# Crosby City Council Minutes

UNAPPROVED **CROSBY CITY COUNCIL MEETING** May 5, 2025

7:00 p.m. Members Present:

Mayor: James Jacobs Council Members: Jerry King, Scott Sova, Marzell Trussell, Doug Anderson & Don Wolf

Members Absent: Council Member: Brian Lund

Others Present:

Alexa Kruger, Christine Keller, Paul Sannes, Zachary Schroeder, Josh Feil, Sadik Arslanovik, Andrea Nygaard, Lynn Nygaard, Malinda Miller, Greg Miller, Ashley Oltman, Allie Kulstad, Tabitha Frazier, Thad Frazier, James Stacey, Jade Stacey, Joseph Minwegen and Mary Minwegen.

Brad Nygaard (Via Teams Link) Mayor James Jacobs called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## Review/Approve Agenda:

Council Member Sova approved the meeting agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council

Member King and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### Review/Approve Tax Equalization Meeting Minutes:

Council Member Trussell made a motion to approve the tax equalization meeting minutes as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### Review/Approve Minutes of Last Regular Meeting:

Council Member Sova made a motion to approve last month's meeting minutes as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### Review/Approve Special Meeting Minutes from April 28th, 2025:

Council Member King made a motion to approve the special meeting minutes from April 28th, 2025 as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### **Financial Statement:**

Council Member Trussell made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

# Motion to Accept Pledged As-

Council Member King made a motion to approve pledged assets as

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### **Citizen Comments:**

**Carol Williams:** Not Present **Sheriff's Department:** 

a. Sheriff Zachary Schroeder was available to present last month's stats.

b. Council Member Anderson made a motion for the City Attorney to draft a letter to be sent to Dollar General to get their property cleaned up and put up fencing with a top to catch their garbage carts.

c. Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

### **Moore Engineering:**

a. By Council consensus Josh Feil will send the City Attorney Jordan a Master Service Agreement to review and will be brought to Council at the June meeting.

## <u>JDA</u>:

a. Quarterly Bill

a. Council Member King made a motion to table the JDA Quarterly bill until the June 2025 Council meeting.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

**Park Board:** Not present. Public Works: Paul Sannes was

present to update Council on current projects and repairs.

b. By Council consensus the Public Works portfolio and Employee portfolio plan to get together to meet and discuss wages.

**City Attorney**: Seymour Jordan was present.

## **Old Business:**

1. Nuisance Properties

ney Jordan will send the nuisance property owners letters to get their lots cleaned up by the next Council meeting. Hearing for these nuisance properties will be held on June 2nd, 2025 at the regular City Council

2. 2nd Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 350

a. Council Member King made a motion approving the 2nd reading, adoption and publication of Ordinance 350 as presented.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

3. Southridge Acres Road Name Update

a. Council Member Sova made a motion to change S Frontage Road to just Frontage Road out at Southridge

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

4. County Shop Road Petition

a. No comments and concerns were brought forth at the hearing.

b. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the vacation of 8th street NW south of 1st Avenue NW and 7th street NW south of 1st Avenue NW.

c. Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

5. Wallin Manor Windows

a. Council Member King made a motion to table the Wallin Manor windows until the June 2nd, 2025 City Council Meeting.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

6. BEK Update

a. Tabled until the June 2025 Council meeting.

7. City Banners

a. Council Member Sova made a motion allowing the City Auditors to purchase bracket samples from the three companies that provided

b. Motion seconded by Council Member King and carried by the fola. By Council consensus Attor- lowing votes. Ayes: Council Member

Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

8. Landfill-Contaminated Soil a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to send a letter to

Lund Construction letting them know they have 10 days to remove the contaminated soil from the Crosby Municipal Landfill and if it is not removed in the 10 days the city will hire a subcontractor and all cost associated will be billed to Lund Construction.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf and a roll call vote was called. Council Member Anderson-Aye, Wolf-Aye, King-Nay, Sova-Aye and Trussell-Aye. Motion carries.

c. By Council consensus Attorney Jordan will reach out to Brandon Peterson to inquire about purchasing land to better slope the concrete so it can be covered and will bring an update to the June Council Meeting.

d. By Council consensus Mayor Jacobs will reach out to companies to see what it would cost to crush the current concrete and will bring information to the June Council Meeting.

e. Mayor Frazier of Ambrose asked the Council about possibly allowing trees to be burned in the Crosby inert landfill for a price per truck load. Council asked her to reach out to Tailer Made Solutions to make sure none of the cut down trees have Dutch Elm disease. This will be tabled until the June City Council Meeting.

9. Public Works Hire

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to hire Austin Coates for the open public works position starting right away with his wage being discussed by the employee

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

## **New Business:**

1. Chickens in City Limits a. After much discussion this will

be tabled until the June 2025 City Council meeting.

2. Motion to Accept Mowing Bid a. Council Member Trussell made a motion to accept the mowing bid from Wayne Vigness with his rates as presented.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and

Sova. Nays: none. 3. Sadik Arslanovic-Service Line Repair Bill

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to reduce Mr. Arslanovic's service line repair bill to

b. Council Member Anderson rescinded his motion.

c. Council Member Sova made a motion to reduce Mr. Arslanovic's service line repair bill to \$4,000.

d. Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

4. Ferguson, Hagen, Bublitz and Borderline Auto Club Event Permit and Liquor License Transfers

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the special event permits and liquor license transfers presented by Ferguson, Hagen, Bublitz and the Borderline Auto Club as presented.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

c. Council Member Trussell made a motion to renew the Vestis service agreement as presented.

d. Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Lund, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

#### **Building Permits:**

1. Larrett Peterson-Cement Slab a. Council Member King made a motion to approve the building for Larrett Peterson for a cement slab as presented.

b. Motion seconded by Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none. 2. Brian & Connie Lund-Fence

a. Council Member King made a motion to approve the building permit for Brian and Connie Lund for a

fence as presented. b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none.

### **Bills as presented:**

Council member Wolf made a motion to approve bills as presented with the exclusion of the bill from Kemper Construction.

Motion seconded by Council

Member Anderson and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none. Advanced Business Methods. 87.93

AE2S......3,909.81 ......533.25 ......3,376.56 Powersports & Cycle ...... 5,000.00 B's Crack Sealing...... 40,275.00 Brady Martz ...... 1,000.00 Colonial Research ...... 4,317.82 ......6,900.00 ......515.20 Dakota Supply Group ......... 619.54 ......511.94 Divide Burke Title LLC .... 3,039.00 Divide County Auditor.... 20,833.33 First District Health Unit ..... 120.00 ......60.00 ......60.00 Hardware Hank ...... 117.88 Jerry's Transfer Service.........24.00 Jordan Law Office, PLLC . 1,500.00 Kemper Construction Co. . 1,605.00 NAPA Auto Parts ...... 105.85 One Call Concepts ......9.85 Share Corporation ............ 1,549.30 T&T Transport ...... 100.00 The Journal......625.50 Throntveit Cleaning ...... 280.00 USA Blue Book......652.90 

Visa ...... 30.03 TOTAL:....\$173,548.63 With no other business

Council member King made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Council Mem-

ber Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, King, Trussell, Anderson and Sova. Nays: none. Meeting was adjourned at 9:32

These minutes are unofficial and are subject review/revision by the City of Crosby City Council

Alexa Kruger City Auditor James Jacobs Mayor

# Divide County Commission Minutes

**April 24, 2025** The Board of Divide County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, April 24, 2025, with all members present, Chairman Jacobs oresiding. Jordan Rusche, Journalist,

were also in attendance. Minutes from April 3, 2025, meeting was read and approved with

Correspondence was reviewed and

placed on file. Carol Williams, Tax Director, presented the following abatements: Mitchell James abatement Noonan City Anderson Addn L04 & N1/2L05 Blk 4 \$2,556 to \$1,350 or \$631.36 to \$297.90 was denied by Noonan City but that they had adjusted the true and full value from \$2,556 to \$2,250 or \$631.36 to \$555.77. Karen Verlinde was also in attendance and mentioned that she was here representing her son. Ms. Verlinde mentioned that she formerly worked in assessing/ appraisal in Colorado and that things were reappraised every 2 years based on market value and sales. Ms. Williams mentioned that they bought this home for \$30,000.00, and that the county values are based on market value and sales. That she has to use 30 sales over 2 years and those sales are 2-3 years behind the values. Ms. Williams mentioned that she did lower several homes from normal to fair and that this was one of them. She also mentioned that we don't value the property for what it sells for because sometimes they sell low and sometimes, they sell high, Commissioner

Eriksmoen mentioned that we have to respect Noonan City commission recommendation. Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to agree

All present voted in favor. Wayne & Nancy Lervik Paid under Protest-17-161-96 SW1/4NW1/4 \$1,578-\$1,155 or \$320.84-to \$234.72 was revised by Upland Township \$1,578-\$1,155 or \$320.84-to \$234.83. Wayne Lervik was also in attendance. Mr. Lervik mentioned that they use to rent out this property to hunters and dog trainer, but now the roof, windows, siding need to be replaced. Mr. Lervik mentioned that they had it appraised when he did their Life Estate and the house was valued at zero. Ms. Williams mentioned that since the house is still standing so she has to put minimal value on \$3,000.00. Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to agree with the Upland Township recommendation. All present voted in favor.

Tamara Rodham Crosby City Original L11-12 Blk 13 qualifies for homestead credit abatement \$5,486 to 0 or \$1,354.22 to .00. Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to approve this abatement. All pres-

ent voted in favor. Natalie Johnson abatement mobile home qualifies for farm exemption \$7,236 to 0 or \$1,512.98 to \$.00. Motion was made by Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner

Johnson to approve this abatement as

presented. All present voted in favor. Conference call was placed to Scott Wheeler requesting a letter of support or proclamation for Law-75th celebration. Board

mentioned that they would discuss it. Bruce Verlinde Blooming Valley Zoning Chairman met with the board to discuss roads, power lines, and oil companies. Board mentioned that the power lines are controlled by the Public Service Commission, oil companies are controlled by Industrial Commission, the roads that their township should provide a map to Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent, for the oil traffic roads. Board mentioned that if they have valid concerns with the powerlines that they should draft a letter first take it to the zoning board and then to board of commissioners and that they would review it and sign off that they support it,

Rose Demint and Marshall Nelson, Janitorial, met with the board to update them that the generator was serviced by Interstate and will be sending a report. Ms. Demint mentioned that 2 lights need to be replaced in the NDSU office. Board mentioned to contact Dustin Loucks, Ms. Demint asked about plumbing a pump in the old sheriff office. Motion was made Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to authorize Ms. Demint to contact Duane Johnson. All present voted in favor. Ms. Demint mentioned that F&F and Pro Safe will be up beginning of May.

Jeffrey Wendt, BCBS representative, met with the board to present the counties annual enrollment paperwork and figures. Mr. Wendt formed the board that the premium is going up 15.4%. Insurance went up 10% overall because now they have to cover GLP1 for weight loss and county went up 5.4% because of age base. Commissioner Eriksmoen asked about large group plan versus small group plan. Mr. Wendt asked for total number of employees. Ms. Jastrzebski mentioned that average is 45, but summer months we have more. Mr. Wendt mentioned that they can have exceptions and will request a quote for large group, but then that is based on claims. Ms. Jastrzebski asked if he could provide those number so the board can do comparable. Board authorized Ms. Jastrzebski to sign paperwork to request this data.

Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent, met with the board. Mr. Haugenoe asked how the 2026 budget looks because he would like to put in for motor graders. Mr. Haugenoe mentioned that cost today is \$470,000,00. Chairman Jacobs asked about crushing next year. Mr. Haugenoe mentioned yes. Mr. Haugenoe informed the board that 5 of the bridges were flagged. Board discussed options for these bridges. Mr. Haugenoe updated the board on the crack sealing procedures.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve

the following travel requests: Shari Bublitz-DES/911/Zoning April 25 Williston for Physical/Chemical Properties for Risk Based Response EOC, Christina Running Clerk/ meeting. All present voted in favor. Motion was made by Commis-

sioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to approve transfer of \$35,000.00 from General to 911. All present voted in favor. The following bills on motion

made and approved were placed in line for payment: Williams County Sheriff .....\$1,605.00 Vestis ...... \$321.96

Verizon ...... \$40.01 Tyler Technologies ...... \$960.00 Thos Pickett And Co Inc.....\$3,000.00 St. Luke's Hospital......\$125.00 Sorums ...... \$8,070.39 Sheridan Electric Coop Inc.....\$186.99 Share Corporation ........... \$1,436.86 RTC Networks ..............\$238.00 Rose Deep Cleaning.......\$7,105.00 Rooted Home ......\$38.00 Relx Inc Dba Lexis Nexis .... \$78.00 Powerschool ...... \$1,476.24 Petty Cash Library ...... \$251.67 Otis Elevator Company..... \$952.28 Northwest Septic Service..... \$73.25 Northwest Communications Coop....... \$44.20 North Dakota Envelope Company ....... \$2,105.63

New Century Ag ...... \$35,776.18

Nelson Auto Center...... \$49,994.76

Nehring Law Office ...........\$525.00

NDSU NDLTAP-UGPTI ... \$50.00

NDSU Agriculture

Defendant.

Communication.........\$6,924.54 ND Emergency Services ... \$11,776.37 Montana Dakota Utilities.....\$9,782.52 Micromarketing......\$215.89 Marco Technologies LLC.. \$222.86 Lindsey Grocery...........\$137.96 Journal Publishing Inc......\$311.00 John Deere Financial C... \$5,449.13 Jerrys Transfer Service...... \$287.00 Jamie Vandal ..... \$793.50 Inland Truck Parts & Service ...... \$10,751.30 Information Technology Dept......\$1,522.90 General Trading Company ......\$698.00 First State Bank And Trust ...... \$3,936.28 Farmers Union

Oil Company.....\$3,403.13

Divide County Treasurer.... \$304.80

Crosby City ...... \$991.04

Cenex Fleet Fueling ........\$237.16 Burke Divide Electric ......\$49.28 Burmer Depot ......\$111.15 Brad Johnson Insurance .. \$2,118.00

Blue To Gold LLC ..... \$225.00

Ben Erickson......\$157.00

Axon Enterprise Inc ..... \$24,698.60

ATT Mobile ......\$646.52

Amazon.....\$139.36 Total .....\$200,535.42 There being no further business meeting adjourned at noon to recon-

vene May 6, 2025. Gayle Jastrzebski County Auditor/Treasurer Isaac Jacobs, Chairman, **Board Divide County** Commissioner

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Divide County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a hearing on Friday, May 16 at 9AM, in Conference Room 1 of the Divide County Courthouse located in Crosby, North Dakota, for the purpose of hearing and considering all testimony regarding the following application.

LLC (landowner Brandon Peterson) have requested a Zoning Change from current zoning as Industrial (currently a Salt Water Disposal Facility) back to Agricultural. Located on NW/NE of Section 36, Township 163N, Range 98W.

Shari Bublitz, Land Use Administrator

# Secure Waste Infrastructure USA, **Help Wanted**

# Full-time shop help needed

Repair and replace car, pickup and truck tires, do oil changes, light mechanical, etc.

• BC/BS Benefits for full time

• Uniforms Supplied

Contact James Ralph @ Farmers Union Oil Co. Grenora 701-694-3405 or mail resume to PO Box 35, Grenora ND 58845

### **NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, the annual election of Divide County School District No. 1 will be held for the purpose of electing three members

to the school board. The polls will be open at 10 a.m. and will close at 7 p.m. on that day.

To be elected are: • District 1 - Noonan Rural or City Position - Residents of Noonan and rural residents of Long Creek, Mentor, Blooming Valley, Coalfield, Upland, Border, Hayland, and parts of Stoneview, Forthun, Keller and Harmonious townships, which are in the Divide County School District, are eligible for this position. Currently held by Samantha Pulvermacher.

(Three year term) • Rural At Large -A rural resident anywhere within the Divide County School District, excluding the city of Crosby, may file for this position.

Currently held by Shawn Sundberg.

(Three year term) • Rural At Large –A rural resident anywhere within the Divide County School District, excluding the city of Crosby, may file for this position. Currently held by Coby Hubble.

(Three year term) Polling places for all Districts are as follows:

Noonan Community Center

605 S Main Street,

Crosby, ND 58730

Noonan, ND 58765 Crosby – Divide County Library 104 1st Street NE,

Barbara King Business Manager Divide County School District

## IN DISTRICT COURT NORTHWEST JUDICIAL DISTRICT State of North Dakota, by and through the Office of State Tax

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA** 

**COUNTY OF DIVIDE** 

Commissioner, Plaintiff, Thomas J. Chaffee,

Civil No. 12-2025-CV-00028

**SUMMONS** THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFEN-

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action, which is herewith served upon you and has been filed with the Clerk of the District Court in the county in which this action is commenced, by serving upon the undersigned with an Answer or other proper response within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Dated this 29th day of April, 2025, at Bismarck, North Dakota.

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