

Grant County Commission Proceedings



Regular Commission Proceedings March 5, 2025

Chairman Zenker called the March 5, 2025 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order at 9:03 a.m. All present honored our nation by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Public present: Riley Dahl – GCN, Shannon Wangsvick – TCJJDA, Jackie Steinmetz, Tax Equal. Director.

Commissioner Marty Meyer moved to approve agenda, seconded by Commissioner AlRoy Hochhalter. All present voting aye; agenda approved.

Moved by Commissioner Hochhalter and seconded by Commissioner Meyer to approve February 19, 2025 Regular Board of Commissioner meeting minutes. All present voting aye. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Old business:
New business:

Meyer moved to approve bills totaling \$10,506.02. Seconded by Hochhalter. Roll call vote - Meyer-aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Bills approved.

Acme Tools8.99
Amanda Dahners249.75
Auto Value Mandan251.54
Benco Equipment42.40
Big O Tires2,179.82
Cerberus Security1,567.50
City of Carson292.54
Fireside Office Solutions

.....189.10
GS Publishing LLC1,400.72
Hammer Lane Diesel LLC

.....952.85
Hertz Brothers Inc201.87
Interstate All Battery Center

.....809.30
John Deere Financial60.97
Matthew Bender & Co Inc

.....58.10
Pomp's Tire1,583.40
Stelter Repair Inc274.14
Thomson Reuters383.03

Jackie Steinmetz recommended no change to agri-

cultural values for 2025. The average value for 2024 was \$371.33 and the average value as certified by the Office of State Tax Commissioner for 2025 is \$376.29. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to make no change to the agricultural value for 2025. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Steinmetz requested compensatory time for upcoming township and city board of equalization meeting at a rate of one and one-half the time worked outside regular office hours. Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve compensatory time. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Jason Albert, Planning and Zoning, Flood Plain Coordinator requested a change in the hearing schedule for Grid United to April 16th, at 11:00 in the Courtroom of the Grant County Courthouse.

Mr. Albert requested approval to participate in the NDPERs Wellness Program for the year of July1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Participation in the program may result in a premium reduction of 1% for the year.

Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve participation. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Mr Albert requested approval to participate in the NDACo Learning Management System for a premium reduction of up to 5% on the workers compensation. Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve participation by county employees. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve 2023 application for abatement for parcel 61066300 for a value reduction of \$500.00. Reduction is due to double valuation of property owned by MDU resources being included in the value of privately owned property. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve 2024 application for abatement for parcel 61066300 for a value reduction of \$500.00. Reduction is due to double valuation of property owned by MDU resources being included in the value of privately owned property. Roll call vote – Meyer – aye, Hochhalter – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 11:55 a.m. FYI: next scheduled meetings will be March 19th and April 2, 2025.

/s/Alton Zenker
Alton Zenker, Chairman
/s/Sara Meier
Sara Meier, Auditor
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Two awarded JMF scholarships

Two students who plan to pursue medical-related careers are the recipients of a Jacobson Memorial Hospital Foundation \$500 scholarship.

Brooke Banyai, a senior at Grant County High School in Elgin, and Zoey Heid, a graduate of Grant County High School who is attending Dickinson State University, each was awarded a \$500 scholarship.

Banyai, the daughter of Tanya Banyai and Greg Banyai, plans to attend Bismarck State College to enroll in the diagnostic medical sonography program.

Applicants were asked to write an essay describing how they would hope to leave an impact on the world.

“By volunteering and supporting my community, I have found a sense of purpose and responsibility to leave a mark on the world,” Brooke wrote in her essay. She cited her time as



BANYAI



HEID

a volunteer at the Country Community Cupboard food pantry as a lesson in selflessness.

“Being given the opportunity to bring hope and a sense of unity to those around me is one I am forever grateful for,” she wrote. “These experiences have allowed me to gain an insight into how the simplest acts of kindness can change a person’s life.”

Brooke also shared she hopes to make an impact through her career.

“My goal is to leave a lasting effect by using the knowledge I gain to provide the utmost care to patients,” she wrote.

Heid is currently attending Dickinson State University in-person and Mayville State University online, pursuing an undergraduate degree in exercise science. She plans to continue her education in a graduate program at the University of Mary in the fall, with plans to obtain a doctorate degree in physical therapy specializing in orthopedics and sports medicine. She is the daughter of Marty and Kristin Heid, and currently works as a CNA at Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center.

“As a physical therapist who specializes in orthopedics and sports medicine, I have realized that I have the potential to make a significant difference on individuals, communities and even the health care system as a whole,” she wrote in her essay.

“Many communities, particularly small rural populations, lack access to quality physical therapy services. Coming from a small North Dakota town myself, I have seen the disadvantages of not having the resources to properly teach young athletes about their physical health and not having proper training,” she wrote. “I know that I can bridge that gap and bring essential rehabilitative care to those who need it the most.”

The Jacobson Memorial Hospital Foundation is a nonprofit organization formed to raise funds to help financially support the vital, life-saving services of the Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center in Elgin, with clinics in Elgin, Glen Ullin and Richardson.

“The Foundation’s mission is to support JMHCC and this is another way to help educate more health care workers and encourage them to move back to the area following their education,” said JMHCC CEO Scott Brooks. “We congratulate both of these recipients of this scholarship. We are excited they have decided to pursue medical-related careers.”

Notice of Public Organizational Meeting and Election New Leipzig – Elgin Ambulance District

Notice is hereby given to all qualified electors living within the boundaries of the territory described below. Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. MT in the New Leipzig Ambulance Meeting Room at 18 First St SE, New Leipzig, ND; a meeting will be held to form the New Leipzig-Elgin Ambulance District and elect a Board of Directors.

Immediately following the organizational meeting, the district's Board of Directors will hold a public meeting with the following agenda:

- Call to order
- Nomination and election of officers
- Current ambulance service overview
- Discussion of next steps
- Schedule of next meeting date time location
- Adjournment

Grant County:			
Howe Township	TWN 130	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 18, 21 - 28 and that part of sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 32 - 36 in Grant County
Howe Township	TWN 129	RNG 89	That part of sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 in Grant County
Pretty Rock Township	TWN 131	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 36
Rock Township	TWN 133	RNG 88	All of sections 1 - 36
Elm Township	TWN 134	RNG 88	All of sections 1 - 36
Minnie Township	TWN 134	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 36
Leipzig Township	TWN 135	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 129	RNG 88	That part of sections 1 – 6, 10 and 11 in Grant County
	TWN 130	RNG 88	All of sections 1 – 30, 33 – 35, and that part of sections 31, 32, and 36 in Grant County
	TWN 130	RNG 90	All of sections 1 – 20, and that part of section 21 – 30 in Grant County
	TWN 131	RNG 88	All of sections 4 - 9, 16 - 21, 28 - 33, and the west half of section 34
	TWN 131	RNG 90	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 132	RNG 88	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 132	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 132	RNG 90	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 133	RNG 89	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 133	RNG 90	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 134	RNG 90	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 135	RNG 88	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 135	RNG 90	All of sections 1 - 36
	TWN 136	RNG 88	All of sections 19 – 21, 24 - 36
	TWN 136	RNG 89	All of sections 8, 9, 10, 13, 18 – 36, and that part of sections 7, 11, and 14 – 17 south of Heart River channel
	TWN 136	RNG 90	All of sections 4 – 36

City of New Leipzig
City of Elgin

Sara Meier, Auditor/Treasurer
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FLASHER PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS BIDS 2025-2026 Big Bus

FLASHER PUBLIC SCHOOL WILL BE ACCEPTING BIDS FOR A NEW YELLOW SCHOOL BUS. Bids must be received before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 and will be opened April 8, 2025. Bids will be reviewed when received so all questions can be asked of those bidding before the meeting.

The motor chassis furnished shall comply with the specifications relating to the school bus chassis, adopted by the State Board of Education and State Commissioner of Highways, in addition to the special requirements requested by the local school board as given below. The specifications of the school bus body as to the construction of the frame work, walls, ceilings, floors, insulation, entrance and emergency doors, lighting, wiring and mounting, will comply with the minimum standards and regulations of the State Board of Education and the State Commissioner of Highways, in addition to the special requirements requested by the local school board as given below.

SPECIFICATIONS:

- *Approx. 47-48 Passenger
- *International Chassis
- *Gas Engine V8 - Opt International Max Force Diesel
- *Automatic Transmission
- *Mid-Ship & Rear Heaters
- *Tinted Windows
- *Heated Wipers
- *Step Well Guard
- *Rear Air Foil Deflector
- *Equipment Compartment above Driver
- *Driver Cup Holder
- *Foot Operated Park Brake or electric
- *Large Fuel Tank
- *Block Heater
- *Winter Front Cover
- *Air-Ride Driver Seat
- *Electric Heated & Remote Control Adj. Mirrors
- *Front & Rear Mud Flaps
- *LED Lighting
- *Tow Hooks both Front & Back

Bidder to attach manufacturer's literature describing the chassis on which the bid has been submitted.

List Below Trade-In Allowance:
Used Bus 2018 Ford V10 Blue Bird (47 passenger)
VIN# 1BAKCCEH8JF340473 - 130,000 Mi.

Bids can be mailed to Flasher Public School, Attn. Joyce Miller, PO Box 267, Flasher, ND 58535, faxed to 701-597-3781, or emailed to joyce.miller@k12.nd.us. Please call Flasher Public School at 701-597-3355 if you have any additional questions.

Flasher Public School reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.