

**MILNOR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING****MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026 ~ 5 P.M.**

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, April 13, 2026, 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Denise Ferderer, Glen Koepp, Michelle Odegard, Jodi Ost, and Jasmine Smith. Also present: Carol Peterson, Mike Bassingthwaite, Travis Paeper, Steve Meyer, Beau Goolsbey, Isaac Biss, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek and Jennie Hanna.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

Motion to approve meeting agenda (Koepp/Odegard, unanimous).

Motion to approve March meeting minutes (Anderson/Ost, unanimous).

Sheriff Travis Paeper reviewed the Sheriff's report, stated March had been an average month and Deputy Olivia Case had completed her training.

Mike Bassingthwaite reviewed the Engineer's report and addressed the shared sewer line between Steve Meyer and Jose Romero. Ryan Smith stated D Excavating had already been notified, and the project was put on his list. Mayor Dusek stated the city will pay for the work.

Bassingthwaite presented the bid from B.G. Amundson Construction Inc. for the Safe Walks to School project from Main to Northview. The bid was for \$196,358.68. The cost to the city would be \$37,445.60 for the work and approximately \$30,000 for Engineering Fees. Bassingthwaite stated the company would like to start the project in mid- to late May.

Motion to award the contract to B.G. Amundson Construction Inc. for the Safe Walks to School project (Ost/Anderson, unanimous).

Isaac Biss and Beau Goolsbey were in attendance to discuss the former Legion building and having it assessed for asbestos. Carol Peterson explained that the ND Brownfield Program allows the City to apply for an asbestos assessment on behalf of a private property owner, though the owner would typically be responsible for removal if asbestos is found. Goolsbey and Biss noted that if the City submits the application and coordinates with the state, the property could later be gifted to a local development organization, whereby they could then apply to the Brownfield Program for asbestos removal funding. This approach shifts the cleanup responsibility from the original owner to the development group and supports future redevelopment with a new buyer.

The second reading of the floodplain ordinance was completed.

Motion to adopt the floodplain ordinance (Ost/Anderson, unanimous).

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development Report and discussed an email from Wendy Schmeiss regarding possibly upgrading the city's water storage capacity under the BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructures in Communities) program. Mike Bassingthwaite explained that a water looping system or water tower would be the two ways the city could upgrade their storage capacity. Either project is very costly, and the program only covers 75% of the cost. Bassingthwaite recommended getting on the SRF list. Peterson stated she'd let Schmeiss know the city isn't interested.

Peterson discussed a grant available from North Dakota Parks & Rec and questioned Bassingthwaite if the city could apply and use the money to repair spots on the walking path. Bassingthwaite stated the state isn't interested in grants for maintenance projects.

Peterson informed council the Lake Agassiz Regional Council is interested in building two spec homes in the Northview Addition. The city would provide them with the lots, and there would be no additional cost to the city.

Motion to move forward with Lake Agassiz Regional Council to build two spec homes (Ost/Ferderer, unanimous).

Motion to approve selling lots 2 & 3 in Block 4 of Northview Addition for \$2500/each to Mark & Sandra Claeys to build a new house (Ost/Ferderer, with Koepp abstaining, unanimous).

Motion to change the selling price of the lots in Northview Addition to \$2500/each (Ost/Anderson, unanimous).

Motion to approve a building permit for David Strege – new house shingles (Ost/Ferderer, unanimous).

Motion to approve a building permit for John Larson – new garage (Ost/Odegard, unanimous).

Motion to approve Pledge of Securities ended March 31, 2026 – Stock Growers Bank (Koepp/Smith, unanimous).

The following bills were presented and approved (Anderson/Odegard, unanimous).

Bills:	
Sargent County Auditor	\$3058.63
Carol Peterson	1445.00
Computer Express	1125.99
Dakota Plains Ag	171.00
Dickey Rural Networks	464.75
Even Law Office, PLLC	905.00
Lee's Service Station	73.29
Milnor Market	6.98
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	333.48
Otter Tail Power Company	3264.41
Swedes Plumbing	290.00
The Sargent County Teller	196.96
Waste Management of WI-MN	1492.07
Payroll Account 61-639	7657.04
Verizon Wireless	119.05
Storbakken Sanitation Inc	4860.00
End Of The Woods Task Force	1000.00
Midwest Pest Control	85.00
Milnor Park Board	708.35
Library Fund	2409.44
Airport Authority	10,408.44
Debt Service Fund	
134,907.20	
Debt Service Fund	1334.02
Payroll Account 61-639	6393.58
Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	3856.66
Southeast Water Users	3069.90
Dakota Valley Electric Coop	825.00
City of Fargo	14.00
ND Dept Environmental Quality	82.18
North Dakota One Call	4.50
Spee-Dee Delivery Service Inc	19.87
Payroll Account 61-639	1216.27
Milnor Postmaster	78.00
Payroll Account 61-639	1194.96
Milnor Postmaster	198.25
Jeremy M. Bixby	1375.50
Terry J. Dusek	166.23
Jennie M. Hanna	1792.05
Ryan J. Smith	2334.59
ND Child Support Division	522.50
Jeremy M. Bixby	1121.29
Jennie M. Hanna	1532.74
Ryan J. Smith	2101.13
ND Child Support Division	522.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	562.89
Unum Life Insurance Company	12.34
Nationwide Retirement Solution	471.48
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Internal Revenue Service	3518.77
Dickey Rural Networks	128.66
Northstar Aviation Insurance	1442.00

The regular May meeting will be held on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn (Odegard/Anderson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor
Terry Dusek, Mayor
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**CITY OF FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA
PROCEEDINGS OF CITY BOARD OF
EQUALIZATION
APRIL 14TH, 2026 – TAX EQUALIZATION**

The board met at the City Hall of Forman City at 6:00 PM, April 14th, 2026

Council there and present are those as listed:

Kevin Bopp
Luke Anderson
John Stenvold
Kirk Fliehs
Alicia Thompson
Sara Dux
Lyle Bopp
Sam Schilling
LaJuana Hayen

City Auditor:
Minutes of the proceedings.

Motion to approve the Assessment book made by Kirk Fliehs and seconded by Luke Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the adjustments sheet for 2026 taxes made by Luke Anderson and seconded by John Stenvold. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the 9 homestead tax credits and 4 Veterans tax credits made by John Stenvold and seconded by Kirk Fliehs. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the Tax Equalization meeting at 6:15pm was made by John Stenvold and seconded by Kirk Fliehs. Motion carried.

Kevin Bopp, Mayor
Alicia Thompson, City Auditor
Publish May 15, 2026

**CITY OF FORMAN, NORTH DAKOTA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 14TH, 2026**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM by Mayor Kevin Bopp. Present were council members, Luke Anderson, Kirk Fliehs, and John Stenvold. Also attending were City Auditor Alicia Thompson, City Superintendent Donavon Hajek, City Coordinator Sara Dux, and City Attorney Lyle Bopp.

Guest/ Public Comments: None
All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by John Stenvold and seconded by Kirk Fliehs to approve the agenda for the regular city council meeting. Motion carried.

Kirk Fliehs made a motion to approve the March 10th city council meeting minutes. Luke Anderson seconded that motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff Report- Sheriff Paeper was present, average month. Complaints on some kids causing trouble around town. Deputy Wold has finished D.A.R.E with the 5th grade class.

John Stenvold made a motion to approve the End of the Woods Task Force grant for 1000.00 and Luke Anderson seconded that motion. Motion carried.

City Superintendent's Report – City Superintendent Donavon Hajek provided an update on recent maintenance activities and ongoing projects. City wide clean-up days are April 27th and 28th. Midwest Dirtworks was in town to fix a water leak at city hall, and were going to be coming back to dig up and fix a curb stop at the fairgrounds. Plans are in place to pour concrete in the red shed to accommodate pallet racking. A&R Roofing completed repairs on a roof leak at the water plant. The city will be purchasing new tires for the Kubota mower. Additionally, a contractor will be coming to town to perform crack sealing and address areas where roads are shifting.

Luke Anderson made a motion to approve JP concrete for the red and white shed for pallet racking. John Stenvold seconded that motion.

Luke Anderson made a motion to approve the second reading of the Flood Plain Ordinance and Kirk Fliehs seconded that motion. Motion carried.

Kirk Fliehs made a motion to raise Jamie Grothe's pay for Cemetery duties from 17\$ to 20\$ per hour. We appreciate the nice work he does keeping the Cemetery looking nice.

City Coordinators Report- Sara talked about plans for remodeling Library and planning for Strategic plan updates. Still deciding where the Mayor of Day will be held, Dylan Guleson from the 2nd grade class won Mayor for the Day, she will either be joining in Rutland for next council meeting or Forman.

John Stenvold made a motion that the city pays for new shelving and totes for better organization of the back room for the Community Club. Kirk Fliehs seconded that motion. Motion carried.

John Stenvold made a motion to transfer Dale Peplinski to owner of Deuces Bar. Kirk Fliehs seconded that motion. Motion carried.

John Stenvold made a motion for the budget amendments for 2025. Luke Anderson seconded that motion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Stenvold and seconded by Luke Anderson to approve the City Auditors' report, delinquency report, and payment of the bills. Motion carried.

Bills: ND DEPT OF ENV QUALITY \$82.18, A&R ROOFING 1521.00, ALLARD TROPHY COMPANY 48.75, CENTRAL GROCERY 39.90, CITY OF FARGO 14.00, DRN 516.52, JP MORGAN CHASE 2608.45, BOBCAT GWINNER 166.40, BADGER METER INC 30.90, SARGENT COUNTY TELLER 243.72, ONE CALL CONCEPTS 3.00, SARGENT COUNTY AUDITOR 1709.75, FORMAN LUMBER 8.45, COMPUTER EXPRESS 119.97, OLSON ACCOUNTING 2820.00, KIRKS AG REPAIR 62.50, FORMAN PARK BOARD 1547.62, FORMAN GOLF ASSOCIATION 515.87, JOHNSON PEST CONTROL 125.00, ND SEWAGE PUMP LIFT STATION 1100.00, DAKOTA PLAINS 383.23, OTTER TAIL POWER 4664.12

Adjourn Regular Council meeting at 7:30

Kevin Bopp, Mayor
Alicia Thompson, City Auditor
Publish May 15, 2026

NOTICE

The Sargent County Weed Control Board hired a contractor who will be starting to spray road right-of-ways in the county. The spray crew will start with the North Dakota State Highway Right-Of-Ways, continue with the county roads & end with the township roads as time & conditions allow. It is difficult to schedule a spraying season, as we never know what weather conditions we will face, however, if you would like more detailed information as to when the crew might be in your area of the county, please contact Wayne Sebens, Chairman.

NOTICE OF COUNTY TAX EQUALIZATION OF ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given that proceedings for the equalization of assessments for the year 2026 will be taken by Sargent County:

In the County, at the office of the County Auditor on **June 2, 2026, it is the first Tuesday in June at 9:30 a.m.**

All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessments are hereby notified to appear at said meetings and show cause for having such assessments corrected.

Given under my hand and the Official Seal of Sargent County, North Dakota, this 5TH day of May 2026, at Forman, North Dakota.

TIA BOPP
COUNTY AUDITOR

LEGAL NOTICE

OF THE 2026 ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

Sargent Central Public School District #6, Sargent County, ND will hold its annual election for the purpose of electing school board members to fill expired or vacated terms **Tuesday, June 9, 2026**. The polls will open at eleven o'clock a.m. and close at seven o'clock p.m. Central Daylight time and the polling place will be the Sargent Central School ITV Room in Forman.

The two school board vacancies to vote for are areas At Large. On the ballot are Matthew McLaen, Cameron Guleson and Kristine Askerooth.

Patrons will also vote on whether to publish the school board proceedings in the designated county newspaper. Please contact Julie Colemer at 701-724-3205 if you intend to vote by absentee ballot. If you have any questions on the school board positions available for election, contact Superintendent Warcken at 701-724-3205.

May 13, 2026, Julie Colemer Business Manager

**ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO
AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO
N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 33-44-01 MEDICAL MARIJUANA**

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code chapter 33-44-01, related to definitions, expiration of registry identification cards, compassion center certification fees, dispensary premises, manufacturing facility labeling, and standards for concentration compliance testing, at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2026, in Bismarck, N.D. in AV Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 29, 2026.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2026.

