

Minutes of Logan County Commissioners

**REGULAR MEETING
Board of Logan County
Commissioners
Napoleon, ND
September 9, 2026
(unofficial or subject
to approval)**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Logan County Commissioners was called to order at 1:00 pm in the meeting room of the Logan County Courthouse by Vice Chairperson Blanche Schumacher. Present were Commissioner Bryan Batsch, Auditor Jody Kristiansen, ASA Grant

Walker (via phone), and Jessica Wald representing the Napoleon Homestead. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Batsch moved, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the agenda with the addition of pallet racking. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Schumacher motioned, seconded by Batsch, to approve the August regular meeting minutes with a correction to clarify that the 772G cylinder was at Dakota Fluid and Power, not the 772G itself. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Batsch motioned, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the auditor's list of vouchers prepaid during the months of August and September, vouchers payable for September as well as the following payroll vouchers: County General for \$45,535.12 VSO for \$822.00, E911 for \$425.00, Agent for \$2,940.00, Highway Dept for \$25,553.06. All in favor, motion carried.

The following is a list of the vouchers with invoices attached which were authorized for payment by the Board:

16989-Visa, sheriff holster, pit cameras & google

nest.....391.84
16990-Visa, jail travel52.54
16991-Visa, dog food, pack track training & jail travel ...251.07
16992-Visa, postage.....160.56
16993-Visa, postage, hotel, gas & paper towels476.52
16994-Information Technology Department AN/VPN/Office 365/Adobe ...1,089.20
16995-Napoleon Homestead, Printing minutes & notice...387.18
16996-PYE Barker, Courthouse annual fire extinguisher inspections270.00
16997-Advanced Business Methods, base rate & overage.....309.78
16998-MDU, Courthouse electricity.....589.25
16999-Mac's Hardware, nuts, washers & bolts260.13
17000-Saylor Implement, grease.....76.30
17001-RDO Equipment, sensors, valves, engine overhaul & cylinder repair42,948.57
17002-Central Dakota

Frontier, official travel, bulk fuel & oil changes2,552.86
17003-Martell's True Value, arm & hammer & shop towels13.16
17004-Napoleon Oil Co., Official travel & bulk fuel.3,740.62
17005-Gackle Coop Oil Co., official travel, fuel pump & bulk fuel.....9,528.09
17006-Fredonia Coop Oil Co., bulk fuel & tire repair2,831.39
17007-Logan County Auditor, FTM & FAS gravel & maintenance...44,254.00
17008-Local's Convenience Center, official travel654.71
17009-Computer Express, monthly service contract,

scanner & drop box2,519.00
17010-Ecolab, shop pest control.....494.00
17011-Dewald Tire Sales & Service—truck tire repair109.00
17012-Martell's Carquest, airline, coupling & compression nut.....16.73
17013-Main Street Hardware, shop supplies, cleaning supplies & ammo393.98
17014-South Central Regional Water District, water at Napoleon shop.....45.23
17015-Butler Machinery, DEF code repair & coupler.....1,731.99
17016-Wallwork Truck Center, glass window18.53
17017-Double J Manufacturing, batteries & cores.....458.62
17018-City of Gackle, Gackle shop water & garbage40.50
17019-ND Association of Counties, pre employment drug tests.....126.00
17020-Avid Hawk, monthly website service & annual domain renewal170.00
17021-Dakota Valley Electric Coop., Gackle shop electricity.....109.44
17022-Rhonda Ost, mowing Lehr shop August.....240.00
17023-Blanche Schumacher, mileage reimbursement.....285.00
17024-KLJ Engineering, Turner Bridge project engineering fees.....30,000.00
17025-Northside Napa, dryer cartridge & air filter195.98
17026-MAD Fab & Repair, sheriff hats100.70
17027-Dustin Hammond, reimburse 2 months of residential internet153.00
17028-Chuck Weigel, spray courthouse lawn.....185.00
17029-NACCTFO, annual

Treasurer's dues.....100.00
 17030-Jack's Electric, install
 outlet in server room.....893.87
 17031-Thomson Reuters
 -West, monthly online sub-
 scription.....364.02
 17032-Verizon, 5G mobile
 broadband53.99

17033-Stutsman County
 Corrections, custody of
 prisoners.....3,100.00
 17034-Underground Vaults
 & Storage, new storage
 microform box.....78.95
 17035-Quill Corporation, ink
 & tape refills.....509.26
 17036-Amanda Hayen, mow-
 ing & trimming August
 2026.....125.00
 17037-Forte, annual alarm
 monitoring services.....660.00
 The monthly fund report, high-
 way worker logs, and statements
 of fees were reviewed.

Committee reports were given.

Katie DeWitt, KLJ Engineering,
 met with the board to provide up-
 dates on various projects. A bid
 date of November 12th was set for
 the Turner Bridge project. Batsch
 motioned, seconded by Schum-
 acher, to authorize the vice chair's
 signature on a US Army 404 per-
 mit. All in favor, motion carried.
 Batsch motioned, seconded by
 Schumacher to authorize the vice
 chair's signature and enter into a
 cooperative cost and maintenance
 agreement with McIntosh County
 for the one mile of Highway 9 lo-
 cated in Logan County. All in favor;
 motion carried.

Batsch provided an update on
 progress made by the zoning
 board at their last meeting. Two po-
 tential industrial zones have been
 identified. Kristiansen questioned
 which board would have to hold
 the hearings to address the poten-
 tial sites. ASA Walker informed the
 board that the zoning board would
 need to hold the hearings, not the
 board of commissioners.

Schumacher reported she still
 hasn't heard from Wieler regarding
 handbook updates.

Schumacher moved, seconded
 by Batsch, not to offer employment
 with the Logan County Highway
 Department to applicant Rusty
 Johnson. Voting in favor were
 commission members Schumach-
 er and Batsch. Motion carried.

Schumacher opened the 2027
 Budget Hearing at 2:00 pm. With
 no one present to discuss the bud-
 gets, Schumacher moved forward
 with the regular meeting agenda
 – leaving the hearing open should
 anyone appear that wished to
 speak.

No public comment cards were
 received for the meeting.

Schumacher motioned, second-
 ed by Batsch, to appoint Stephanie
 Holt as inspector for the November
 General Election. All in favor, mo-
 tion carried.

The county's drop box subscrip-
 tion was discussed. If the Sheriff's
 office is using it, the yearly sub-
 scription will be paid, if not, it will
 be cancelled.

Kristiansen shared that Jason
 Becker offered a yearly mainte-
 nance contract to the county for

the courthouse generator at a cost
 of \$350-\$400. Batsch motioned,
 seconded by Schumacher, to enter
 into the contract. All in favor, mo-
 tion carried.

Sheriff Andrew Bartholomaeus
 presented certificates of apprecia-
 tion and gift cards to Dani's Place
 to Donovan Schmid, Tate Erickson,
 Preston Martin and Matt Ruff for
 assisting him during an altercation
 that occurred in Gackle on August
 15, 2026.

Kristiansen informed the board
 that a request had been received
 from the Water Resource Board to
 post their meeting minutes on the
 county website. The matter was
 tabled until the October regular
 meeting.

Schumacher motioned, sec-
 onded by Batsch, to complete a
 credit application for North Central
 International. All in favor, motion
 carried.

The board assisted Kristiansen
 in answering questions received
 from the State Auditor's Office re-
 garding PCUs for the 2024 audit.

The board agreed to meet Octo-
 ber 9, 2026, at 9am to approve mill
 levies.

Batsch motioned, seconded by
 Schumacher to approve the follow-
 ing resolution. All were in favor and
 the motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Special Event Permits

WHEREAS, Title 5 of the North
 Dakota Century Code provides the
 authority for the Board of County
 Commissioners to authorize a
 qualified alcoholic beverage li-
 censee licensed under this chapter
 to engage in the sale of alcoholic
 beverages at events designated by
 permit.

WHEREAS, Title 5 of the North
 Dakota Century Code provides
 that "qualified alcoholic beverage
 licensee" means a licensee in a
 city that imposed a city lodging and
 restaurant tax on July 31, 1993,
 who paid the tax and who contin-
 ues to pay any such tax imposed
 by the city or a licensee in a county,
 a licensee in a city that did not im-
 pose a city lodging tax on July 31,
 1993, or a tribal licensee.

WHEREAS, Title 5 of the North
 Dakota Century Code provides
 that a fee for the permit may be set
 at not more than twenty-five dol-
 lars;

WHEREAS, Title 5 of the North
 Dakota Century Code provides
 that the permit may not be valid for
 more than 14 days;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lo-
 gan County Board of Commission-
 ers hereby declares that pursuant
 to Title 5 of the North Dakota Cen-
 tury Code, an event permit shall be
 required to engage in the sale of
 alcoholic beverages by qualified
 alcoholic beverage licensee and a
 fee of twenty-five dollars shall be
 required for said permit.

Dated at Napoleon, ND this 9th

day of September 2026.

LOGAN COUNTY,
NORTH DAKOTA

By:

Blanche Schumacher,
Vice Chairperson

Attest:

Jody Kristiansen,
County Auditor

The board approved the application created by Kristiansen for applicants who wish to request a special event permit.

Schumacher motioned, seconded by Batsch, to authorize the chair's signature on an understanding of audit services contract with the State Auditor's office. All in favor, motion carried.

Schumacher opened a public hearing at 2:30 pm for a petition of variance request received by Adam Weigel to place a primary residence within the county right of way in the NW4 of 26-134-70. No one was present to object to the variance. Batsch motioned, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the variance. All in favor, motion carried.

Schumacher closed the variance hearing and the budget hearing at 2:32 pm.

Batsch motioned, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the following permits: Jeffrey Lautt – special event permit at 7451 61st Ave

SE, Fredonia, Alex & Jessica Wald – place manufactured home, Travis Finck – shop with living quarters, and Adam Weigel – shop/house. All in favor, motion carried.

Schumacher shared estimates for culverts, tires, signs and posts. Batsch motioned, seconded by Schumacher, to purchase culverts for \$9,792.00, 772CH steering tires for \$3,606.90, no winter maintenance signs for \$316.10, and six tires for the Gackle area CAT once an estimate is received from Dewald Tires. All in favor, motion carried. The CAT tires are to be paid for from the heavy equipment replacement fund.

Schumacher motioned, seconded by Batsch, to rent a skid steer from Wayne Schumacher at a rate of \$55 per hour of actual use, plus fuel. All in favor, motion carried.

Kristiansen shared that just before the meeting, Deena Kemmet met with her to inform her that one of her employees has an objection to being drug tested by the county as he feels that there is no chain of custody with the samples that are obtained and he doesn't want his DNA being sent all over the country and potentially being used for unauthorized purposes and that she supports him in this decision. The NDSU employee will no longer use the county vehicle and must use

his own vehicle for any authorized travel. He will be limited to what is budgeted for reimbursement.

Pallet racking at the Napoleon shop was discussed. Purchase of the racks was approved.

Recorder Laura Henry submitted a request to purchase a vertical stand and clamps for approximately \$2,000.00 to preserve and retire original plat maps. Schumacher motioned, seconded by Batsch, to approve the request. All in favor, motion carried.

Informative materials were distributed that included the highway and general accounts receivable reports.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Logan County Commissioners will be held October 14, 2026, at 1pm.

Blanche Schumacher,
Vice Chair
Board of Logan County
Commissioners

Attest:

Jody Kristiansen
Logan County Auditor