

# Public Notices

## Planning Commission Meeting Notice

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Please take notice that a Public Hearing will be held by the Wells County Planning Commission on the 21st day of April, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the KTL Building in Fessenden ND, for the purpose of discussing proposed changes to the current zoning ordinances in chapters 3, 9, and 12 as well as discuss the potential need for a data center ordinance. The Wells County Planning Commission consists of Stan Buxa, Danny Maxwell, Daniel Stutlien, Chad Ziegler, Faye Schimelfeng, Robert Martin, Warren Strand, Jon Polries, and Connie Kunz.

The intended changes are as follow:  
3.7 Road and Highway Setbacks

All buildings and structures shall be placed at least 200 feet from County and State highway right-of-ways, and at least 200 feet from the County road right-of-ways, and at least 133 feet from the center of any township road for the purpose of preventing hazardous accumulations of snow and to allow for future widening of public right-of-ways. Tree plantings and shelterbelts shall be planted in accordance with the USDA-NRCS-North Dakota Field Office Technical Guide recommendations.

9 PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE	
Application for building permit for additional square footage added to taxable property only:	
Value of additional square footage:	Fee
\$5,001 - \$20,000	\$20
over \$20,000	\$25 + \$1 for each additional \$1,000 in valuation
Application for conditional use permit	
	\$50 .10% of the cost of the project with a minimum \$500 fee and a maximum \$2000 fee
Application for zoning amendment	
	\$50
Application for variance	
	\$50

**12.1.5.1** Each wind turbine shall be set back from the nearest occupied dwelling, commercial building or publicly-used structure or facility at a distance not less than 1+25-times its total height or 4,250 feet, whichever is greater 5,280 feet (1 mile) with an option for a variance.

All parties and concerned citizens are invited to said hearing at which time they shall have the opportunity to be heard. Please take further notice that the proposed changes as well as the original Zoning Ordinances of Wells County, ND shall be available for inspection and copying at the Wells County Tax Director's Office, 700 Railway ST N Fessenden, ND, on Monday through Friday of each week between the hours of 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Township officials also have copies of said changes, and all proposed documents can be viewed on the home page of www.wellscountynd.com.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2025.  
Jana Mogren, Secretary  
Publication Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 2025

## Meeting Notice

Wells County District Health Unit  
Board of Health Meeting  
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 beginning at 12 Noon  
Conference room Harvey Office  
1008 Adams Ave Harvey  
Publication Date: April 19, 2025

## Bowdon City Council Minutes

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOWDON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**February 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm**

Mayor Widicker called the meeting to order. Alderman Morrow, Alderman Martin, and Alderman Hoff were present. Lindsay Widicker, Anne West, Tim Scheer, and Darliss Huss were also present. The January and February financials were reviewed. Alderman Martin motioned to approve the minutes and financials, which Alderman Morrow seconded. The minutes and financials were approved.

**Old Business**

The auditor will work with the city attorney to modify the building permit ordinance and develop a form to accompany the application for a permit. This will be presented at a future meeting to be read and voted upon.

Dahn Haning signed an agreement with the city to demolish the house located on Park Ave this spring.

Alderman Morrow gave an update on completing the pump house upgrade with newer pumps to provide pressure. One of the pressure pumps broke, and the pumps were past their life cycle and needed to be replaced.

**New Business**

The equalization meeting with Bev Hart will be held on April 8 at 8:30 pm.

A letter will be sent to houses with abandoned vehicles parked at the sheriff's office. Mayor Widicker will talk to Tom S. about possible solutions to drain water away from the South end of Park Ave.

The community center's upkeep was discussed. The shrubs on the south side of the building will be pulled out, and the gutters and downspouts need to be cleaned out.

Alderman Martin suggested that we should seal the cracks in the street.

There was a motion to adjourn and a second. The meeting was adjourned.

Publication Date: April 19, 2025

## Call for Bids

**CALL FOR BIDS**

Cathay Township is accepting written bids for the delivery of 2,000 yds of crushed gravel, more or less, to be delivered to various locations in Cathay Township. Gravel must meet the approval of the board. Bids must be received by May 17, 2025. Send bids to Cathay Township at 943 50th Ave NE, Cathay, ND, 58422. The township reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of Cathay Township Board  
Thomas M. Wachtel, Clerk  
Publication Dates: April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2025

## Fessenden-Bowdon School Board Meeting Minutes

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FESSENDEN-BOWDON SCHOOL BOARD Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 11, 2025 - 7:00 AM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Miranda Kittelson, Erin Hagemeister, Mychal Neumiller, Hans Widicker

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Monica Larson

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Supt. Stacy Benz, Principal Aaron Loff, Business Manager Michelle Johnson, Mark Huber - Teacher, Amber Fortney, Mackenzie Dietz

Vice President Miranda Kittelson called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The agenda was reviewed and amended. Motion by Hagemeister, second by Widicker, to approve the minutes for the regular meeting February 11th and special meeting March 3rd as presented. Motion by Widicker, second by Neumiller, to approve financial reports as presented. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried. Motion by Hagemeister, second by Widicker, to approve the district bills as presented. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried.

The superintendent report was given. The principal's report was given. The assistant activities director's report was given.

Superintendent evaluation was reviewed and completed. All areas were given satisfactory marks. Motion by Hagemeister, second by Neumiller, to approve the Superintendent Evaluation as presented. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Bids were discussed for IT contracting services. Bids received: ABM Technology Group - \$3,642 per month by month contract, ByteSpeed - \$3,225 per month one year contract, and Marco Technologies - \$3,980 per month one year contract. Motion by Neumiller, second by Widicker, to accept the proposal from ABM Technology Group for the district's IT Services for \$3,642 per month on a month by month basis. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Presentation on the Art program by Amber Fortney, Art Teacher was given. (Fortney left the meeting.)

Discussed the 2025-2026 School Calendar. Motion by Neumiller, second by Widicker, to approve the 2025-2026 School Calendar. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting was set for Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 7:00 AM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 AM.

Miranda Kittelson, Vice President  
Michelle Johnson, Business Manager

**District Expenditures**  
**Presented on March 11, 2025**  
Scholastic Inc \$650.03; ND Bureau of

Criminal Investigation \$80.00; North Dakota Telephone Company \$289.56; Scholastic Inc \$31.09; Hart Counseling Services \$1,100.00; Herald-Press \$367.29; Loff, Jayme \$39.97; ACT-American College Testing Progr \$121.50; Affordable Floor Covers \$2,760.00; City of Fessenden \$946.87; Cole Papers Inc \$834.52; Core Facility Solutions \$5,340.94; Dacotah Paper Company \$647.73; Dakota Dust-Tex \$423.00; Ecolab Pest Elimination Division \$172.12; Fessenden-Bowdon School District \$40.32; Herald-Press \$101.97; High Point Networks \$863.69; iState Truck Center \$561.42; Kreiter Autoworks Inc \$648.02; Library World Inc \$525.00; Marco Technologies LLC \$4,252.79; Martin, Thomas \$315.00; Menards-Minot \$55.95; Menards - Jamestown \$223.96; Mid-Dakota Lumber \$2,468.14; ND Center for Distance Education \$1,487.00; ND Council of Educational Leaders \$400.00; North Dakota Telephone Company \$289.56; Northeast Education Services Coop \$4,500.00; T J Plumbing-T Olschlager \$991.00; Time Management Systems \$193.48; Tracy's Market \$147.34; Trio Environmental Consulting Inc \$585.00; Weigelt, Beau - BW Electric \$187.50; Ottertail Power Company \$10,498.89; First International Bank & Trust \$52.10; Magic-Wrighter Inc \$79.13. TOTAL: \$43,271.88.

Payroll for March 2025: Payroll Items \$1,987.80; Payroll Direct Deposit \$110,198.41; Automatic Payment \$53,332.85; Plus Federal Withholding \$27,483.42. TOTAL: \$193,002.48. Publication Date: April 19, 2025

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FESSENDEN-BOWDON SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 12, 2025 - 8:30 AM Superintendent Office**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Monica Larson, Miranda Kittelson, Erin Hagemeister, Mychal Neumiller, Hans Widicker

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Supt. Stacy Benz, Business Manager Michelle Johnson

President Monica Larson called the meeting to order. Letter of resignation was received from Stacy Benz, Superintendent. Motion by Kittelson, seconded by Neumiller, to accept the resignation letter from Stacy Benz, Superintendent. Roll call vote. All voting yes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 AM.

Monica Larson, President  
Michelle Johnson, Business Manager

**PUBLICATION DATE: APRIL 19, 2025**

## Wells County Commissioners Meeting Minutes

project to reduce costs. The consensus of the Commission was to table this project due to cost. Lastly, there are eight bridges in WC that need to be evaluated for bridge scour and a POA (Plan of Action) will need to be submitted to NDDOT as soon as possible.

WC Road Foreman, Brent Keller, met with the Commission to discuss matters of his Dept. Keller discussed with the Commission information on personnel, equipment, upcoming projects, and county road priorities. SB (M), DM (S) offer \$19/hr. to Hulis Burton to provide groundskeeping services at the WC Fairgrounds. Unanimously carried.

Bryan Tykwinski, KLJ Engineering, met with the Commission to share final documents from the WC Highway #5 project completed last fall. The project was completed for app. \$100,000 under bid. BM (M), DM (S) to approve final documentation. Unanimously carried. Tykwinski noted the bridge project south of Harvey, while construction is completed, is still in the final approval process. Lastly, Tykwinski shared information on a Flex Funding proposal that is currently in the legislature.

Aaron Opdahl of Opdahl Enterprises approached the Commission on asphalt crack sealing capabilities they now have. Opdahl Enterprises now serves multiple surrounding counties with this service and is in the preliminary phase of proposing the provision of these services to WC. The Commission will take the proposal under consideration in the future.

The Commission considered two appointments to the WC Planning & Zoning Committee. BL (M), DM (S) to appoint Warren Strand (City of Fessenden) and Chad Ziegler (Dist. 3). Unanimously carried.

The Commission reshaped Bilodeau Township's request for a cost-share with the County to replace a bridge on 56th Ave. BL (M), BM (S) to fund the pipe for the project as was under consideration for several years. Unanimously carried.

WC Auditor, Daniel Stutlien, stated his office is in the beginning phases of budgeting for 2026 and performing inventory of WC property. The Commission began discussing budgeting priorities and direction. The Commission would like to continue working on matters of equity amongst the WC employee group.

A couple of capital improvements on the Courthouse that have been discussed in prior months are the replacement of the courthouse elevator and the replacement of the courthouse roof. bid from TK Elevator (\$72,582.83) and from Teves Construction (\$92,886.13) for the roof have been received. DM (M), BL (S) to approve the elevator project. Motion failed.

BL (M), BL (S) to approve the elevator project for December 2025 to apply for applicable grants. Motion carried. SB (M), DM (S) to approve the roofing project from Teves Construction. Unanimously carried.

WC Auditor, Daniel Stutlien, informed the Commission SAAF (Safe Alternatives for Abused Families) in Devils Lake has closed its doors. As such, we will be seeking a new location to target future court funds along with SAVIN (Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification). The Clerk of Court will be visiting with both the Judge and States Attorney to seek recommendations for you in either May or June.

A Gaming Permit was requested from the Bremen Bar for the Aggie Foundation. SB (M), BM (S) to approve the permit. Unanimously carried.

Paul Anderson, Chris Billings, and Kelly Muscha of Wells Township met with the Commission to request a written contract for paid blading. Commissioner Buxa suggested verbiage alterations in an area of the contract and issuing it to all 36 townships in WC. SB (M), DM (S) to approve the contractual language contingent on the approval of the WC States Attorney. Unanimously carried.

Janelle Pepple sat with the Commission to discuss window and door replacements at the Festival Hall. It is the consensus of the Commission to take a look at getting estimates. Pepple also requested the Commission provide a single, annual "free rental" to the Fessenden Country Club as they hold the Beer & Liquor License for Festival Hall. SB (M), BM (S) to approve the request. Unanimously carried.

Jason Mayfield, Wold Engineering, spoke with the Commission about the upcoming Hamburg Slough project. The county had been planning on a project in the \$1,000,000 range, but Mayfield presented an estimate of \$2,176,428.20, not including engineering fees. Mayfield presented multiple alterations to the

## Planning Commission

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Please take notice that a Public Hearing will be held by the Wells County Planning Commission on the 25th day of April 2025, at 7:00 pm in the KTL Meeting Room at Fessenden, ND, for the purpose of discussing a proposal to directionally bore a new power line across/under County Road 52 and then plow a new cable as close to the southern edge of the county road row west to an old yard where an individual has requested service. Wells County, ND. The Wells County Planning Commission consists of Connie Kunz, Jon Polries, Faye Schimelfeng, Daniel Stutlien, Boone Maxwell, Stan Buxa, Robert Martin, Warren Strand, and Chad Ziegler.

This hearing will be held concerning the boring and plowing of a new cable that Verendrye Electric has filed a Conditional Use Permit with Wells County and the Planning Commission will go over different aspects of the proposed land maps and application.

All parties and concerned citizens are invited to said hearing at which time they shall have the opportunity to be heard

Dated this 9th day of April 2025.  
Jana Mogren, Zoning Administrator  
Publication Dates: April 12 and 19, 2025

## Public Notice

**Public Notice**  
**City of Harvey CDBG Project**

A second public hearing will be held at 3:00 PM on May 14, 2025, at the Harvey City Hall, 120 8th St, Harvey, ND.

The purpose of the meeting:

- 1) To discuss the use of CDBG funds by the City of Harvey for the Water Control Panels Update Project #5159-CD2122-PF.
- 2) To inform the public about the North Dakota Community Development Block Grant and to gain public input into the program.
- 3) To gather comments about the project. Comments will be accepted until May 14, 2025, at the City of Harvey, 120 8th St, Harvey, ND 58341.

Individuals including non-English speaking individuals who require accommodations, including appropriated auxiliary aids, translated documents or interpreters to participate in the public hearing, should contact Karen Nordby at 120 8th St, Harvey, ND, (701) 324-2000, karen@haveyrynd.com or by calling TTY: 800-366-6888, Spanish TTY: 800-435-8590 or Relay ND Voice: 800-366-6889; so appropriate aids can be made available.

Publication Dates: April 19, 26, 2025

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The City of Harvey is accepting bids for the Renovation of the South Side of the Armory including old Police Department and Kiwanis Room interior and exterior. Contractors must be licensed and bonded. For more plans, specs and questions contact Public Works Director Jamey Weinmann at 701-324-2000 or email Publicworks@harveynd.com.

Please submit a bid to the City Auditor, 120 West 8th Street Harvey, ND 58341 by 12 pm May 14th, 2025. The bids will be opened at the city council meeting on May 14th at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. The City of Harvey has the right to refuse or reject any or all bids.

Publication Dates: April 19 and 26, 2025

\$46.89. TOTAL: \$459.87.

Social Services: Wells County Treasurer, Client Support \$54.00; Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden, Fuel/Foster Care \$64.82; Wells County Treasurer, Fuel/Foster Care \$118.83; CenDak Cooperative-New Rockford, Fuel/ Foster Care \$43.71; Wells County Treasurer, Meals/Foster Care \$45.22; Alicia Lamm, Meals/ Foster Care \$67.20; Wells County Treasurer, Dues/Reg Fees/Child Protect. Serv. \$126.56; Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden, Fuel/Child Protect. Serv. \$82.01; Wells County Treasurer, Fuel/Child Protect. Serv. \$247.36; Besette Motors, Inc., Vehicles \$584.62; Kim Goettle, Parent Aid Health Ins. \$250.00; Wells County Treasurer, Dues/Registration Fees \$300.00; Wells County Treasurer, Family Social Worker/ Fuel \$39.66; CenDak Cooperative-New Rockford, Family Social Worker/Fuel \$55.94; Wells County Treasurer, Vehicles \$15.00; Kreiter Autoworks, Inc., Vehicles \$381.98; Wells County Treasurer, Meals/Foster Care \$7.26; Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden, In Home Care/Fuel \$203.10; CenDak Cooperative-New Rockford, In Home Care/Fuel \$31.47; Carrington Motor, Vehicles \$572.82; Alison Nybo, Admin Support-Health Ins. \$250.00; Transcript Publishing, Zone Admin Support/Advert. \$251.28; Herald Press, Zone Admin Support/Advert. \$167.52; Wells County Treasurer, Contracted Services \$100.00; Leaf, Contracted Services \$312.00; 4th Corporation, Contracted Services \$140.00; Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services L, Contracted Services \$81.90; Advanced Business Methods, Contracted Services \$126.21; Dakota Central, Telephone \$171.49; NDDTC, Telephone \$605.27; Wells County Treasurer, Telephone \$540.48; Central City H2O+, Zone Admin Support/Misc \$52.50; ITD, Zone Admin Support/IT Other \$95.81; NDAOCO Resources Group, Zone Admin Support/IT Other \$1,020.00; Wells County Treasurer, Zone Admin Support/Office Materials \$6.50; ND Human Service Zone Directors Assn., Subscriptions & Memberships \$500.00. TOTAL: \$81,149.

Weed Control: Danny Maxwell, Salary - Board Meeting \$161.80; Kyle Allstad, Salary - Board Meeting \$162.17; Dale Schmitz, Salary - Board Meeting \$445.13; Kelly Muscha, Salary - Board Meeting \$216.10; Donna Rau, Salary - Employee \$220.87; Herald Press, Advertising \$168.00; Western Township, Nioxious Weed/Leafy Spurge/Cost Sharing \$500.00; Hawkstest Township, Nioxious Weed/Leafy Spurge/Cost Sharing \$500.00; Kelly Muscha, Bug Nets \$321.84; US Treasury, WC/Withholding \$462.85. TOTAL: \$3,158.76.

Hwy Tax: K & S Builders, LLC, Building Upkeep \$720.80; Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden, Fuel \$9,528.67; Kotaco Fuel & Propane, Fuel \$5,251.53; Patzer Truck Repair, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$284.90; Gooseneck Implement, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$1,290.18; Swanston Equipment, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$3,561.02; High Plains Equipment, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$2,940.23; Lault's Auto Body & Towing, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$327.56; Power Plan, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$8,772.38; Rick's Wholesale Tire, Inc., Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$230.00; NAPA-Harvey, Machinery Repairs & Supplies \$1,459.83; Drive Chevrolet Harvey, Pickup Repair \$6,571.28; Wells County Treasurer, Supplies \$892.51; Lerner's ACE & Rental, Supplies \$208.30; Menards-Minot, Supplies \$93.66; Linde Gas & Equipment, Supplies \$140.79; Saber Shred Solutions, Inc., Supplies \$40.99; NDDTC, Telephone \$145.26; Wells County Treasurer, Travel/Mileage \$145.06; Doug Mertz, Travel/Mileage \$36.40; Cathay City, Utilities \$95.00; Verendrye Electric, Utilities \$373.56; Wells County Treasurer, Utilities \$586.41; Northern Plains Electric, Utilities \$494.84; Harvey City, Utilities \$64.20; Fessenden City, Utilities \$152.52; Central Plains Water, Utilities \$181.12; Double M Sanitation, Utilities \$175.00; Sykeston City, Utilities \$49.00; Otter Tail, Utilities \$636.32; Central Dakota Family Physicians, Misc. \$140.00; Schimelfeng Construction, Road Work \$1,140.00. TOTAL: \$46,728.72.

24-7 Wells County Treasurer, Pharm Chem \$31.95; Office Of Attorney General, Scharn Fees \$155.00. TOTAL: \$186.95.

Total April 2025 Expenditures: \$93,105.02. Attest: Daniel W. Stutlien, Wells County Auditor

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