

M Construction to repair road

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As much as 1,200 yards of roadway on 12th St. NW in Beulah will be undergoing repair.

M Construction, of Halliday, was awarded the bid to repair a section of the road, near Burger King, replacing it with concrete for a total of \$233,000. The city’s engineer, Jerod Klablunde, of Moore Engineering, said the city has yet to receive a schedule for the project but expects work to begin soon.

A total of three bids were collected, ranging from \$303,000 to \$233,000, which M Construction was the lowest bid. The city approved the bid to M Construction at its regular meeting, Aug. 18, also agreeing to use the city’s Prairie Dog Funds to pay for the project.

The project entails excavating the asphalt and repair the road using eight inches of concrete, which Klabunde pointed out the city has had success with similar projects before. Along with repairs of the road, M Construction will also replace a 40-foot-long gutter.

Klabunde said the project should be done within the “construction season,” as long as weather conditions permit.

KRCC’s Adeline Slagg celebrates 100th birthday

BY DANIEL ARENS
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When it comes to living long and enjoying the ride all the way, Adeline Slagg is a pro, with fond memories and wise advice for others to follow.

Earlier in August, nephews and nieces and their families came out to Knife River Care Center in Beulah to celebrate a milestone in Adeline’s lifetime of achievements. On Aug. 15, she turned 100 years old.

“I had a beautiful birthday,” Adeline said. “My family was all here. I felt like I was celebrating all week.”

The family spent time visiting together and reminiscing about favorite memories. Adeline was given a birthday crown to wear as well (although it didn’t work very well, she recalled with a laugh). She also enjoyed a visit from her friend Carol.

“We mainly visited, I guess,” she said. “And I got a lot of gifts. But I got way, way too many sweets.”

Over the course of her long life,



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Knife River Care Center put up a big banner outside to recognize and celebrate Adeline Slagg for her 100th birthday on Aug. 15.

Adeline has watched the world grow and change in many ways, not always to her liking.

“Now they have all this crazy technology,” she protested, good-naturedly but honestly. “There’s all this AI now and I don’t believe in AI. I believe God gave us brains.”

Adeline’s own mind is sharp and clear, having been honed both on

the farm where she grew up and in the banking industry where she spent her working life.

“I grew up on a farm,” she recalled. “I didn’t have to work in the fields, my dad didn’t believe in girls working the fields. I had my chores I did, though.”

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ZAP AUGUST CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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August 18 2025 6:30 pm

Call meeting to order 6:32 pm. Present: Tammy Gillig, Rhonda Pfenning, Jamey Boutilier, Mike Duttonhefner, Joe Grammond, and Glenn Neuberger. Steve Stefansky absent. Residents in attendance: Leeroy Winker, Sharon Winkler, Kane Ophahl, Kinzie Opdahl. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Agenda: Grammond added Zap Motor Daze Liquor Permit under new business. Motion by Gillig seconded by Boutilier to approve Agenda with addition. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion by Gillig, seconded by Boutilier to approve July 2025 minutes with changes. Roll call vote. All in favor. Maintenance report: East lift station needs new seal when servicing pumps. Ordering a new handheld meter reader. Water Certification testing this month. Angle blade repair before winter. Request of Citizens: Leeroy and Sharon Winkler: purchasing lots behind Lot 20 Rathjen Addition. Quit Claim Deed from City. Kane and Kinzie Opdahl: ask to purchase a small tract of land along current property. Opdahl

will return with proposal. Financial report: Motion by Gillig, seconded by Grammond to accept financial report. Roll call vote. All in favor. Old Business: lift station repairs not yet complete. New Business: Motion by Grammond, seconded by Boutilier to accept Letter of Securities from USB; Gillig recuse herself from voting. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion by Grammond to approve three liquor permits: Mics Tavern for September 12/13 Zap Motor Daze; September 14 Demolition Derby and Wedding Dance September 20, 2025. Roll call vote. All in favor. 2026 Budget reviewed. Motion by Boutilier, seconded by Gillig to approve the 2026 Preliminary Budget. Roll call vote. All in favor. City Business: Community Hall: no report. Mayor: no report. Police: waiting for information on court hearings. Water/ Sewer: discussed above. Overdue bills reported. Streets: no report. Building/Grounds: Letters will be sent to property owners to clean/mow yards. Auditor: no report. Motion by Grammond, seconded by Boutilier to approve bills. Roll call vote. All in favor. Bills presented: USPS - 31.40;

Donovan & Kaffar – 100.00; Rhonda Pfenning – 12.10; Glenn Neuberger – 31.40; Beulah Beacon – 106.25; Farmers Union – 934.62; MidAmerican Research Chemical – 2665.52; Pump Systems – 4295.26; Dakota Fire Extinguishers – 428.70; MDU – 1290.22; North Dakota Department of Health – 27.00; WRT – 277.12; City of Zap – 161.00; Dustex – 70.00; Hazen Hardware Hank – 300.34; J & M Hardware – 214.85; One Call Concepts – 9.00; Mercer County Sheriff – 1185.54; Riteway – 174.9; Solem Law Office – 157.50; Amazon – 110.03; Beulah Lumber – 184.08; Southwest Water – 4176.52; USB – 361.39; MGM – 3265.25; NAPA - 1146.23; D Kasanke – 113.51; R Pfenning – 924.91; G Neuberger – 1274.85; D Horning – 1435.10. Motion by Grammond, seconded by Boutilier to adjourn. Roll call vote. All in favor. Meeting ended 8:28 pm.

Subject to revision and approval. Rhonda Pfenning, Zap City Auditor Mike Duttonhefner, Zap Mayor (08-28-2025)

CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 7, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Kenton Richau.

Council members present: Rodney Brecht, Kyle Lukenbach, Curt Schank, Shannon McKay, Kenton Richau

Others Present: Heidi Moos

Motion by Curt Schank, second by Shannon McKay to approve the July regular minutes as mailed out. Roll call vote – all voted in favor. After council review Kyle Lukenbach motioned with second by Shannon McKay to approve the July financial report as presented. Roll call vote – all voted in favor. After council review Rodney Brecht motioned with second by Curt Schank to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote – all voted in favor.

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Salaries – 1983.70, Pahlke Steel 2320.04, Beulah Beacon 68.12, Beulah Lumber 71.88, City of Beulah 923.80, Deen Brecht 195.00, Donovan & Kaffar PLLP 482.70, Farmers Union Insurance 2092.00, Farmers Union Oil Co. 238.00, Heidi Moos 53.22, Industrial Fabworx 1550.00, J-S Sanitation 165.00, Jericho Keller 60.77, MDU 646.99, Mercer County Sheriff 1185.00, ND Dept Health – Microbiology 27.00, Neuberger Oil Co. 419.80, Southwest Water Authority 3820.79, Western Dakota Energy 200.00

Discussion on ND Forest Grant paperwork and status of log cabin roof, dump truck floor and playground fire truck repairs

Discussion of sewer jet/camera findings on sewer lines near 3rd Street NW and 1st Ave NE. McKay suggested inspecting lines next spring and getting quotes for budgeting.

Moos presented the 2026 Preliminary Budget. During review Brecht proposed an increase in auditor wages.

After discussion McKay motioned to increase auditor wages \$225.00/month beginning January 1, 2026, second by Kyle Lukenbach. Roll call vote – all voted in favor. After full review and discussion, Kyle Lukenbach motioned to approve the 2026 Preliminary Budget, second by Rodney Brecht. Roll call vote – all voted in favor. The Final Budget Hearing is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 2025 at 4:00PM in the council chambers. The public is invited to attend.

McKay offered to purchase supplies needed and patch street holes and cracks before the Golden Valley Rally. Discussion held on options for fixing or replacing the west air conditioning unit in the community center.

Special Liquor License application from Jeremy Hoff, Ranchers Bar – Richardson, was reviewed and discussed by the council. Shannon McKay motioned to approve the special liquor license for Jeremy Hoff to service alcohol on August 16 and 17, 2025 from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the rodeo arena, second by Curt Schank. Roll call vote – all voted in favor.

Building permit for John Lindemann was reviewed by the council. Kyle Lukenbach motioned to approve the building permit as submitted, second by Rodney Brecht. Roll call vote – all voted in favor.

Discussion on playground park pavilion – Lukenbach will call Commissioner Bauman to get more information on park monies available in Mercer County.

Next regular council meeting scheduled for Monday, September 8, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. These minutes are unofficial and subject to council review and approval.

KENTON RICHAU, MAYOR
HEIDI MOOS, AUDITOR
(08-28-2025)

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Basin Electric Power Cooperative
Case No. PU-24-361
345kV Mercer-McLean-Ward-Mountrail-Williams Cty
Siting Application
NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING
On October 24, 2024, Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin) filed a consolidated application for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit (Application) concerning approximately 162 miles of 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities (Project) in Mercer, McLean, Ward, Mountrail, and Williams Counties, North Dakota.
On April 22, 2025, the Commission adopted the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order and issued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 237 and Route Permit Number 248 related to the Project.
On August 12, 2025, Basin filed an Amendment to the Application proposing two reroutes for the Project. Both reroutes

are located in Mountrail County. The first reroute is approximately 4,000 feet in length, starts in Township 152 North, Range 88 West, Section 7 just west of Tower 377-501 and extends to Township 153 North, Range 88 West, Section 33 at Tower 377-512. The second reroute is approximately 4,500 feet in length and starts in Township 154 North, Range 93 West, Section 25 at Tower 378-081 and extends to Township 154 North, Range 93 West, Section 11 at Tower 378-101. The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Is the proposed facility compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and

ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion? Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and requests for hearings must be received by October 3, 2025. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a formal hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify the Commission.

Issued: August 20, 2025
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Sheri Haugen-Hoffart, Commissioner
Randy Christmann, Chair
Jill Kringstad, Commissioner
(08-28-2025)



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