PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONAL **MEETING AND ELECTION** OLIVER COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT

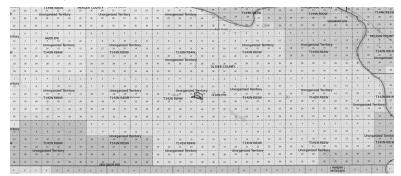
Notice is hereby given to all qualified electors living within the boundaries of the district, May 15, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Oliver County Ambulance Facility, 208 Market Street East, Center, ND 58530 an organizational meeting will be held to elect Oliver County Ambulance District Board of Directors. Immediately following the organizational meeting, the District's Board of Directors will hold a public meeting with the following agenda.

- 1 Call the Meeting to Order
- 2 Nomination and Election of officers 3 Current ambulance service overview to District Board
- 4 Present draft governance bylaws for
- board review 5 Mill Levy authority - consideration and
- resolution 6 Set next meeting date

TERRITORY OF THE OLIVER COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT - 438 SQUARE MILES

County	Township	Township/Range		Sections
Mercer		144	84	25-29, 32-36
Oliver		144	83	22, 27, 30-35
		143	85	1-6, 8-17, 20-36
		143	84	1-36
		143	83	1-36
		143	82	25-36
		143	81	30-32
		142	86	1-3, 10-15, E ½ of 21, 22-28, 31-36
		142	85	1-36
		142	84	1-36
		142	83	1-36
		142	82	1-36
		142	81	4-9, 16-21, 27-32
		141	85	1-12
		141	84	1-36
		141	83	1-36
		141	82	1-24, 28-33
		141	81	5-8, 17-20

All of the City of Center



(05-01-2025)(05-08-2025)

CITY OF HAZEN BOARD OF **EQUALIZATION MEETING**

April 8, 2025 Hazen City Hall

Present: Commissioner Haack, Commissioner Stern and Commissioner Wiedrich Others Present: Assessor/Auditor Erhardt, and Alice Grinsteinner.

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM by Vice-President Haack.

Assessor/Auditor Erhardt informed the commission that thirty (30) sales were used to calculate a median ratio of 92.32, bringing the total property value to \$199,647,694, an increase of 8.47% from the previous year. The board was informed that one hundred eighty-eight (188) notices of increases were mailed with the majority relating to changes made to residential land values to maintain compliance with ND Century Code. Alice Grinsteinner appeared before the board to request further review of a property that has an uninhabitable mobile home on it, and it was agreed that the city assessor would make an appointment to review the property

to determine if there is any erroneous information that needs to be corrected and the condition of the property. The commission was also informed that one hundred fifteen (115) Homestead Credit applications were sent out, with all but twenty-two (22) having been returned and sixteen (16) properties have applied/qualified for exemptions.

As there are still questions about one property, Vice-President Haack recessed the meeting of the Board of Equalization and the board will reconvene on Monday, April 21, 2025, at 5:30 PM to continue the equalization process.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at

Approved: Jerry Obenauer, President Attest: Monte J. Erhardt, Auditor

(05-01-2025)

HAZEN CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all qualified April

Hazen City Hall

Present: Commissioner Folkerts, Commissioner Haack, Commissioner Stern, and Commissioner Wiedrich.

Absent: President Obenauer.

Others Present: Jerod Klabunde (Moore Eng), Editor Arens, Tim Williams, Darrell Wurl, Myra Savelkoul, Buster Langowski, PW Director Brousseau, Attorney Kaffar, Police Chief Wolff, Auditor Erhardt, Laura and Dillon Dronen.

Vice-President Haack called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Vice-President Haack led the pledge of allegiance and said the prayer.

Minutes: Commissioner Wiedrich moved to suspend the reading and approve the minutes of the March 17th meeting, as presented, second by Commissioner Stern. Motion unanimously approved.

Agenda: Commissioner Wiedrich moved to approve the agenda, as presented, second by Commissioner Folkerts. Motion unanimously approved.

CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY AND

Expedition Estates - T. Williams: Tim Williams, Williams Building Company Inc, met with the commission and advised that the remaining part of Otter Creek loop should be paved by June of this year and further stated that, as developer, they have completed all the work they said they would do. Mr. Williams would like the city to reconsider the moratorium on the issuance of building permits. Mr. Williams would like to transfer the property back to the city when the road, and current construction projects, are completed by transferring the finance costs of roughly \$1.3 million to the city. There are thirty (30) residential lots and one (1) commercial lot ready for sale and construction. Attorney Kaffar recommended the city study this option further as this is a complicated issue, since the city is not typically involved in developing properties. Mr. Kaffar also said the city would want to see the road completed and should consider all options. Jerod Klabunde, Moore Engineering, said they have been working with the developer and agreed that most work has been completed but, there are still questions about some water levels heights and the condition of the sewer main on 11th Avenue. Mr. Williams indicated the pipe is functional and has been working and Mr. Klabunde would like to see it televised and a mandrel pulled through it. When asked by Commissioner Folkerts, Mr. Williams indicated the moratorium on building permits is an impediment to funding for the completion of the development. Vice-President Haack would like to follow-up on these discussion after further conversations with the city attorney. No further action taken.

Engineer's Report: Regarding Expedition Estates, Mr. Klabunde had nothing at this time. Regarding the alley project, there is still work to be completed behind one business and there is evidence of some concrete that may need to be repaired. This project is approximately 95% complete and should be closed this spring. Regarding the sanitary sewer project, the contract for work has been awarded to CC Steel who will serve as general contractor for the project and coordinate all underground, lining and asphalt repairs under one contract. Work is scheduled to begin in May and a preconstruction conference was held on April 1, 2025. Regarding concrete repairs, Mr. Klabunde said the quote for this work was accepted at the March 17th meeting

and work should commence soon. Mr. Klabunde reviewed the city capital improvement plan and spoke about the plan being developed as part of the comprehensive plan revision done in 2022. Moore Engineering met with a committee to review and update the capital improvement plan and presented four (4) draft project updates. 1) Roadway improvements along 4th Ave NE and 7th Street NE (near Cenex) to address increased truck traffic and sustainability of the street; 2) Water main looping and valves to properly to provide means to control supply and flows in case of a water break; 3) Water main replacement in east Hazen near the hospital to replace asbestos cement pipe; 4) Water main replacement in areas of the city south of Main Street. Mr. Klabunde said he is not seeking approval of any changes at this time but wanted to bring them to the commission's attention as they will need to be approved, or changed, in the future. As a final item, Mr. Klabunde indicated Moore Engineering is always looking at funding opportunities for various projects and said there is a chance that a sanitary sewer funding bill for \$25 million may be approved this legislative session. REQUEST OF CITIZENS

Street Closure - Hazen Mercantile Grand Re-opening 5/17: Commissioner Wiedrich moved to approve a street closure request of Hazen Mercantile to block a portion of Main Street on May 17th for their Grand Re-opening/Anniversary celebration, second by Commissioner Folkert. Motion unanimously approved.

Street Closure - Mommy and Me Mercantile 4/26: Commissioner Folkerts abstained from action on motion by Commissioner Stern to approve a street closure request of Mommy and Me Mercantile to allow food vendors on 2nd Ave and Main Street for a vendor show on April 26th, second by Commissioner Wiedrich. When asked by Commissioner Wiedrich, it was determined that the street will not be closed so approval is not necessarily required but serves as good notice to the public. Motion unanimously approved.

Water/Sewer/Garbage: Commissioner Stern had nothing to report at this time. Street/Cemetery: PW Director Brousseau advised the commission that staff continue to crack seal city streets and are also working to replace lost/damaged/faded signs around the city. Commissioner Haack spoke of the bid for concrete repairs within the city shop. As of this meeting two (2) proposals were received from Meissner Contracting and Winkler Construction. Commissioner Wiedrich moved to accept the proposal of Winkler Construction, second by Commissioner Folkerts. Upon discussion it was discovered that one proposal was for four-inches of concrete, and one was for six-inches of concrete as there was not a specification provided to the contractors when quotes were requested. On roll call vote: Wiedrich, "Nay", Folkerts, "Nay", Stern, "Nay", Haack, "Nay", motion defeated. Meissner Contracting will be requested to update its proposal based on six inches of concrete.

Finance/Busing/Library: Commissioner Folkerts had nothing to report at this time. Police/Fire/Forestry: Commissioner Wiedrich reported on police department calls for service which show Officer Beyer responded to eight (8) calls for service, Officer Anthony Melberg responded to twenty-five (25) calls for service, Officer Samantha Melberg responded to thirty-eight (38) calls for service and Chief Wolff responded to

HCD: Myra Savelkoul reported to the commission that the HCD annual meeting was held on March 26th and was attended by thirty-eight (38) people. Ms. Savelkoul reported that one new board member, McKInzi Wiedrich, was elected at the annual meeting. HCD is considering funding to assist a CTE project in Hazen and that Heart River CTE will be applying for grants for projects in Hazen and Beulah. Ms. Savelkoul is also working with the ND Department of Commerce Find Good Life Program to attract people to North Dakota. President: President Obenauer absent. No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Funds Transfer: The commission reviewed information as to transfer from the sales tax fund to various project funds to cover pledges previously approved by the commission. Commissioner Wiedrich moved to approve the transfer of \$667,289 from the sales tax fund to various projects to reduce burden on city residents, second by Commissioner Stern. Upon discussion, the amount to be transferred to the 2024 Sewer Project is to establish funding prior to any loan fund requests. On roll call vote: Wiedrich, "Aye", Stern, "Aye", Folkerts, "Aye", Haack, "Aye", motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were received. Vice-President Haack acknowledged Dillon Dronen who attended the meeting in pursuit of a Boy Scout Badge.

Approval of Bills & Financial Statements: Commissioner Wiedrich moved to approve the bills as presented, second by Commissioner Folkerts. Pre-paid and bills approved for payment are as follows: Fuelman Fleet, 1461.09, US Postal Service, 378.61; Cenex, 2701.64; Chamber of Commerce, 24.00; Christy Metz, 16.00; CVB, 4284.73; Cory Beery, 300.00; Dakota Pump & Control, 9191.41; Dakota Supply Group, 189.56; Dale Mulske, 178.00; Donovan & Kaffar PLLP, 1200.00; Ecolab, 139.95; Elan Financial, 937.61; Everspring Suites, 99.00; Evolv Inc, 19.95; HCD, 12881.77; Hazen Mercantile Inc, 2085.00; Hazen Motor Co, 814.54; Hazen Rural Fire Dept, 2508.50; Hazen Star, 547.02; Hazen Welding, 304.00; Health Equity, 3.25; ITD, 33.30; Jim Block, 57.00; Krause's, 75,81; Loren Wiest, 300.00; Lucky's Towing, 350.00; Marco Technologies LLC, 402.18; Mercer Co Treasurer, 5498.55; Millennium Express, 12.00; MDU, 4175.27; ND Dept of Health, 54.00; ND League of Cities, 75.00; NAPA, 27770; NDPOAWC, 50.00; ND One Call Inc, 11.35; Northern Safety Co, 456.41; OK Tire Store, 466.84; Railroad Management CO III LLC, 417.05; Roughrider Electric Coop Inc, 4123.77; SW Water Authority, 26139.11; Stamps.com; 22.49; Stein's Inc, 560.89; Stroup Insurance, 2981.00; Uniform Center, 170.00; Verizon Wireless, 423.37; Vestis, 429.09; West River Telecommunications, 926.56. On roll call vote: Wiedrich, "Aye", Folkerts, "Aye", Stern, "Aye", Haack, motion

Commissioner Haack asked the board, and public, to keep President Obenauer in their thoughts and prayers.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 PM CT. The next regular meeting of the commission is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2025, at 5:30 PM CT in the Commission Room of the Hazen City Hall. Approved: Jerry Obenauer, President

Attest: Monte J. Erhardt, Auditor

(05-01-2025)

INVITATION TO BID PROPANE FUEL

The City of Hazen is accepting sealed bids for the delivery of propane fuel to the City Hall, City Shop (west & south), Library, Parks & Recreation Shop, Lewis & Clark RV Park, Antelope Creek RV Park, and Swimming Pool for the period of June 1, 2025, to May 31, 2026.

The City Commission will accept a bid for the purchase of up to 35,000 gallons of propane. Payment option(s) and any time limit on acceptance should be outlined in the bid and include all applicable taxes. The bid is to include an additional 5,000 gallons of propane to be delivered, and billed, to the Mercer County Regional Airport, Hazen, ND.

Bids must be submitted by 4:00 PM CT on May 31, 2025, to the City Auditor, PO Box 717, Hazen ND 58545-0717 and marked "Propane Bid". The bids will be opened and read at the regular City Commission Meeting at Hazen City Hall on June 2, 2025. The City of Hazen reserves the right to reject any one or all the bids submitted; to waive any irregularity in any bid; and to hold all bids for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the said date of opening of bids. Dated this 28th day of April 2025 Monte J. Erhardt Hazen City Auditor

(05-01-2025)(05-08-2025)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE WITHIN THE MERCER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ZONING DISTRICT

ZONING CASE NO. 25-05-01 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mercer County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Thursday evening, May 15, 2025 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Central Time, at the Beulah Civic Center in Beulah. The Planning Commission will review and consider an application from Carson Moore for approval of a Conditional Use for a Non-Farm Residence within the Agricultural Zone of the Mercer County Zoning District Map. The subject parcel is located approximately 8 miles south of Beulah. The parcel will be located next to a previous existing non-occupied farmstead. The parcel is approximately 2.06 acres in size and is described as

Tract 1 in SE4 located in Section 2 T142N

R88W of the Fifth Principle Meridian, Mer-

cer County, North Dakota. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the public is hereby invited to comment on the proposed conditional use application at this public hearing or forward written comments prior to this hearing to: Mercer County Auditor -PO Box 39 - Stanton, ND 58571. A copy of the application, location map and other documents is available to the public for inspection and copying in the Office of the County Auditor on Monday through Friday during regular office hours

Jen Neumiller Mercer County Land Use Administrator

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SECTION 324 NOTICE

In compliance with federal law, the Mercer County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) gives notice that the Mercer County Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) which includes the Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory (Tier II) Reports have been received and reviewed by the Mercer County LEPC.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Mercer County Emergency Manager's Office within the Mercer County Courthouse at 410 Van Slyck Ave, Stanton, ND between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays. (04-24-2025)(05-01-2025)