



Affidavit of Publication

Katie Foiles, being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am the designated agent, under the provisions and for the purposes of, Section 31-04-06, NDCC, for the newspapers listed on the attached exhibit.

A. Exhibit Attached (Overview):

NDNA Order Number: **25122NN2**

NDNA Invoice Number: **25272**

Description: **Notice of Filing and Notice of Public Hearing, Case No PU-24-371**

Publication(s): **Burke Co Tribune**

Date published to ndpublicnotices.com: **November 12, 2025**

Exhibit details publication(s) and run dates published as requested by the placing agency or department; description of published notice.

2. All of the listed newspapers are legal newspapers in the State of North Dakota and, under the provisions of Section 46-05-01, NDCC, are qualified to publish any public notice or any matter required by law or ordinance to be printed or published in a newspaper in North Dakota.

Dated: November 12, 2025

Signed: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katie Foiles", is written over a horizontal line.

Print Name/Title: Katie Foiles, Advertising Placement Coordinator

Notary Public: 2nd 71

My commission expires: May 4, 2029



Public Notices

Burke County Tribune
Wednesday, November 12, 2025

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PUBLIC

NOTICES

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Official Proceedings of the Board of Burke County Commissioners

October 21, 2025

OPENING & ROLL CALL

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at the Burke County Courthouse, Bowbells ND beginning with a Planning & Zoning meeting at 8:00 a.m. Planning & Zoning Chairman Rich Owings & County Commissioner Shannon Holter presiding. Also present were Sandy Raines, Ted Hawbaker, Lisa Knutson, Jason Wettstein, Planning & Zoning Administrator Jill Edwards & Auditor Amie Vandegraft. Chairman Jarret Van Berkum, Amber Fiesel & Lyann Olson joined for the County Commissioners portion of the meeting.

Chairman Van Berkum called the County Commission meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

2. BUSINESS

A. MINUTES

Motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Owings to approve the regular meeting of October 7, 2025. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

B. BILLS

Motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Owings to approve the bills list and that the County Auditor be instructed to pay the bills out of the proper funds. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

GENERAL

County Employees	\$78,859.66	
TOTAL	\$78,859.66	
COUNTY AGENT		
County Employees	\$3,351.55	
TOTAL	\$3,351.55	
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER		
County Employees	\$1,198.79	
TOTAL	\$1,198.79	
911		
County Employees	\$244.89	
TOTAL	\$244.89	
GRAND TOTAL		\$83,654.89
ROAD & BRIDGE		
Brosz Engineering, Inc.	\$650.00	
Burke County Treasurer	193.37	
Guerdett Estate	450.00	
Jerry's Transfer Service	50.00	
Jo Ann Detke	450.00	
Lignite Oil Company	9,669.81	
Load O Meter	48,760.00	

Lucy Trucks	19,760.78	
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	51.74	
One Call Concepts, Inc.	1.50	
Verizon Wireless	460.60	
Westlie Motor Company	1,649.17	
TOTAL	\$82,146.97	
GENERAL		
Amie Vandegraft	\$96.60	
Michael Herman	364.00	
Axon Enterprise Inc.	11,984.40	
Burke County Treasurer	654.74	
Computer Express Inc.	529.95	
Dacotah Bank	1,410.92	
Dacotah Paper Company	452.47	
Farmers Union Lumber Co.	11.99	
Gaffaney's of Minot Inc.	1,152.41	
Harry's Tire Service	1,073.71	
Lignite Service & Repair	1,958.71	
Mooring Tech Inc.	7,745.00	
Morelli's Distributing, Inc.	\$52.20	
Ryan Chevrolet	1,830.04	
Verizon Wireless	792.02	
Vestis	460.13	
TOTAL	\$30,569.29	
ABANDONED CEMETERIES		
Wanda Ely	\$600.00	
TOTAL	\$600.00	
COUNTY AGENT		
Burke County Treasurer	\$168.35	
NDSU Extension Service	7,354.16	
TOTAL	\$7,522.51	
VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER		
Verizon Wireless	\$42.57	
TOTAL	\$42.57	
WEED CONTROL		
Farmers Union Oil Company	\$273.41	
Gooseneck Implement Minot	1,189.02	
Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc.	12,362.00	
TOTAL	\$13,824.43	
GRAND TOTAL		\$134,705.77

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
Larry Lepke addressed the board regarding the animal feedlots ordinance from the Planning & Zoning board meeting earlier. He attended the wrong meeting. He did express his concerns about a neighboring PLOT having some cows on it.
4. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED
Jill Edwards, Planning & Zoning Administrator, met with the board.
A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Owings to approve a Building application from Mourene Jourdan to build a shop with an apartment in it in Thorson Twp. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried. Jill then informed the Commissioners that she added a condition (#6) to the CUP permit by Northern Divide Energy Storage, LLC. The condition requires a hearing to any proposed change to the CUP.
Spencer Goodman, County Road Supervisor, met with the board.
Spencer provided updates on multiple projects, including mowing, cleaning the lease tractors, getting the sand boxes in the trucks for winter prep & Sandre crushing this fall. Discussion was held on the signs for Powers Lake City. Chairman Van Berkum would like input from the city council on placement of the signs. Other projects discussed were cleaning out ditches, pulling an old fence & cattails on the coal mine road, graveling was finishing up for the year, NDLTAP training coming up and taking inventory on pipe sign & cutting-edge inventory before the year was over.
At 10:00 a.m. the public hearing on

Comments were heard regarding concerns about the police department's impact on business and the broader reputation of Powers Lake. The commenters requested for improved officer demeanor and relationship with the community; want focus on treating people respectfully, even during traffic enforcement. Chief Leighton addressed circulating rumors within the area and it was not his goal to be perceived in a negative manner. Council committed to revisit the situation at the next meeting; public is urged to use official complaint forms (available on website). Residents are reassured complaints can be directed to the police commissioner or mayor; strong condemnation of any potential retaliation against complainants. Public comment ended at 7:03 pm and the following left the meeting: Thorlaksen, Streifel, Hockenbary, Peterson, and Kranz.
Ackerman-Estvold gave the engineering report.
Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Holmen to approve the final pay app for the chip seal project as presented by Brosz Engineering for \$3,298.99. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

tax foreclosed properties was held. Sandy Raines, Columbus City Auditor, appeared for the hearing. She expressed her concern with a property in Columbus that she felt was appraised too low. No action was taken.

5. DISCUSSION

The commissioners will be attending the Souris Basin State of Region 2 meeting in Minot on October 30th. The Auditor submitted the budget report from the VSO officer and the NDDOT federal aid program sheet. Discussion was held on the water board's deadlines for the minnow bridge. Comm. Holter stated there were no deadlines. Discussion was held on December 2nd meeting. The Board will have a special meeting December 29th. Chairman Van Berkum called Tracy Stover in to discuss the flooding in the basement. He is concerned they need to address it before next spring. Tracy had Ralph's Plumbing coming today.

6. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m. to meet again in regular session November 4, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes read and approved this 4th day of November 2025.

Jarret Van Berkum
Chairman, Burke County Board of Commissioners

Amie Vandegraft
Burke County Auditor

November 12, 2025

Motion by Parslow, seconded by Holmen approve the October 6 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Auditor: Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Parslow to approve the October fund balance statement as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to approve the cashing of the equipment reserve CD when it matures. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Landfill/Bldg Permits: Waiting for snowfall to burn the landfill.

Streets/Legion Hall: The legion bathrooms were used when the 4-plex had sewer issues.

Water: Tower recirculation line has been repaired. Lift station annual inspection has been completed. Hydrants were flushing October 2.

Police report for October: calls for service-40; misdemeanor arrest-1; total arrests-1; total stops-36; citations-15; written warnings-4; verbal warnings-17; admin-10; school checks-10+; door checks-2; alarm calls-1; phone calls-137. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Griesbach to hold the Back the Black grant check-\$2,819.54. Funds for the grant needed to be expended by March 2027. Roll vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Discussion was held on credit card bond payments.

Mayor: Light Up Night is November 22 and Bakken Cookfest 2026 will be held in Powers Lake on 7-16-2026. The old newspapers are still to be digitized by State Historical Society.

Old Business: Covenants for Hegstad Subdivision need more review.

New Business: Two bids were reviewed for automatic door openers at the city hall building. Motion by Holmen, seconded by Moen to approve the quote of \$7,987.00 from Fargo Glass for automatic door openers on the city hall door and senior citizen door. An electrician will need to be hired to complete the install. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Parslow to approve the bid for a 4' X 9' basket for the tele-loader from Acme Tools for \$3,375.00. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous. Tele-loader should be delivered in December.

Motion by Griesbach, seconded by Moen to pay the following bills: Adobe \$20.99, Burke County Clerk of Court 150.00, Burke County Tribune 141.93, Cenex 548.94, Circle Sanitation 8152.25, Core & Main 193.25, Country Store 1298.09, Dakota Fire Extinguisher 58.59, First District Health 30.00, H&H Coating 16800.00, Heck Built 68.00, ITD 103.40, Jorgenson Lumber 10865.00, Kenny MacDonald 85.19, LexiPol 2576.31, MDU 3218.78, Modern Marketing 1345.05, NCC 576.93, ND League Cities 629.00, One Call Concepts 1.50, Verizon 99.93, Liz Beavers 776.18, Patrick Leighton 4430.43, Kenny MacDonald (city) 3035.27, Kenny MacDonald (watershed) 193.01, Jeff Parslow 147.39, Jennifer Titus 2674.65, NDPERs (retirement) 418.87, NDPERs (Def Comp) 750.00, IRS payroll taxes-3056.29. Roll call vote resulted in ayes unanimous.

Next meeting is Tuesday, December 2 at 6 pm.

Motion by Holmen, seconded by Moen to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Motion carried.

Kari Enget, Mayor

Jennifer Titus, City Auditor

November 12, 2025

City of Lignite Council Proceedings

Regular Meeting

November 3, 2025

Unofficial Minutes

Meeting called to order by Mayor L. Granrud. Present CP W. Rick, CVP J. Ruby, Council members K. Termine, N. Sandberg, Maintenance Superintendent J. Ehlike, and Auditor Knutson. Guest Jason Hysjulien.

• Motion to approve previous months minutes by W. Rick, second by K. Termine. All in favor, motion carried.

• Motion to approve Budget meeting minutes by W. Rick, second by N. Sandberg. All in favor, motion carried.

• Motion to approve financials as presented by W. Rick, second by K. Termine. All in favor, motion carried.

• Motion to renew beer & liquor license to the 109 Club by W. Rick, second by N. Sandberg. All in favor, motion carried.

• Motion to approve BP #2025-007 to the 109 Club to move existing fence and add a shed by J. Ruby, second by W. Rick. All in favor, motion carried.

• Motion to approve the following bills by W. Rick, second by N. Sandberg. All in favor, motion carried.

• LVFD water sales reviewed.

• Maintenance report: Final inspection by ND Forestry has been done on the trees. The filters on the water tower have been cleaned and the tower is working well now. Fire hydrants have been flushed, caps that needed to be replaced have been and hydrants have been greased. Two hydrants should be raised up and most of the hydrants are 60+ years old. Discussion on cost of replacing or repairing hydrants. Scrap metal and appliances have been removed from the landfill and the landfill will remain open until snow fall. Equipment is being serviced, water samples have been completed, the park has been winterized and Jory has taken the necessary commercial applicators tests. The banners have been taken down off of Main St. and several will need to be repaired. The pump in the boiler in the Legion building was fixed. Discussion on when it was last replaced and the cost involved with replacing it again. It was decided to table replacing the boiler until spring. Discussion on a scissor lift vs a bucket truck or forks for the payloader. Forks for the payloader would require two people to complete a task but having either a scissor lift or a bucket truck would require only one person. The State is requiring all Cities to test for PFAS in the water system. The cost of this test will be covered by the State.

• Auditor's report: Discussion on the water pump Agri Industries ordered for the City. Auditor will call and talk to the salesperson. Discussion on selling the old lap top computer. Council felt there would not be much value to it. Received \$21,564.99 reimbursement from the State Forestry for the 2024 tree grant.

All monthly and quarterly reports have been completed. Auditor will call MDU again about the street light on 4th Ave. E and Grove St. not working.

Lots 16, 17 and W1/2 of 18 Block 7 OT are up for back taxes. Discussion on whether or not to leave the siren turned off. It was decided to leave it off.

The GovCard system to accept online payments is on the website. Auditor spoke with the city attorney about back

paying from the beginning of the year concerning the .40 cent pay increase to take place of a yearly bonus. He said it was legal but it would require quite a bit of work and did not feel it would be worth the time and expense.

Old business: Ordinances, tabled.

New business: Paving estimate for additional work reviewed.

Motion to adjourn by N. Sandberg, second by J. Ruby. All in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting Dec. 1, 2025, 7:00 pm

Bills for October 2025: Burke County Sheriff \$400.00; Burke Divide Electric 23.00;

Burke County Tribune: \$114.47; Circle Sanitation 3984.00; City Sales Tax 2515.61; Core & Main 305.22; Ehlike, Jory 50.00; F306 15.00; Fed 494 4077.6; First District Health 105.00; H&H Coating 60,400.90, 60,400.90; Hawkins 991.45; Job Service 24.87; Kemper 12,096.90; Knutson, Lisa 50.00; Liberty Ins. 2383.00; Lignite Oil 402.92; MacDonald, Mary Kaye 50.00; MDU 1395.40; NCC Ray 303.61; One Call 36.85; Payroll \$1871.10, 1890.58, 124.67, 1852.76, 1871.18, 430.22, 1635.12, 403.22, 29.56; Sewer Passbook 2600.00; The Computer Store 85.00; VISA 6095.88; Jack Sawyer Paving 272,500.00

Lisa Knutson, City Auditor

November 12, 2025

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Game and Fish Administrative Rules Hearing Set Nov. 19

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department will hold a public hearing to address proposed rules changes to Title 30 of the North Dakota Administrative Code. The hearing is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Nov. 19 at the agency's main office in Bismarck.

The purpose and explanation of the proposed rule changes are listed below.

Chapter 30-03-06. Section 30-03-06-05. Water prohibited. An amendment to update the requirements for the transportation of water.

Chapter 30-04-03. Section 30-04-03-14. Initial application