

Divide County Commission Minutes

APPROVED DIVIDE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES September 16, 2025 8 A.M.

The Board of Divide County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday September 16, 2025, with all members present, Chairman Jacobs presiding, Jordan Rusche, Journalist, also in attendance.

Minutes from September 4, 2025, the meeting was read and approved with corrections.

Carol Williams, Tax Director, met with the board to discuss the following: Sidwell Quote to implement FARMS – \$10,490 –Ms. Williams mentioned that she can fit it into her current, 2025 budget, and it will make maintaining and implementing soil updates easier – yearly maintenance fee is currently \$700, Along with this goes the Vanguard Appraisals module or download to put the Sidwell soil into their software – less than \$3,500, in the budget for 2025 – Ms. Williams mentioned that she is still verifying with Vanguard that this will work with our data and best approach, when should Ag Land Update happen – 2026 or 2027? Board mentioned 2027, Soil Modifiers – Legislative change from SB 2367The Divide County Commission will address modifiers on a case-by-case basis in 10% reduction

adjustments from upper limit of soil type value not to exceed 40% with regards to:ALKALINE: Areas where excess salts interfere with crop production,ROCKS: Where the removal of large rocks would be costly. Not used for incidental rocks that can be easily removed or piled.,INACCESSIBILITY: Areas created by new roads blocking path to the field (oil well roads, etc.). and WETNESS: Low lying areas that are poorly drained. Motion was made by Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve this quote and to add a minimum of 5 acres for the soil modifiers and change the 40% to 50%. All present voted in favor.

Juliet Artman, UMHU nurse joined the meeting. Conference call was done with UMHU for the annual 2026 budget hearing. Divide County share is \$40,435.00.

Board reviewed the correspondence from Bureau of Land Management with regards to Cooperating Agency Response Form. The chairman signed the necessary paperwork.

Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent, met with the board to inform them that the Svangstu bridge has been selected in the semi finals for the flex funding. Board discussed the possibility of doing the first option bridge listed at the same time to save on costs. Board will review funding closer to the time if the bridge is

approved. Mr. Haugenoe presented some winter projects proposals and asked about purchasing disc blade from an auction. Board authorized Mr. Haugenoe up to \$4,500.00. Mr. Haugenoe requested travel for Sonny Radenic to Sioux Falls SD for the annual road conference October 19-22 and he also requested travel for NDACO conference October 26-29. Motion was made by Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve this travel and to amend Gayle Jastrzebski travel for the annual risk management from October 10 to October 14. All present voted in favor,

Shari Bublit, 911/Zoning/DES, met with the board to update them that state radio with the standard’s operating guideline is incorporating the ambulance responding to all vehicle fires.

No one appeared for the County Budget Hearing. Motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to levy \$1,829,392.00 for 2026. All present voted in favor.

The following bills on motion made and approved were placed in line for payment:
Williams County Sheriff . \$1,275.00
Vestis.....\$321.96
United States Postmaster....\$162.00
Tyler Technologies.....\$145.00
Travis Binde.....\$539.70
Rtc Networks\$238.00

Rose Deep Cleaning..... \$7,105.00
Red Rock Ford\$58.92
Quill\$353.96
Northwest Septic Service...\$202.50
Northwest Communications Coop....\$1,176.08
North Dakota Envelope Company.....\$2,230.63
Noonan City\$82.03
New Century Ag\$5,752.67
ND Assn Counties\$126.00
Montana Dakota Utilities ..\$6,271.01
Marco Technologies LLC....\$26.00
Kimball Midwest\$79.07
Jacobs Hardware Hank\$18.99
Ironhide Equipment\$17.60
Information Technology Dept.....\$1,230.00
IDI.....\$37.25
Fortuna City\$29.65
Forte.....\$902.50
First State Bank And Trust\$3,053.68
Crosby City Park Board.....\$35,095.30
Crosby City\$2,008.36
Burke Divide Electric\$46.47
Brady Martz Cpa.....\$14,700.00
Ambrose City\$22.62
Total\$83,307.95

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. to reconvene October 2, 2025.

Gayle Jastrzebski
County Auditor/Treasurer
Isaac Jacobs, Chairman,
Board Divide County
Commissioner

Ray City Commission Minutes

UNAPPROVED RAY CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Ray City Hall September 24, 2025 10 a.m.

A special meeting of the Ray City Commission was called to order by President Troy Kupper at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Eric Barman; Andrew Nelson (via zoom); and Richard Liesener. Absent: Brunner. Also in attendance: Christopher Abraham, Shane Schmidtgal, PWD; Jan Dancer, Deputy Auditor and Auditor, Ronda Rustad. Via Zoom: Dave Wiosna, IEL; Jordan Rusche (Crosby Journal).

After commission discussion and review of Public Works application. Liesener moves to hire Chris Abraham, as soon as drug test is back and clear, a probationary period of 90 days- allowing Liesener and PWD to make earlier recommendations. Starting at \$30/per hour, moving to \$32 after probation; register with state water program within first 90 days.

PTO is held until end of 90 days. Seconded by Barman, RCV MCU. Commission will look at city housing once available, and discuss fair rent.

Barman moved to give the auditor authority to purchase any blighted property listed on the County Tax Foreclosure sale. Seconded by Nelson, RCV MCU.

Liesener moves to approve the development agreement w/Sandstrom’s with noted changes: entire property to R-3, noted subdivision of parcel, assessment of city expenses for surveying and water/sewer extensions. Seconded by Barman, RCV MCU.

Liesener moves adjourn, seconded by Barman, RCV. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m..

Next Special Meeting date to be determined.

RCV MCU = roll call vote motion carries unanimously

Ronda Rustad
Auditor, City of Ray
Troy Kupper, President
Ray City Commission

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice that the City of Crosby Planning and Zoning Commission has received an application for variance from Brent and Amber Gunderson for the purpose of: change of zoning from residential to commercial on the residential property located on lot E1/2, block 2, Ericksons addition to the City of Crosby, Divide County, North Dakota, and hereby sets a date for the public hearing on said application for variance before final recommendation

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Probate No. 12-2025-PR-00118
IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
NORTHWEST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF DIVIDE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
OrLynne D. Dahl
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Lynn M. Dahl, 3550 S. Ivanhoe St., Denver, CO 80237, Personal Representative of the Estate, or Neff Law, P.C., P.O. Box 1526, Williston, ND 58802-1526, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 1st, day of October, 2025.
Estate of Orlynn D. Dahl,
Deceased

/s/ Lynn M. Dahl
Lynn M. Dahl
Personal Representative

for consideration by the Crosby City Council. The hearing will be held on Tuesday October 28th, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. at Crosby City Hall located at 15 W Central Avenue, Crosby, North Dakota 58730. Any person wishing to comment on the application for variance may do so orally or in writing at the time of the hearing. By order of the planning and zoning commission.

City of Crosby
Alexa Kruger, Auditor

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
NORTHWEST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF DIVIDE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Larry R. DeJardine
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to MARILYN J. BINDE, Personal Representative of the estate, at P.O. Box 506, Crosby, ND 58730, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 18th, day of September, 2025.

/s/ Marilyn J. Binde
Marilyn J. Binde
Personal Representative

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ray City Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing on October 14, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room at City Hall in Ray. This meeting will provide an opportunity for the public to provide comments on a proposed zoning amendment application and preliminary plat. The Applicant requests a zoning change from the R-1 zoning district to the R-3 zoning district in conjunction with a subdivision to divide the existing parcel into two parcels.

The parcel under consideration is Block 1, Donnelly Addition, NE1/4SE1/4, Section 9, T156N, R97W, 5th P.M., City of Ray, Williams County, North Dakota.

NOTICE OF HEARING

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
OF DIVIDE COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Raymond Anderson
Deceased.

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PETITION FOR ADJUDICATION
OF INTESTACY AND
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DAVID RONNING, of P.O. Box 193, Columbus, North Dakota 58727, has filed in the above Court and cause a Petition for Adjudication of Intestacy and Determination of Heirs and Appointment of Personal Representative for the Estate of RAYMOND ANDERSON. For further information, the Petition, as filed, may be examined in the office of the clerk of the above Court.

Hearing upon said Petition will be held in said Court at the Courtroom of the Divide County Courthouse, Crosby, North Dakota, on the 24th day of October, 2025, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., at which time all interested persons may appear and object.

Dated this 17th, day of September, 2025.

Karell Kimmet Beddow PLLP
/s/Patrick G.N. Beddow
Patrick G.N. Beddow, #07456

The City Commission will consider all comments, written or spoken, at the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted to the City Auditor’s Office prior to the meeting date, during regular business hours: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Thursday and 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Friday.

Should you plan to attend the hearing and need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, contact the City Auditor at (701) 568-2204. The City Auditor will provide digital connection information for individuals interested in attending the meeting via Zoom upon request.

Ronda Rustad
Ray City Auditor

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Probate No. 12-2025-PR-00115
IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
OF DIVIDE COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Lester Anderson
Deceased.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ray Planning and Zoning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing on October 9, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room at City Hall in Ray. This meeting will provide an opportunity for the public to provide comments on a proposed zoning amendment application and preliminary plat. The Applicant is requesting a zoning change from the R-1 zoning district to the R-3 zoning district in conjunction with a subdivision to divide the existing parcel into two parcels.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
OF DIVIDE COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Marie Isaacson
a/k/a Marie L. Isaacson
Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: The heirs, devisees, and other interested persons in the Estate of Marie Isaacson, a/k/a Marie L. Isaacson.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that Penny Arnson, Petitioner, has filed a Petition with the Clerk of District Court in and for Divide County, North Dakota, appointing her as Personal Representative of the estate and for an order authorizing and directing her to distribute the property belonging to the estate of the decedent, consisting of certain mineral interests.

The real property in question is located in Divide County, North Dakota.

The Court has set the following date for the hearing of said Petition at the Williams County Courthouse in Williston, North Dakota:

October 20, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. Central Standard Time.

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that papers with respect to said Petition are on file with the Divide County Clerk of District Court and you may contact the undersigned with your response or any questions

Dated this 17th, day of September, 2025.

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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
OF DIVIDE COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Glenn Douglas Isaacson
Deceased.

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: The heirs, devisees, and other interested persons in the Estate of Glenn Douglas Isaacson.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that Penny Arnson, Petitioner, has filed a Petition with the Clerk of District Court in and for Divide County, North Dakota, appointing her as Personal Representative of the estate and for an order authorizing and directing her to distribute the property belonging to the estate of the decedent, consisting of certain mineral interests.

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2024				2025			
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30	35	69	.00	56	85	.00	
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04	34	75	.00	44	64	.00	
05	40	69	.00	26	55	.01	
06	30	65	.00	22	59	.00	
Normal high.....				59°			

Normal low	35°
Record high	84°, (2003)
Record low	11°, (1946)
Prec. Oct. 2025 to date.....	0.03
Prec. Oct. 2024 to date.....	0.00
Total Prec. 2025 to date.....	15.92
Total Prec. 2024 to date.....	10.28
Norm. prec. to date.....	13.24
Sunrise	8:02 a.m.
Sunset	7:18 p.m.

Help Wanted

Bookkeeping Office Help

- Farmers Union Oil Company, Grenora is looking for a responsible, reliable person to work in our bookkeeping office.
- Hours are flexible

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

Help Wanted

Full-time shop help needed

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

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