OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ADAMS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA
OCTOBER 8TH, 2026

The Board of Adams County Commissioners met in regular session with the following present: Dustin Laufer, Kevin Pagel, and Steven West.

Chairman Dustin Laufer opened the meeting at 8 am

SEPTEMBER 8, 2026, MINUTES: Commissioner Pagel moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting as presented, second by Commissioner West by unanimous vote. Motion carried.

AGENDA: Commissioner West moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Commissioner Pagel, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

OFFICE FEES: Fees collected by county officers were paid to the Auditor/Treasurer for Road and Bridge $86,700.42, Recorder $3,586.80, & Sheriff $1,576.02

NEXT MEETING DATE: November 10th, 2026, at 8:00 am is the next regular monthly meeting

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: financials were reviewed.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY: JB Lindquist, Chuck Lindquist, and Wes Edwards met with the Commission to update on the Airport Authority and happenings at the airport. Mr. JB Lindquist shared history from both the Airport and the Airport Authority, financials, and future projects. Discussion was had on the continued wish to plan an "Airpark" in the area around beacon hill, about 15 acres of land in the area is available to use. The group thanked the Commission for their continued support. Mr. Chuck Lindquist discussed a new hangar being planned for construction. Funding opportunities are being sought. The Commission directed the group to have discussions with Roosevelt Custer.

BUILDINGS-GROUNDS MANAGER: Nathan Nagel met with the Commission for discussion on a few projects. Mr. Nagel shared quotes on Fire protection for both the Veterans Memorial building and the Library from New Vision Security. The quote for the Veteran Service building included extra security for the Human Service office, Mr. Nagel wondered if this was the responsibility of the county. Another quote from New Vision, was for inspection of the fire alarm system. A quote for a new panel in the Veterans Memorial building and a monitoring contract were reviewed. A quote for the library in the amount of $3,428.12, for fire and security including product and installation. A monitoring service for $270 annually for the library was also reviewed. The Commission questioned if there was need for security, there was no breakdown of cost for the two items. Mr. Nagel will work on getting more information. Two quotes for blinds from Olson's Carpet and Furniture were reviewed. The first quote in the amount of $2,296 for 6 blinds in the Community Room. The second quote in the amount of $1,608.00 was for 5 blinds for the Jury room on the third floor. The Jury room expense was included in a courtroom improvement grant submitted by the Recorder. The grant covers 75% of the cost. Commissioner Pagel moved to approve both quotes in the amount of $3,904.00 second by Commissioner West, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Discussion was had on the upcoming snow season, and the process of snow removal at the courthouse. Mr. Nagel found more information on the Library fire and security system, Commissioner West moved to approve the system, second by Commissioner Pagel, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Quotes were reviewed for a new county shop roof, Tooz Construction, $138,400 and Highpoint Construction, $87,933 Commissioner Pagel moved to approve the quote for a new roof from Highpoint Construction in the amount of $87,933 total for snap lock standing seam roofing with Wheatland Pewter Gray in color, second by Commissioner West, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

ADAMS COUNTY ROAD SUPERINTENDENT: Justin Blade met with the Commission to provide updates from his department. Mr. Blade's CDL has been completed, the Commission shared their happiness with this accomplishment. The crew is busy with graveling, mowing and blading. The Unorganized Road gravel project is underway, the contractor is currently working in Kansas City Twp. Mr. Blade and the crew are working on 3-mile bridge road, he was hoping to have this completed next week. Several other area roads issues were discussed that are planned for work yet this year. Discussion was had on mag chloride and high cost. Commissioner Laufer questioned possibly learning how to possibly complete this on our own. Mr. Blade discussed the need for a part-time person to complete mowing, and the outside (sub) contractor waiver. A stipulation within the current waiver states the individual is required to carry their own insurance. State's Attorney, Aaron Roseland, shared his concern about having someone

completing work for the county and if they should just be hired as temporary/part-time employees. Discussion was had on the need to update contract with contractor and subcontractor agreements. One gravel truck broke down and is sitting North of town, a belt needed to be ordered to get it back running.

RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT: EVERETT JOHNSON/ THOMAS MARTIN: a right of way request was reviewed for a new approach 1.4 miles South on 8th (South of Bucyrus). The new approach would not require a culvert, as the approach location is on a hill. Commissioner Pagel moved to approve the permit as recommended by Road Superintendent Blade, second by Commissioner West, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

BROSZ ENGINEERING: Lucas Doerr met with the Commission and shared bad news on bridge funding, as the funding has been put on hold countrywide, this puts the Reeder bridge project in jeopardy. More information will be likely at next week's conference meeting with NDDOT. Mr. Doerr explained he has been working on easements in the area. Updates were given on the Lakeview Drive project; construction is planned for next year. Legal surveying to happen soon. A quote for a double chip seal to Country Club Road was provided, the cost estimated at $658,020.60, with the local share being $231,604.12. A few areas of concern were discussed before committing to anything. Commissioner Laufer shared concern about getting any repairs completed this Fall before the winter season, to give ample time in the Spring to see if the areas are good before chip sealing happens. Road Superintendent Blade shared his concern on the geogrid issues, it will more than likely need to be cut out of the road and not just add gravel. Mr. Blade will try and get this repair completed before freezing. Discussion was had on if Brosz Engineering had any survey results on signage in the county for the upcoming 911 re-addressing project. Mr. Doerr explained the State completed a survey of all signage and will try and access the information. Commissioner Laufer had been working on a quote from Newman Signs, and the cost would depend on the number of signs needed. Commissioner West moved to hire Brosz Engineering to manage the updated 911 addressing project, second by Commissioner Pagel, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Discussion was had on if a road haul agreement was completed with the Contractor doing the Unorganized graveling, Mr. Doerr explained the contractor will be responsible for the repairs. Cemetery Road chip sealing has been completed and signs have been removed, and dust control (mag chloride) on Overhead Road has been completed as well.

ADAMS COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY: Mr. Roseland shared an update from the Zoning Director, Mr. Gaugler was denied by the State, so there is no change in value for Adams County. Aaron Roseland met with the Commission and explained the process of passing ordinances, as the correct procedure would be to go to the zoning board before the Commission. Discussion was had on several parts of the county ordinances that are contradicting, old, and need to be updated. Mr. Roseland explained he has put in extensive time updating the ordinance, mostly on data centers. Mr. Roseland shared information from his visit yesterday to a data center in Ellendale.

ND STATE FAIR DELEGATE: Commissioner West volunteered to be the representative again this year. Commissioner Pagel moved to approve Commissioner West, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

ADAMS COUNTY LIBRARY NEEDS: Librarian, Lanae Kristy, provided a letter to the Commission, as she was unable to attend the meeting in person. Ms. Kristy questioned what to do with the ADA requirement for the website, mandated in April. The concern would be to close the website, as well as the Facebook and Instagram accounts, as the mandate is requiring complete ADA accessibility, which is a large cost. Ms. Kristy also shared concerns about finding a replacement for her position, as she is hoping to retire soon.

BILLS: Commissioner Pagel moved to approve paying the following monthly bills, second by Commissioner West, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

Radisson Hotel Bismarck$227.00
Graphic Designs & Printing $243.00
Melling & Roseland Law.$195.98
Katie Roseland $403.88
Stateline Designs.....$347.06
Aqua Pure Inc.....$1,170.16
Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc ... $311.12
Rolling Plains Sprinklers $1,830.00
New Vision Security Systems $130.80
Northwest Iron Fireman Inc $2,253.00
Freedom & Glory $341.97
Election Systems & Software $923.80

Central Dakota Frontier Cooperative $859.46
Wex Health Inc $38.50
GS Publishing $453.15
Quadient Finance USA, Inc $199.17
NACO $450.00
Marco Technologies LLC $187.78
Computer Express....$1,629.99
Information Technology Dept $1,076.05
Southwest Multi-County Correction Center $6,800.00
AT & T Mobility.....$526.52
Lenslock Inc.....$137.24
Cenex Fleet Fueling $762.43
Kiesler Police Supply...$281.81
Office of Attorney General – 1250 .....$1,205.00
East End Auto & Truck Parts Inc $861.50
Safe Life Defense $5,929.20
West Dakota Vet Clinic Inc $3,195.87
Fibt Att; Credit Dept ..$2,440.93
GW Trucking LLC $8,926.00
Brosz Engineering, Inc $8,025.00
Dale Becker.....$2,385.00
Southwest Water Authority$76.71
Martin Construction Inc $112,960.45
Arndorfer Farms $484.00
Auto Value Hettinger....$322.12
Butler Machinery Co....$308.00
Laufer Vermeer – Lemmon $837.96
Laufer Vermeer.....$306.25
North Central International LLC $687.62
RDO Equipment $260.27
Rocket Express Delivery LLC $60.00
Stippich, Inc.....$34.32
Northern Fire & Safety..$535.00
Melodi Boke.....$74.80
Aspen Lenning.....$617.79
Adams County Record ..$50.00
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank$824.07
Kennedy's Fresh Foods..$232.00
Lemmonmade Inc.....$365.90
Center Point Publishing..$240.23
Demco $489.49
Michael Frederick $25.00
Adams County Treasurer $1,248.50
Consolidated Communications $1,106.46
Dacotah Banks, Inc $2,538.54
DUV Sanitation.....$1,725.00
Hettinger City.....$787.17
Montana Dakota Utilities $2,375.61
ND State Treasurer..... $110.66
Office of the Adjutant General $12,347.10
Runnings Supply Inc....$327.77
Slope Electric Cooperative $159.55
Verizon Wireless.....$85.14;
September Payroll $100,814.73

Commissioner Pagel moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Commissioner West; Chairman Laufer declared the meeting adjourned at 1:36 PM.

/s/ Dustin Laufer
Dustin Laufer, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
/s/Krista Faller
Krista Faller,
Adams County Auditor/Treasurer
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