

Dickey County Commission Minutes May 20, 2025

Commissioner Meeting May 20, 2025

Chair Brandon Carlson called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. Commissioners John Hokana, Jerry Walsh, Kacey Holm, and Marke Roberts were also present. Auditor Sheppard and OtterTail Power Company Kris Koch was also present. The media was not present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. States Attorney Kim Radermacher, Administrative Assistant Monica Pakonen, Clerk of Court Andi Schimke, Dickey County Sheriff's office, Applied Digital Martin Vega, and resident Cindy Bagley were in attendance via electronic means.

Additions to the Agenda
Pheasant Lake mowing
Legislative wrap-up
Drain County Road 12
Roberts made a motion to approve the May 6th meeting as amended. Holm seconded. Motion carried.

Sheppard presented three additional vouchers to be approved, one for \$142.67 to Central Business Systems, one for \$576.43 to JPMorgan, and \$20,000.00 to Fellows Coffee. Walsh made a motion to approve the vouchers with the additions. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

The April 2025 financials were reviewed. Treasurer Wonada Lematta joined at 9:20 to discuss the interest on the CD's listed at the bottom of the report. Walsh made a motion to authorize Lematta to purchase \$2,000,000 in CDs in 6 month CDs at the best interest Lematta locates. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried. Lematta will inform the Commission of the percentage of received on the new CDs.

Hokana made a motion to approve the financials. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Lematta presented the quarterly pledge report for first quarter 2025. Roberts made a motion to approve the pledge report. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Schimke discussed with the Commission an issue with the person hired to mow the county park at Pheasant Lake. A new bid has been submitted, not using the county equipment. Carlson stated that Highway Superintendent Hagen stated that the individuals hired as summer help at the highway shop could do the mowing. A decision was made to use the summer help and Deputy Auditor Stormy Bertsch would be a backup. Schimke requested an hourly rate if other work needed to be done outside of county hours. Based on the bids received, a decision was made to pay \$25 per hour.

Applied Digital representatives Martin Vega and Andrea Mireles joined the meeting at 9:48. Tax Director Don Flaherty joined the meeting at 9:55.

Schimke discussed the mowing residents are doing on county park property at Pheasant Lake. The Commission asked Radermacher for clarification if restrictions were on the original deed which would not allow the Commission to sell the property. Radermacher stated there are no restrictions on the original deed. Holm made a motion to authorize Radermacher to send a letter to all landowners at Pheasant Lake, informing them not to mow county property. Walsh seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Holm made a motion to open the abatement hearing. Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Flaherty presented a homestead credit application for one parcel, which qualifies for 50% credit for tax year 2024 and 100% credit for 2023. Holm made a motion to approve the homestead credit application. Hokana seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Holm made a motion to close the abatement hearing. Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Holm made a motion to open the omitted tax hearing. Hokana seconded. Motion carried.

Flaherty presented 25 parcels that have prorated omitted tax for tax year 2025 for property purchased in 2024 that converted from exempt to non-exempt for tax purposes. The reason for most of these properties was the deeds were recorded in the Records Office at the end of 2024 after tax statements were mailed. Walsh made a motion to approve the 25 parcels to be added to the tax rolls. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Holm made a motion to close the omitted tax hearing. Walsh seconded. Motion carried.

Flaherty, as Ellendale City Mayor, informed the Commission that Ellendale City Council feels they will not be able to assess the loan for the improvements on 87th Avenue up to 95th Street to Highway 281. Discussion included the fact it will need to be worked out between Applied Digital's lawyer, City of Ellendale's lawyer, and the County States Attorney.

The meeting went into recess at 10:10 and returned at 10:18. Holm presented a rough draft of the zoning ordinances that have been worked on by the Zoning Board. Holm and Roberts reported to the Commission on the contents and how the board has worked together. Holm specifically pointed out pages 78, 82, and 100. Roberts stated there is a system in place in the

ordinances allowing for waivers. The Board has worked at not hindering any commerce development in the County and feel they are giving townships room to develop their own ordinances.

KLJ Engineer Bryan Tykwinski joined the meeting at 10:45. Elden Township representative Gary Dathe joined the meeting at 10:48. Highway Superintendent Jeff Hagen joined the meeting at 10:50.

Sheppard presented a contract with Vanguard Appraisal to complete final assessments for the new buildings at Applied Digital when they are complete. Roberts made a motion to sign the contract. Holm seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Hagen presented a blading contract from Young Township. Holm made a motion to sign the contract. Walsh seconded. Motion carried.

Hagen presented a blading contract with the City of Monango. Holm made a motion to sign the contract. Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Hagen stated he had received a quote to do patchwork on County Road #2 and the bridge by Maple River Colony on County Road #8. The quote was \$11,749.75 for County Road #2 and \$19,480.12 for the bridge on County Road #8. Holm made a motion to approve the patchwork done at both locations. Walsh seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried.

Discussion followed concerning the county gravel pit on Highway 56. It is a 37-acre pit that is sandy. Discussion included trading gravel for the sand, if someone was interested. Discussion also included the possibility of selling the land, if we are not going to use it.

Dathe spoke with the Commission on converting 87th Avenue to 95th Street in Elden Township to county road. Dathe stated the township is still willing to turn the road over to the county. There has not been a plan for it, but the township would like to see one, as they have some areas of concern. An additional culvert should be considered at 88th Avenue, which Tykwinski stated should have a hydrology study. Dathe stated one had been done for FEMA a few years ago. Sheppard will see if that study can be located and will give a copy to Tykwinski. Discussion followed that the legal paperwork needs to be in place. Radermacher stated that there should be a motion and a resolution made by Elden Township. The rules of House Bill 1444 should be followed. The Township and the County each need to have a special meeting to meet those guidelines. The township could meet and then the Commission meet following that meeting. Sheppard will work with the township to get the

agendas in the paper. The meeting will be on June 10th, with time and location to be set.

Tykwinski stated he would like to have a pre-design meeting with the County and Elden Township. Carlson stated he would attend the meeting. Tykwinski will let Carlson know the time and date of the meeting. Roberts questioned if the motion made to start this process should be revoked since the Memorandum of Understanding agreement is different than the original agreement presented at the Commission meeting. That revoke will be completed once the agreement is finalized.

Tykwinski presented the design engineering contract for Dickey County #3 east of Oakes in the amount of \$40,000. Hokana made a motion to sign the contract. Roberts seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion carried. The bid opening is June 20th with a start date in August.

Carlson updated the Commission on the drain on County Road #12 that John Quandt spoke with the Commission about. US Fish and Wildlife has approved the project but there are issues with the NRCS that are being worked through. The cost of the project will be approximately \$36,000, with the Water Board paying half of the cost and the county paying the other half.

Hokana made a motion to adjourn at 12:00 pm.

Salary	194,473.73
Cities, Township, Schools	826,102.82
Monthly Expenses	1,459.69
Cole Paper	249.64
Chads Electric	989.37
Dickey County Leader	42.00
Dickey County Leader	1,188.52
ND Surplus Property	40.00
Overpayment Refund	5,123.56
Prairie Printing	225.00
Quadiant Finance USA INC	4,000.00
Rapid Response Plumbing Heating & air	9,475.00
Schimke Andi	430.40
The Village Family Service Center	1,500.00
Amazon Capital Service	222.01
Bobcat of Gwinner	289.59
Dakota Plains Credit Union	180.60
Ecoblab Pest Elimination Division	103.49
Ellendale True Value	79.96
John Deere Financial	48.98
Maertens Welding and Machine Company	4,064.80
North Dakota One Call	1.50
Oakes Truck & Trailer	1,566.59
Pomps Tire Service inc	435.70
Southeast Water Users	54.54
Vestis	192.58
Dickey County Recorder's office	20.00
Dickey County Recorder's office	40.00

Michael Brademeyer	900.00
Barnes County Corrections	200.00
Bracco Restoration inc	9,191.00
Fronties Builders Supply	50,000.00
Dakota Plains Credit Union	396.05
Dickey County Agriculture Improvement Association	744.00
Kiser Breana	178.00
Holiday Inn Fargo	198.00
Kaesser & Blair Incorporated	255.23
NDSU Extension Service- AG Budget	7,019.52
Viking Print Shop	13.88
Farmers Union Oil Co	313.05
Spraysync	480.00
Gemar Justin	79.80
Hansen Stephen	70.00
John Quandt	42.00
AT&T Mobility	820.23
Chads Electric	2,840.00
City of Ellendale	567.06
Dickey County Hwy Dept	1,113.07
Dickey County hwy dept	84.00
Montana Dakota Utilities	3,882.86
ND Public Employees Retirement	46,691.66
ND Public Employees Retirement	439.56
ND Public Employees Retirement	8,223.10
ND Public Employees Retirement	458.72
ND Public Employees Retirement	14.19
ND Public Employees Retirement	130.02
ND Public Employees Retirement	14.19
ND Public Employees Retirement	1,661.50
Wex Health INC	562.00
ND Public Employees Retirement	1,217.49
Wex Health INC	724.97
Wex Health INC	50.00
Community Volunteer EMS of LaMoure	168.71
Kulm Ambulance Corps Inc.	12,532.06
Edgeley Ambulance Service	439.30
Oakes Volunteer Ambulance Service	4,204.58
Ashley Ambulance District	194.48
Ellendale City	5,888.95
Oakes City	2,557.70
Garrison Diversion	6,030.03
James River Soil Conservation	14,400.15
Ellendale Fire	3,297.79
Oakes Fire	4,509.47
Dickey County Senior Citizens	5,905.25
Dickey County Historical	1,476.32
Kedish House	301.46
Sargent County Drain	648.69
ND State Treasurer	5,741.23
Dickey County Treasurer	595.00
Carlson Brandon	31.50
Central Business Systems INC	142.67
Creative Product Source INC	285.55
Dickey County 4-H Council	3,000.00

Farmers Union Oil Co	100.90
Hokana John	44.80
Holm Kacey	82.60
Information Technology Dept	1,812.55
Innovative Office Solutions LLC	53.47
ND Association of Counties	22.00
Overpayment Refund	6,264.59
US Records Midwest LLC	241.22
Vestis	164.53
Agtegra- Oakes	833.29
Ecoblab Pest Elimination Division	103.49
Farmers Union Oil Co	732.71
John Deere Financial	5,416.60
KLJ Engineering LLC	29,850.12
Lorena's Cleaning SERV	400.00
Napa Central	395.07
North Central International LLC	141,964.00
Oakes Truck & Trailer	6,771.34
Ottertail Power Company	80.11
Safety Kleen Systems INC	274.15
Sign Solutions	76.68
True North Steel	2,939.80
Vestis	577.74
Waste Management	84.95
Office of Attorney General	600.00
Barnes County Corrections	100.00
Stutsman Correctional Center	500.00
Dakota Plains Credit Union	48.23
Dakota Plains Credit Union	137.40
Z's Fresh Market	38.54
Dickey County Leader	16.00
Napa Central	109.34
Dakota Valley Electric Coop	124.00
Dickey Rural Networks	1,503.12
Montana Dakota Utilities	2,901.24
Human Services	832.37
JP Morgan Chase Bank	576.43
Everspring Inn & Suites	143.60
Moore Engineering INC	562.50
ND Public Employees Retirement	24,381.00
ND Public Employees Retirement	3,221.84
ND Public Employees Retirement	1,661.50
ND Public Employees Retirement	562.00
ND Public Employees Retirement	156.19
Wex Health INC	1,217.49
ND Public Employees Retirement	724.97
Aflac	2,541.85
Delta Dental Plan of Mn	2,303.07
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	397.16
ND Child Support Division	200.00
James Valley Regional Lodge	66.34

Respectfully Submitted
Brandon Carlson, Chairman
Wanda Sheppard, Auditor
(June 19, 2025)

Dickey County Sheriff's Report MAY 2025 Calls For Service

May 2, 2025
6:14 pm Grass Fire South of Oakes
6:52 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
7:06 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
7:10 pm Controlled Burn Southeast of Oakes
7:31 pm Traffic Stop West of Oakes
8:31 pm Traffic Stop South of Oakes
May 3, 2025
10:59 am Controlled Burn West of Forbes
5:13 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
5:19 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
5:33 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
11:54 pm Agency Assist with Marshall County SD
May 4, 2025
3:29 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
3:38 pm Traffic Stop West of Ellendale
4:04 pm Paper Service West of Ellendale
4:22 pm 911 Misdial West of Ellendale
4:33 pm Paper Service North of Ellendale
4:51 pm Paper Service North of Ellendale
6:31 pm Grass Fire East of Ellendale
8:59 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 5, 2025
3:09 am Grass Fire East of Ellendale
9:22 am Reckless Driver North of Ellendale
2:46 pm Grass Fire East of Ellendale
7:28 pm 24/7 Testing in Ellendale
7:50 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale
May 6, 2025
11:02 am Domestic South of Oakes

12:58 pm 911 Misdial West of Ellendale
4:59 pm 911 Open Line East of Ellendale
8:48 pm Paper Service Southwest of Oakes
May 7, 2025
2:41 pm Controlled Burn Southwest of Ellendale
6:02 pm Reckless Driver South of Oakes
May 8, 2025
5:30 am 911 Hang up West of Ellendale
7:33 am Medical Assist in Ellendale
11:21 am Paper Service North of Ellendale
11:28 am Paper Service North of Ellendale
12:04 pm Controlled Burn Northeast of Guelph
12:39 pm Controlled Burn Southwest of Oakes
1:23 pm Paper Service in Oakes
1:29 pm Paper Service in Oakes
2:00 pm Grass Fire Southwest of Oakes
3:58 pm 911 Hang up in Oakes
6:38 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
7:58 pm 911 Misdial in Ellendale
10:39 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale
May 9, 2025
2:32 am Agency Assist with LaMoure County
6:08 am 911 Open Line East of Ellendale
8:33 am Medical Assist West of Ellendale
9:02 am Controlled Burn Southwest of Oakes
10:30 am 24/7 Testing South of Oakes
10:34 am Motor Vehicle Accident North of Oakes
11:11 am Paper Service in Oakes
11:20 am Paper Service in Oakes

8:42 pm Paper Service in Oakes
8:59 pm Paper Service Northeast of Oakes
9:29 pm Paper Service in Oakes
May 10, 2025
11:58 am 911 Misdial Northeast of Ellendale
10:49 pm 911 Misdial West of Ellendale
May 11, 2025
4:07 pm Fire Northwest of Oakes
May 12, 2025
4:39 pm Grass Fire Southwest of Ellendale
6:35 pm ATV Accident East of Oakes
7:28 pm Traffic Stop South of Oakes
7:56 pm Alarm West of Ellendale
May 13, 2025
9:06 am Paper Service North of Ellendale
9:19 am 911 Hang up West of Ellendale
5:06 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
5:31 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale
6:45 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale
10:33 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 14, 2025
1:31 pm Motor Vehicle Accident North of Ellendale
6:17 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
7:10 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:34 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:41 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:50 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:58 pm Paper Service in Oakes
8:10 pm Paper Service in Oakes
10:37 pm Controlled Burn East of Ellendale

May 15, 2025
1:10 am Fire East of Ellendale
4:19 pm Paper Service in Oakes
4:31 pm Paper Service in Oakes
10:06 pm Agency Assist with LaMoure County
May 16, 2025
8:56 am 911 Misdial Northeast of Ellendale
10:21 am 911 Open Line West of Ellendale
2:21 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
11:27 pm Agency Assist with Brown County
May 17, 2025
10:11 am Unattended Death South of Kulm
4:31 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 18, 2025
1:19 am Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
10:18 am Controlled Burn East of Ellendale
8:27 pm Traffic Stop West of Ellendale
9:54 pm Car/Deer Accident South of Fullerton
10:43 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 19, 2025
7:29 am Medical Assist in Ellendale
9:20 am Hit & Run Accident North of Oakes
2:12 pm Car/Deer Accident West of Ellendale
May 20, 2025
1:08 pm Paper Service in Ellendale
2:01 pm Paper Service in Oakes
2:15 pm Paper Service in Oakes
8:50 pm Paper Service in Oakes
10:56 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale
May 21, 2025
3:00 pm Controlled Burn West of Ellendale

5:04 pm Traffic Stop West of Ellendale
7:48 pm Motorist Assist North of Ellendale
9:56 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
10:28 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 22, 2025
9:19 am Controlled Burn Southwest of Oakes
10:51 am 24/7 Testing East of Oakes
12:39 pm Controlled Burn West of Ellendale
5:29 pm Traffic Stop West of Oakes
6:08 pm Paper Service in Oakes
6:20 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:05 pm Paper Service in Oakes
7:32 pm Traffic Stop East of Ellendale
9:28 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale
10:11 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale
May 23, 2025
2:38 pm 911 Misdial West of Ellendale
10:13 pm Welfare Check East of Ellendale
May 24, 2025
1:30 am Motorist Assist East of Ellendale
8:08 am 911 Hang up in Ellendale
11:07 am Paper Service in Oakes
12:08 am Reckless Driver North of Oakes
7:27 pm Agency Assist with LaMoure County
9:07 pm 911 Misdial South of Oakes
May 25, 2025
11:00 am 911 Hang up East of Ellendale
11:35 am Fire Southeast of Kulm
2:08 pm Paper Service in Oakes
8:37 pm Motorcycle Accident

South of Ellendale
May 26, 2025
4:58 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale
7:48 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
10:10 pm 911 Misdial South of Ellendale
May 27, 2025
11:19 am Harassing Phone Call East of Ellendale
1:21 pm Medical Assist West of Ellendale
2:16 pm 911 Hang up West of Ellendale
6:00 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
6:11 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
8:38 pm Paper Service in Oakes
10:14 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale
11:20 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
May 28, 2025
12:11 am Motorist Assist West of Ellendale
1:14 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale
4:34 pm 911 Misdial South of Oakes
5:11 pm Paper Service West of Ellendale
9:19 pm Agency Assist with LaMoure County
May 29, 2025
2:38 pm Medical Assist in Forbes
4:14 pm 911 Hang up West of Ellendale
May 30, 2025
7:44 am 911 Misdial West of Ellendale
5:02 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale
6:52 pm Traffic Stop West of Ellendale
7:21 pm 911 Hang up North of Ellendale
May 31, 2025
12:54 am Agency Assist with LaMoure County
1:51pm 911 Open Line West of Ellendale Stop in Ellendale

