ approval. RCV= all aye, MC.

Water Tank Project: Dept. of Water Resources stated that they are anticipating \$1,100,000.00 in grant funds being turned back, we were requesting \$1,650,000.00 so there is a \$500,000.00 shortfall. They are doing a study on stripper wells that is going to impact their funds, trying to figure out how they are going to fund this grant pool. They are thinking of only funding new projects going forward, not replacing infrastructure. This could be the City's last chance for funding. There is a period where they will take comments, they are talking about eliminating municipalities funding all together.

HOFLAND – STREET/VECTOR/LANDFILL DEPTS.:

Dept. Head Report: Nothing to report. They helped Ness with a water leak. Vail talked to Hofland about the tree in front of 402 2nd Ave SW and how it is tearing up the street and curb. They decided it needed repaired and to take the repair out of curb and gutter, possibly get JK Excavation for the stump removal. Vail got a quote for \$1,800.00 to remove the tree. There is another tree that needs looked at that is wrecking the street.

NESS - WATER AND SEWER DEPT.:

Dept. Head Report: Peyton Simmons started working in the Water Department on Monday and got to help fix a water leak right away on 5th by the railroad. During the repair, a house service was hit by Kruger Excavation and repaired. The water main is very brittle in that area, this area needs to be considered for a project. The leak affected three blocks that they had the water turned down to a trickle. Approximately 300,000 gallons of water was lost in that leak.

CHIEF HEADLEY – POLICE DEPT.:

Activity Report for 4/20/26 – 5/3/26: Incidents – (DUI Alcohol or Drugs, criminal mischief, wanted person and traffic stop); Calls for Service: 53 (extra patrol-24, public relations-3, suspicious person-2, traffic hazard-2, house watch-2, periodic checks-2, welfare check, found property, lost property, medical emergency, domestic dispute, suicidal person, reckless driver, motorist assist, truancy, alcohol offense, traffic control for fire, officer safety, disturbance, nuisance, suspicious vehicle, circumstance, agency assistance, dog or cat running at large, and litter); Traffic Stops: 30 (verbal warning-13, citation-8, written warning-7, and arrest-2); and Arrest: 3 (contempt of court/warrant, criminal offense/driving while license suspended, and DUI).

Block Party: Melissa Buchholz is having her 5th annual block party at 602 1st Street NW. She is requesting to block off the street with a food truck and bouncy houses from 4:00 pm – 10:00 on June 7th. Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to approve blocking off the street for Melissa Buchholz at 602 1st Street NW and allow use of City barricades. This year they want the whole block as they need more room than last year. RCV= all aye, MC.

ALLEN – GARBAGE DEPT:

Dept. Head Report: All going well, no equipment breakdowns.

JAMES – PRESIDENT OF CITY COMMISSION:

County Meeting Update: James, Allen, McGee, and Hewson went to the County Commission meeting to talk about the status of our water and sewer rehab projects. The County agreed to give the City \$487,500.00

toward the Sewer Rehab Project out of the \$1,500,000.00 they agreed to give us towards both projects. They have agreed to give it to us in one lump sum payment. The water project is temporarily delayed for bid pending other funding for the sewer rehab project and the remaining for the project.

ALLEN – FINANCIAL AUDITOR:

City Hall Roof Contract: Allen presented the contract for the City Hall Roof with Tooz Construction. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve signing the contract and DocuSign with Tooz Construction for the City Hall Roof. RCV= all aye, MC.

2028 TAP Grant Award Acceptance Letter: ND DOT informed Allen that they were awarding the city \$880,000.00 in funding for our shared use path project. They are requesting a letter stating we understand it's partial funding for our project and that we would accept that funding. The Commission was okay with the letter accepting the funding and Allen and Hewson will write the letter. The City was allowed to lower the scope of work. Park and Rec City Sales Tax Request: Allen presented a city sales tax request for Bowman Park and Rec for a Jacobs ladder, bond interest and a keypad. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the city sales tax request in the amount of \$17,663.00. RCV= all aye, MC.

BOWMAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH - ED KVAALE:

Special Event Permit: Kvaale is requesting to do an outdoor concert on August 15, 2026 in their parking lot at the church with christen music. They are requesting to block off whole alley with a stage in the parking lot, and he needs barricades from the City. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the Special Event Request for the Bowman Assembly of God Church from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm. RCV= all aye, MC.

PREVIOUS AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

Josh Buchmann Special Event Permit: Buchmann asked for clarification on why he had to fence off his outdoor parking lot to allow alcohol outside and another entity can just request a special event permit and have an open area. James read the City Ordinance and explained that if he didn't want to have his lot blocked off all the time he could also request a special event permit for several events for the year. He is thinking of doing one a month, James said he could request all of the events at one time.

CLOSE OF MEETING:

Next Meeting: 5/19/26
Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the bills and the 4/21/26 Meeting Minutes. RCV= all aye, MC.

Peggy Allen, Financial Auditor
Lyn James, President of City Commission

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SECTION 00100 INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given, that separate sealed bids for the construction of **SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION** will be received by the City of Bowman, North Dakota at the Office of Auditor, 101 1st Street NE PO Box 12, Bowman, North Dakota until 2:00 PM, local time on June 23rd, 2026, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of: Pipe Bursting, CIPP Lining, Manhole Replacement, Concrete Surfacing, & Bituminous Surfacing

The complete set of Contract Documents, including drawings and specifications, is on file with the Owner at the Office of Auditor and the office of Brosz Engineering, Inc. 109 S. Main, Bowman, ND. Digital Contract Documents are also available from QuestCDN and can be accessed from the Brosz Engineering website at www.broszeng.com under the "Bid Information" page. The cost for downloaded (electronic) plans is \$22. The official Plan Holders list can be viewed for the project on the QuestCDN website. Only electronic plan holders downloaded via QuestCDN will receive addendum no-