

# GRANT COUNTY

## Commission Proceedings

### Regular Meeting February 18, 2026

Chairman Zenker called the February 18, 2026 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. All present honored our nation by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Public present: Riley Dahl, GS Publishing.

Commissioner Hochhalter moved to approve agenda, seconded by Meyer. All present voting aye; agenda approved.

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve February 4, 2026 Board of Commissioner meeting minutes as amended. All present voting aye. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Old business: The Board considered the applications for the 129,000 Pound Large Truck Network Segment Request from Roehl Transfer Inc and Kurt Muggli. Motion made by Made to deny application for Roehl Transfer Inc, over concerns that the current infrastructure is at full capacity. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

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New business:

Meyer moved to approve bills totaling \$39,267.98. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote - Hochhalter - aye, Meyer - aye, Zenker - aye. Bills approved.

A&S County Market ..... 94.14  
American Welding & Gas Inc ..... 40.30

BG Fire ..... 353.52  
Burleigh-Morton Detention Center ..... 6,210.00

CHS Inc ..... 4,038.09  
Coast to Coast Solutions ..... 555.62

Crown Trophy ..... 17.00  
Elgin City ..... 36.00

Fireside Office Solutions ..... 606.98  
Galls Inc ..... 117.72

GS Publishing LLC ... 1,718.43  
HA Thompson & Sons ..... 2,227.03

Heart River Health Care ..... 100.00  
I-State Truck Center .... 565.74

Johnsen Trailer Sales Inc ..... 2,917.92  
ND Weed Control Association ..... 20.00

Sidwell Company .... 14,190.00  
Jacqueline Steinmetz .. 130.20

Thomson Reuters-West Publishing ..... 392.82  
Underground Vaults & Storage ..... 750.60

Uniform Center ..... 220.00  
Vanguard Appraisals Inc ..... 1,925.00

Wallwork Truck Center ..... 1,292.61  
Wells Fargo Vendor Financial Services ..... 612.02

Sara Meier ..... 136.24  
Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by

Meyer to enter into a funding agreement with the North Dakota Supreme Court for the 2027-2029 biennium to receive reimbursement for providing clerk services. Roll call vote: Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

Jason Albert informed the Board that he will ordering different cradle points for the sheriff department.

Building permit application for a variance for the construction of the barn replacement was submitted by Corey Roth. It will be located in section 5 of township 136, range 89 in the same location as the existing barn. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve the variance of 90 feet from the center line of the adjacent road, permit BLD-2026-004. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

Utility application for WRT to install fiberoptic cable to site address of 5849 61 Ave SW in section 26 of township 136, range 88 was presented. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve permit. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

The Board considered

## PUBLIC Notice

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
IN DISTRICT COURT  
ss  
COUNTY OF GRANT  
SOUTH CENTRAL  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Probate No. 19-2026-PR-00003  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
Joan Woodbury, deceased.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to William Lloyd Woodbury, PO Box 94, Carson, ND 58529, Personal Representative, or filed with the above-entitled Court at Carson, ND 58529.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2026.

/s/ William Lloyd Woodbury  
PO Box 94  
Carson, ND 58529  
DAVID M. CRANE  
CRANE & MERRIMAN, PC  
PO BOX 99  
MOTT, ND 58646  
ATTORNEY FOR  
PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE  
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the language of a resolution to be place on the 2026 ballot to change the Grant County State's Attorney position to an appointed position instead of an election position. Voters will be able to vote on the measure in the 2026 election cycle.

Jackie Steinmetz presented the change in agricultural valuation calculation for 2026. Commissioner Meyer recommended decrease the agricultural value a bit more than four percent to make sure the values are within the tolerance levels set by the State Board of Equalization. Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to decrease the 2025 values by 4.25% for the 2026 values to be within the tolerance levels. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried. When asked what the change in residential and commercial values would be, Steinmetz said she hoped to be done entering data this week.

Aaron Friesz met with the board to discuss the operative property for his Frosted Mini Trucks LLC. He asked for approval from the Board to continue his operations from his farm. The Planning & Zoning Board concluded the operative property falls under farm operations. No change in classification from

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43-2026-PR-00002  
Probate No. -----  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF  
SIOUX COUNTY,  
SOUTH CENTRAL JU  
NORTH DAKOTA  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
Wayne Martin Hatzenbuehler,  
Deceased

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Pamela Hatzenbuehler, personal representative of the estate at P.O. Box 1266, Mandan, North Dakota 58554-7266 or filed with the Court.

Dated this 25 day of February, 2026.

/s/ Pamela Hatzenbuehler  
Pamela Hatzenbuehler,  
Personal Representative  
Published March 5-19, 2026

agricultural to commercial is needed. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve Frosted Mini Trucks LLC to continue operations as it has in good standing since July 1, 2020 at its current location. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Dillon stated that Jessa Sauter has accepted a deputy position with Grant County. She will begin employment on February 23, 2026. He starting annual salary is \$45,000, with increases applied at the completion of training and academy. Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve hiring. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

John Sauber, Sauber Engineering met with the Board via phone to discuss the cost estimates for the intersection of 55<sup>th</sup> St SW and 58<sup>th</sup> Ave SW. The intersection has poor visibil-

ity for the speed of traffic. It is being consider due to alternate routes needed for the bridge replacement project to be done in 2027.

Bid opening for graveling crushing and stockpiling is being moved back to March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026. The completion date for the project will also be move back to October 1, 2026. Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to make changes to the bid requirements. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

The shaping and graveling request for bids will be amended to require a 22 foot road top. A culvert inventory will be done by the Grant County Road Department prior to submission for bids to determine which culverts need replacing, and if the replacement should be as part of the bid or done before the project begins.

Public input meeting on the Heart River Bridge Replacement

project which is scheduled for 2027, will be held on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 5:00 to 7:00 at the Grant County Fair Building. Slides may be viewed on the Grant County Website from a link on the calendar.

Jon Alt, Road Superintendent met with the Board to discuss truck and equipment repairs.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 12:24 pm. FYI: next scheduled meetings will be March 4 and 18, 2026.

/s/Alton Zenker  
Alton Zenker, Chairman  
/s/Sara Meier  
Sara Meier, Auditor  
Published March 19, 2026

## Grant County 2026 Organized Township & City Equalization Meetings

Each taxpayer has the right to appear before the appropriate board of review or equalization and petition for correction of the taxpayer's assessment.

If you wish to appeal your property value, Contact the Township Chairman, City Auditor, or Tax Equalization Director Jackie Steinmetz.

### Thursday, April 2

**Pretty Rock**..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Keith Payne residence

**City of Elgin**..... 7:30 p.m. MT

Elgin City Council Room

### Monday, April 6

**Minnie Township**..... 9:00 a.m. MT

Elgin City Council Room

**Elm Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Ron Keller residence

**City of New Leipzig**..... 6:30 p.m. MT

New Leipzig City Council Room

### Tuesday, April 7

**Rock Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Saul Maier residence

**City of Carson** ..... 6:30 p.m. MT

Carson City Council Room

### Wednesday, April 8

**Howe Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Jay Moser residence

### Thursday, April 9

**Freda Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Larry Chadwick residence

**City of Leith**..... 7:00 p.m. MT

Leith City Hall

### Monday, April 13

**Winona Township** ..... 10:30 a.m. MT

Owen Wells residence

**Lark Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Wes Frederick residence

### Tuesday, April 14

**Leipzig Township**..... 1:00 p.m. MT

County Weed Building, Elgin

### Wednesday, April 15

**Raleigh Township** ..... 1:00 p.m. MT

Jerald Christensen residence

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## REDUCE YOUR 2026 PROPERTY TAX BILL BY UP TO \$1600!

### Eligibility requirements for the Primary Residence Property Tax Credit:

- Must own a home in ND and reside in it as your primary residence
- One credit per household, no age or income restrictions
- Must apply and be approved annually to receive the credit



Application Deadline: April 1, 2026  
Apply Online: [www.tax.nd.gov/prc](http://www.tax.nd.gov/prc)