

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OBERON CITY COUNCIL February 10, 2025

A regular meeting of the Oberon City Council was called to order at 7:17 p.m. on Feb. 10, 2025. City council members present: Mayor Faron Stensland, Ellis Laporte Jr., Kim Krebsbach, Shawn Trotter, Norberta Greywind; and City Auditor Tina Ploium.

Agenda -- Krebsbach made a motion to approve the agenda; Trotter seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

January meeting minutes -- Krebsbach made a motion to approve meeting minutes; Greywind seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

New Business -- Billing update. Old Business -- Waste Management update. Auditor Report -- Billing updates on current and non-current addresses. There were still a couple billings the auditor had to hand-deliver due to no current address being available. As of February 2025, there are still a great number of outstanding bills. Just a couple of people asking about the increase and why.

Payroll and Bills -- Bills and payroll in the amount of \$7,548.70 were presented. Trotter made a motion to approve all bills and payroll; Laporte seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Otter Tail Power Co.	\$566.60
Otter Tail Power Co.	268.97
Otter Tail Power Co.	180.04
Otter Tail Power Co.	72.33
Otter Tail Power Co.	446.35
ND Telephone Co.	208.25
Waste Management	2,964.00
Klemetsrud Plumbing and Heating Co.	240.00
Central Business Systems	53.98
Central Business Systems	36.31
GF Utility	52.00
NAPA Auto	29.70
ND League of Cities	366.00
Tina Ploium	1,108.20
Tina Ploium	118.50
Doug Olson	600.27
Doug Olson	237.20

Next Meeting -- March 10, 2025 at 7:15 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Tina Ploium
City Auditor

Faron Stensland
Mayor

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) will receive bids for the construction of the following project(s):

Job No.: 24035
Project No(s): HEN-3-999(059), NH-3-057(060)006, & NH-3-020(142)097

Length: 29.791
Type: SIGNING, PAVEMENT MARKING, DYNAMIC MESSAGE SIGN, MILL AND OVERLAY

County(s): BENSON & RAMSEY Cos

Location: ND 57, JCT US 281 TO JCT ND 20; ND 20, JCT ND 57 TO N OF CMC 3634 - DEVILS LAKE; ND 57, NEAR 40TH ST NE (FORT TOTTEN) TO JCT ND 20; & ND 20, JCT ND 57 N TO JCT US 2 - DEVILS LAKE

Job No.: 24486
Project No(s): HES-3-999(062)

Length: 61.999
Type: PAVEMENT MARKING

County(s): BENSON, EDDY, NELSON, & RAMSEY Cos

Location: VARIOUS US/STATE HIGHWAYS - SPIRIT LAKE RESERVATION

Job No.: 24491
Project No(s): HES-3-999(063)

Length: 0
Type: PAVEMENT MARKING

County(s): BENSON, CAVALIER, EDDY, FOSTER, GRIGGS, NELSON, PIERCE, RAMSEY, ROLETTE, TOWNER, & WELLS Cos

Location: VARIOUS US/STATE HIGHWAYS - DEVILS LAKE DISTRICT

Bids will be received via the Bid Express on-line bidding exchange at www.bidx.com until 09:30AM, April 11, 2025. Bids will be opened at that time at the NDDOT building on the capitol grounds in Bismarck and the bid results will be distributed and posted online at <https://www.dot.nd.gov/business/bidinfo.htm> approximately 30 minutes after bids are opened.

The proposal forms, plans, and specifications are available on the NDDOT website at <http://www.dot.nd.gov> and may be inspected at the Construction Services Division, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota.

All bidders not currently prequalified with NDDOT must submit an online Contractor's Prequalification request to the Department at least ten (10) business days prior to the bid opening. The online application can be found on the NDDOT website at <https://www.dot.nd.gov/business/contractors.htm>

NDDOT reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive technicalities, or to accept such as may be determined in the best interests of the state.

For disability/language assistance, call 701-328-2978.

Requested by:
Ronald J. Henke, P.E., Director
North Dakota Department of Transportation

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL March 11, 2025

A regular meeting of the Maddock City Council was held March 11, 2025. Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, Dusty Pierson and Teresa Dosch. Absent was Jamie Wentz. Also in attendance were Jamie Green, Keith Winson, Ethan Rode and Mya Ertelt.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve the minutes from the Feb. 11, 2025 regular meeting. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve the following bills. All voting yes, the motion carried.

Wages	\$6,043.03
Valli	25.00
BC Farmers Press	62.25
BC Sheriff's Dept.	600.00
CenDak	405.72
Eaton	1,073.28
Ferguson Waterworks ...	955.97
GF Utility Billing	26.00
Gus's Auto	74.99
Hawkins	324.33
Junior Library Guild	670.52
Maddock Opera House .	200.00
MRES	200.00
ND Dept. of Environ.	20.39
Quality	35.92
Pamela Lee	1,400.00
Steamatic	25.00
Valli	98.94
Vestis	958.05
VISA	6,320.68
Waste Management	8,438.45
Western Area Power Admin.	16,250.00
Eaton	475.00
ND Telephone Co.	2,294.35
NDPERS	44,820.15
Northern Plains Elec.	The new garbage contractor is performing well.

Keith Winson's Report -- The new garbage contractor is performing well. He presented the council with a water tower inspection and cleaning contract from H&H Coatings, Inc.

He received an estimate from Yri Electric for replacing LED lights in streetlights.

Jamie Green's Report -- Provided an update on the AMI water meter installation progress.

Pam Lee's Report -- The annual

audit will be held on March 18, 2025. Tax equalization meeting will be held on April 8, 2025.

Sheriff Ethan Rode was present and provided an update on law enforcement activities in the city.

Mya Ertelt addressed the council, requesting consideration for a change to the city ordinance to allow poultry within city limits. The council tabled the discussion pending further research and will make a decision at the next council meeting.

The council members each gave a portfolio report.

Mayor Dove appointed Teresa Dosch to the tree committee.

The council discussed delinquent utility accounts and the disconnection of services.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to open a garbage dumpster fee checking account at First United Bank. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to agree to act as a fiscal sponsor for the Homemakers Club for a grant application for city beautification. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve an employee cost-of-living adjustment. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve the contract from H&H Coatings, Inc. to inspect and clean the water tower. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve a special event permit for the Olson/Follman wedding dance June 21, 2025 at the BCEC. All voting yes, the motion carried.

The Maddock City Office will remain locked during business hours for the foreseeable future. Access will be by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, please call 701-438-2252. For payments, kindly use the drop box.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m. The next council meeting will be Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

Pamela Lee
City Auditor

Sarah Dove
Mayor

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ESMOND CITY COUNCIL March 12, 2025

The city of Esmond held a regular city council meeting on March 12, 2025 at 7 p.m. at the Esmond City Hall. Present were Mayor Ernest Suich; council members David Wolfe, Shari Wolfe, Roger Hill and Loren Preuss; City Auditor Leigh Wolfe Kaeding. Also present were guests Wanda Bullinger, Karl Grossman and Dwight Leier.

Wanda Bullinger represented the Buffalo Lake Sportsmen's Club Gaming Organization and asked the city of Esmond to renew their gaming license for the Esmond Bar. She also handed out a list of entities who received donations from gaming funds. Shari Wolfe made a motion to renew the gaming site authorization; it was seconded by Loren Preuss. The motion carried.

Karl Grossman asked the city council to review a 2022 special assessment on an empty lot property owned by Grossman that was assessed sewer and garbage. He has asked for a review of this assessment and if it has been recorded in error, he would like to be reimbursed. A motion was made by David Wolfe and seconded by Shari Wolfe to reimburse Karl Grossman if the special assessment was recorded in error. The motion carried. The reimbursement would be \$234.14.

Dwight Leier asked about property lines and if the city had a map or way to locate them. Across from his property south of the Round House has been a place for dumping cement and fill dirt and this dumping may be encroaching on his property. The city does not own a map of the property line pins but agreed to post a "no dumping" sign in this area.

The minutes from the Feb. 12, 2025 regular city council meeting were read and a motion was made by David Wolfe and seconded by Loren Preuss to approve them with no changes. The motion carried.

March's meeting agenda included past-due accounts, ordinance letters, mowing bids, letter for request of public records, ongoing information for grant for the sewer system and any other business that was not mentioned.

A motion was made by David Wolfe and seconded by Roger Hill to pay all approved bills. The motion carried. The bills were as follows:

Central Plains Water	\$59.00
Otter Tail Power Co.	1,040.15
Waste Management	2,279.93
Leigh Wolfe	1,015.85
BC Farmers Press	60.75
Park Board	83.25

Express your gratitude with a card of thanks in the Farmers Press! Only 10 cents per word.

Bids must contain a letter of intent for the future use of the building.

Bids to be sent to:
PO Box 56, Esmond, ND 58332

Questions to:
cityofesmond@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR BIDS: APRIL 4, 2025

The City of Esmond has the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD January 15, 2025

A regular meeting of the Leeds School Board was held Jan. 15, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson, Engstrom, Kirkeide, Herman and Tuft; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Matt Swanson of the LEA. Absent: Principal/AD Eberle.

Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7 a.m. with the option of the Pledge.

No principal's report -- absent. Superintendent Report -- PowerSchool breach; January 20 in-service PD day in Maddock; attending negotiations seminar.

Kirkeide motioned to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Herman and carried.

GENERAL FUND
Advanced Business
Methods

Methods	\$1,078.06
Airgas USA, LLC	270.15
Amazon.com	885.63
Apptegy	5,800.00
Braun, Susan	46.59
Capital One	190.00
CenDak Co-op	1,748.32
Cenex	38.52
CEV Multimedia	1,500.00
DL Service Repair, LLC ..	594.00
Farmers Union Oil Co. ...	287.54
Follman, Shelby	53.43
Follman, Shoane	242.01
Gerrells	19.98
H. E. Everson Co.	334.50
Harlow's Bus Sales, Inc.	479.91
Heart of Americ Medical Center	134.00
IntegratEd	1,546.60
Johnson's Plastics	116.83
NCB Electric, LLC	130.80
ND Telephone Co.	320.24
Nelsen Lawn Care Services	350.00
Newby's Ace Hardware .	34.95
NFHS Learning Center ...	11.99
Otter Tail Power Co.	4,711.10
Paulson Supply, Inc.	170.40
Postmaster	8.70
Record Keeper	82.80
Sanford Health Occup. Medicine Bismarck	129.00
Scholastic	454.88
Stein's, Inc.	1,452.35
Teachers Pay Teachers	109.48
Time Management Systems, Inc.	40.50
Tractor Supply Co.	113.87
VCSU Online	390.00
Vestis	109.90
Walmart Store #1695 ...	136.60
Fund Total	\$24,123.63

FOOD SERVICE FUND
US Foodservice, Inc.

Fund Total

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND
Aanstad, Luke

Aanstad, Luke	\$365.00
Brown, Kent	237.00
Capital One	386.99
CenDak Co-op	161.21
Concessions	620.43
Dakota Prairie HS	75.00
Dollar Tree Stores	132.75
Elfman, Mark	214.00
Foster, Greg	206.00
Grande, Daniel	202.00
Griggs Co. Central HS ..	75.00
LR Curling	500.00
LR State College	750.00
Lehmann, Jerad	320.00
Luna, Eli	160.00
Mayville State Univ.	500.00
McDonald's Restaurant ..	20.26
NDSU	1,500.00
Nelsen, Kim	37.56
Northern Bottling DL	2,053.30
Poppler's Music, Inc.	40.95
UM Crookston	750.00
Walmart Store #1695 ...	159.04
Fund Total	\$9,466.49

Tufts motioned to approve the open enrollment forms for five (5) students. Seconded by Kirkeide and carried.

Tufts motioned, pursuant to NDCC section 15.1-16-10, that the board of Leeds Public School District recognizes the Leeds Education Association as the appropriate negotiating unit for all employees licensed to teach by ESPB and approved to teach by ESPB and employed primarily as classroom teachers. Seconded by Kirkeide and carried.

Jacobson motioned to approve the 2025-26 school calendar. Seconded by Herman and carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 19, 2025 at 7 a.m.

Becky Haagenson
Business Manager

Jeff Jacobson
President

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD February 21, 2025

A regular meeting of the Leeds School Board was held Feb. 21, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson, Engstrom, Tufts and Herman; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Beth Haagenson of the LEA. Absent: Principal/AD Eberle; board member Kirkeide.

Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:05 a.m. with the option to state the Pledge.

Additions to the Agenda -- Open enrollment forms.

Superintendent Report -- Health inspector report; prom update; legislation update; Devin Allmaras hired in pre-K; hiring FT 5th grade and pre-K for next school year.

Herman motioned to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Tufts and carried.

GENERAL FUND
Ace Hardware

Ace Hardware	\$164.38
Advanced Business Methods	1,078.06
Airgas USA, LLC	276.51
Amazon.com	481.15
Brady Martz and Assoc., P.C.	3,701.25
Bravera Bank	60.00
Capital One	145.40
CenDak Co-op	4,211.76
City of Leeds	416.64
Computer Store, Inc., The	4,125.00
Curriculum Assoc., LLC	396.60
Education Standards & Practices Board	44.50
Gas Stations	58.86
Gimkit	59.88
Hobby Lobby	43.89
IntegratEd	1,087.00
Internal Revenue Service	265.97
Johnson's Plumbing Service, Inc.	650.04
LR Special Education ...	49,614.22
Lakeshore Learning Materials	284.42
Larson, Breanne	157.02
Leavers Super Valu	73.60
Manley, Jeff	352.95
Midwest Investigation & Security, Inc.	375.00
NASSP	480.00
ND Center for Distance Education	2,290.00
ND Telephone Co.	318.93

The meeting adjourned at 8 a.m. Becky Haagenson Business Manager

Jeff Jacobson President

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD February 5, 2025

A special meeting of the Leeds School Board was held Feb. 5, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson, Engstrom, Kirkeide, Herman and Tufts; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Principal/AD Eberle (by phone); and Lauren Follman of the LEA.

Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m. with the option of the Pledge.

Kirkeide motioned to accept the staffing proposal, FT 5th grade teacher, PT/FT pre-K teacher and FT counselor/MTSS interventionist for 2025-26. Seconded by Herman and carried.

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