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NOTICE

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF ADAMS
SS.
IN DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHWEST JUDICIAL
DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
THOMAS LEE BRAUN,
deceased.
Case No. 01-2025-PR-12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(N.D.C.C 30.1-19-01)

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within 3 months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Irene Braun personal representative of the Estate at PO Box 272, Box Elder, SD 57719, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 4th day of June, 2025

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Adams County
Commission Proceedings

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF
ADAMS COUNTY,
NORTH DAKOTA
MAY 13TH, 2025

The Board of Adams County Commissioners met in regular session with the following present: Dustin Laufer and Steven West

Chairman Dustin Laufer called the meeting to order at 8:00 am

APRIL 8, 2025, MINUTES: Commissioner West moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting as presented, second by Commissioner Laufer; and by unanimous vote. Motion carried.

AGENDA: Commissioner West moved to approve the agenda as amended, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

OFFICE FEES: Fees collected by county officers were paid to the Auditor/Treasurer for Sheriff \$1,256.66, Road and Bridge \$68,877.59 and Recorder \$1,522.30.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: financials were reviewed.

NEXT MEETING DATE: June 10th, 2025, at 8:00 am as the next regular meeting date.

ADAMS COUNTY WEED BOARD PRESIDENT: Kalen Manthai met with the Commission to discuss the setup of the weed board. Mr. Manthai updated the Commission on the changes with the new Weed Officer, Kellie Timm, and responsibilities of the Weed Board. Century Code states that the Weed Officer is required to certify all county gravel pits, this task has been completed. The Weed Board also approved a higher wage for the upcoming season. Ms. Timm will try to have every road in the County completed every three years on a rotation cycle. Discussion was had on different ways Ms. Timm was trying to control different noxious weeds in the several areas, as well as her routine

maintenance. The Commission was happy to hear about the organization within the board and the weed officer and was thankful for the updates.

ADAMS COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER: Frank Fettig met with the Commission to share updates from his Veteran department. Mr. Fettig discussed changes he has seen with the state creating better benefits available for veterans. Different avenues for reaching out to veterans were discussed. Mr. Fettig discussed advertising costs would put him over his budget. Mr. Fettig would like additional compensation while at his two conferences as he has to put in additional hours while in attendance, there is a spring conference and a fall conference every year. Mr. Fettig figures it would be an additional 18 hours extra every year. This could be discussed next month when the full board is available for discussion. Commissioner West moved to allow Mr. Fettig the ability to go over his budget to market VA benefits in the local paper, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

ADAMS COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGER: Michele Gaylord moved to allow Mr. Fettig the ability to go over his budget to market VA benefits in the local paper, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

Ms. Gaylord discussed an upcoming conference in September, she is not requesting extra pay for this, as she will practice comp hours. Ms. Gaylord discussed the upcoming burn forum, she is working with Aspen Lanning, Adams County Extension Agent. Ms. Gaylord discussed a legal advertisement that is required to be posted and will cause her advertising budget to go over budget. Ms. Gaylord discussed other upcoming training being planned. Ms. Gaylord discussed an invoice for 911 services which should be paid from the 911 services budget, the invoice is in the amount of \$700. Sheriff Fisher believes the invoice should be paid from Michele's Emergency Management budget, as the sheriff's office does not use the service. Commissioner West discussed the contract which may need to have a higher percentage paid by the fire department, as they utilize the service more than any other department. Sheriff Fisher was available and had no problem with using the 911 services budget. The IPAWS reverse 911 contract was discussed between Ms. Gaylord and Sheriff Fisher.

ADAMS COUNTY SHERIFF: Jordan Fisher met with the Commission for updates on his department. Discussion was had on 911 addressing and if the county should look into getting updated to reflect the other counties in North Dakota, as Adams County is the only county that is not addressed correctly. The project would be costly, but the State may help financially. For the public safety standpoint, Sheriff Fisher would like to see this project get underway to help eliminate address conflicts. Ms. Gaylord will try and be in contact with the State to see if they would have any available funding for this type of project, hoping to get some answers by budget time. Sheriff Fisher will also be in contact with other county 911 coordinators. Discussion was had on noise ordinance issues, especially in the city of Hettinger. The City of Hettinger voted against this not too long ago. The Commission thought maybe the city would think about an evening change. The transmission blew up in the 2016 Explorer, there was a 2017 recall that was never completed, which could likely be the cause of the failure. Mr. Fisher reached out for repair quotes, and the transmission repair would be at least \$10k. The vehicle is older and planned to update with his 2026 budget. The department is now down a vehicle, and the vehicle sharing does not work well,

at shift change. Sheriff Fisher would like to purchase another Durango from Kansas Highway Patrol for about \$40k. The cost to outfit a new vehicle is about \$4,500. Discussion was had on the budget items within his budget that could help with the cost, he does have funds in the police equipment line but would not cover the full amount. Sheriff Fisher will do some research on options from Red Rock or Bowman Sales to try locally with the ability to get something sooner. Sheriff Fisher came back with the Commission to discuss items he researched. Bowman Sales and Service did not have anything he thought would work. Charbonneau, Red Rock, and Eido Ford had a couple options available. Sheriff Fisher discussed the narcotic task force line items and building and maintenance line items could be used as well as the police equipment line item, roughly about \$18k as well as the sale of assets (vehicle sales from last month.) Commissioner Laufer questioned what vehicle Sheriff Fisher was leaning toward. Sheriff Fisher shared his interest in the 2024 Durango from Red Rock \$37,879 with 24k miles. Sheriff Fisher may also try and contact the Jaycees to see if they have any available funding to donate as well. Commissioner West moved to approve authorizing Sheriff Fisher the purchase of a new vehicle per his recommendation and review up to a purchase price of \$40k, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

ADAMS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION/CHAMBER: met the Commission quickly to introduce the new office coordinator, Carrie Jahner. A couple of brief updates were discussed from ACDC.

ADAMS COUNTY ROAD SUPERINTENDENT: Justin Blade met with the Commission to discuss his department. Mr. Blade discussed that 95% of the county roads are completed and will start with the township roads. The crew will also start graveling with the dry conditions. Mr. Blade will reach out to Fischbein Township for maintenance on the shared road. The plan will be to start on the west side of the county and work toward the East and will work with the Organized Twp requests and needs in the Unorganized as well. Mr. Blade discussed his organization for each employee, so the whole crew knows what they are responsible for. Discussion was had on the confrontation one of the crew had with someone from the public, gravel was thrown at her vehicle. The citizen was unhappy as she explained the employee was rude to her. The Commission has worked with the department and the citizen on the conflict. RDO access for the JD Link has been sent to each Commissioner, so the Commission will now have the ability to review their vehicle and equipment. Mr. Blade explained the work expectation is 5-7 miles a day depending on the condition and how particular each one is. The young crew is still working hard at obtaining their CDL's. Discussion was had on Free dump day and if the county was going to do this again this year. The city was not really looking into doing so, as the City of Hettinger had discussed the high costs of running the free grass clipping and branch disposal site.

BROSZ ENGINEERING: Billy Doerr met with the Commission to discuss the upcoming projects. A payment reimbursement in the amount of 57% of the project for the Black and Blue Road will come from the Flexible Transportation funding. A special preconstruction meeting will likely be needed within the next month. Discussion was had on the hopes they would start on Black and Blue Road in June with the Country Club Road af-

ter, to help with Country Club access. The access road to the golf course will be more likely be the road in Hettinger Township or the Mollman Road. Mr. Blade will look into the condition of the cut across road. The preconstruction meeting will be planned once the information is gathered. The Country Club Road project was approved for SRF (special road fund) in the amount of \$300k, the letter was sent to accept the award. Design Engineering costs in the amount of \$18,121.69 were put into a cost reimbursement from the state for Black and Blue Road engineering. Commissioner West moved to approve the reimbursement request to the State, second by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Mr. Doerr will submit the required documents. Discussion was had on Federal funding available and what they can be used for. Hettinger City had bid the Airport Road and awarded the project to Astech Corporation, the county will be financially responsible for the county portion of the road. Tom Rusch has been in contact with Brosz Engineering wanting the bridge to remain intact and not removed, as planned in the grant award with the Schmaltz Bridge replacement project. The bridge would need to remain on the State inspection list and the county would be financially responsible for the maintenance and inspection fees. The original motion was to remove the bridge, but the county could also discuss the option for the landowner to purchase the bridge from the county and the State's Attorney could work on closing the section line. The Commission discussed not wanting to jeopardize the current grant with NDDOT as the grant is 100% paid by the State. The Commission was also not in favor of closing section lines unless an absolute necessity. The Commission would like to proceed as originally approved. Commissioner Laufer will contact Mr. Rusch to have the discussion.

CITIZEN COMMENT POLICY: Discussion was on Senate bill 2180 for public comment section during a public meeting, which has been signed by the Governor. Discussion was had on options of when to allow the public comment section. A policy was drafted by State's Attorney, Aaron Roseland, who was present for the conversation. Discussion was had on reasons why a policy should be put in place. Commissioner West moved to approve the adopting of the new policy for Adams County Commission meetings as follows:

Citizen Comment Guideline and Policy AndPublic Meeting Decorum Guideline and Policy

1.Citizen Comments

1.1General public comment and participation, apart from public hearing or comments requested on specific agenda items, will be scheduled for regular County Commission meetings and only during the portions of the meeting designated as "Public Comments – Not on the Agenda" on the County Commission Agenda. Public comment and participation will not be scheduled or permitted during special County Commission Meetings, except for public hearings or comments that are requested on specific agenda items during such meetings.

1.2Each speaker will be limited to five minutes, and the time from one speaker cannot be used by another speaker. The presiding officer may extend a speaker's time should the presiding officer, in his/her discretion, determine that further discussion is warranted and appropriate.

1.3Comments during the "Public Comments – Not on the Agenda" portion of the meeting are limited solely to items that pertain to matters that are within the scope of municipality business. If the speaker refuses to

leave the podium, this will be considered disruptive behavior.

1.4Individuals who wish to speak during the "Public Comments – Not on the Agenda" portion of the agenda must state their name, address, and the subject to be addressed. Individuals who wish to speak shall be required to sign in prior to the meeting and provide their name and address on a County approved sign-up sheet.

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1.6Presentations and videos will not be allowed during the "Public Comments – Not on the Agenda" portion of the meeting.

2.Public decorum

2.1 The following public decorum rules and guidelines shall apply to all attending or participating in meetings of the County Commission and other County committees (including planning and zoning committee meetings), and violation of these public decorum rules and guidelines will be considered disruptive conduct, adverse to the legitimate government interest of conducting orderly, efficient, effective, and dignified public meetings:

An individual during the "Public Comments – Not on Agenda" that refuses to leave the podium after being requested to do so because the individual's five-minute time allotment has ended.

(A)Outbursts, shouting, clapping, booing, hissing, interruptions, loud noises, and comments during presentation of any agenda item, discussion by the members of the public body that are meeting.

(B)Behavior or conduct that disturbs, disrupts, impedes or interrupts presenters of an agenda item, discussion by the members of the public body or the orderly conduct of the meeting.

(C)Behavior or conduct that creates, provokes or causes disturbances involving unwelcome physical contact or verbal abuse.

(D)Behavior that is defamatory, abusive, harassing or unlawful.

2.2 If, in the opinion of the presiding officer of the meeting, that any of the above behavior or conduct has occurred or other conduct or behavior that disrupts or impedes the orderly and efficient conduct of the meeting has occurred, the presiding officer may provide a warning indicating the individual's conduct is considered by the presiding officer to be disruptive conduct and further disruptive conduct by any individual in attendance at the meeting may result in the meeting being recessed until order is restored in the Commission Chambers.

2.3 If, in the opinion of the presiding officer, the disruptive conduct is so severe, the presiding officer may request the sergeant at arms or police officer in attendance to immediately remove the individual from the meeting.

Adopted and Effective May 13, 2025

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Laufer, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

BUDGET PLANNING AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATES: State's Attorney, Aaron Roseland, questioned if the Commission had any interest in having the 3% cap on the ballot. Several items within Adams County have been planned for the future, but the 3% cap on budgets will deter the completion for most projects. Election funding was not thought about during the session as the 3% cap on the 2025 budget did not include election funding as it was a non-election year.

.GAMING SITE AUTHORIZATION: Commissioner Laufer moved to approve the gaming site authorization from the Het-