

MINUTES OF EDDY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EDDY COUNTY COURTHOUSE
September 2, 2025, 8:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Glenda Collier, Chairperson. Commissioners Dave Gehrtz, James F. Allmaras, and State's Attorney Ashley Lies present. Nathan Price representing the New Rockford Transcript was also present.

Chairperson Glenda Collier began the meeting by leading the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dave Gehrtz made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of adding VSO update on veteran transportation, Lake Region Health Unit, new member and Commission Chair Duties. James F. Allmaras seconded the motion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

James F. Allmaras made a motion to approve the August 5, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, the August 11, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes and August 29, 2025 Special Meeting/Hearing Minutes. Dave Gehrtz seconded the motion, all were in favor. Motion carried.

After review of the financials and expenditure and revenue budgets for the month of August 2025, a motion was made by James F. Allmaras to approve both the financials and budgets. The motion was seconded by Dave Gehrtz. All were in favor, motion carried.

Dave Gehrtz made a motion to approve the following bills, it was seconded by James F. Allmaras. Roll call vote: Glenda Collier, James Allmaras, and Dave Gehrtz voted aye. The motion carried.

David Allmaras	65.20
Jesse Anderson	400.33
Hailey K Bachmeier	23.24
Bank Forward	27.60
Butler Machinery Company	1,640.93
Central City H2o	194.00
Cenex Fleetcard	208.84
Close Construction Comp Inc	4,570.00
City of Sheyenne	1,110.13
City of New Rockford	17,964.52
New Rockford City Park Dist	1,282.25
Dakota Dust-Tex Inc	167.00
Do It Best	145.82
Eddy County Treasurer	2,573.00
Tolna Fire Protect District	136.46
Garrison Div Cons District	311.48
Robert Hanson	54.00
Insure Forward	495.00
Jp Attachments	1,000.00
Shauna Laber	47.00
Lamottes Paint And Glass	209.53

Leaf	256.04
Nd Public Employees Retirement	34,371.62
New Rockford Utility Services	334.78
Otter Tail Power Co	54.85
Stuart Richter	40.00
Levi Rue	60.30
Dakota Prairie Pub School	9.31
New Rockford Sheyenne School	4,317.58
Midkota School	578.28
Warwick School	69.95
Soil Conservation	421.80
State Treasurer	157.74
Truenorth Steel	6,930.40
Paradise Township	1,124.63
Cherry Lake Township	771.00
Columbia Township	1,387.91
Pleasant Prairie Township	1,498.79
Superior Township	2,047.94
Rosefield Township	1,794.65
Colvin Township	1,418.15
Lake Washington Township	1,165.69
Tiffany Township	1,130.56
Sheldon Township	965.19
New Rockford Township	2,051.63
Munster Township	1,775.61
Freeborn Township	1,284.96
Eddy Township	1,156.37
Hillsdale Township	1,160.41
Bush Township	1,530.19
Gates Township	1,626.81
Grandfield Township	1,197.08
Walter, Lucas	76.40
Water Resource	104.36
Alan S Furnace Service Inc	240.00
David Allmaras	65.20
Bakers Dozen	45.00
Briss Oil Co	50.00
Elan Financial Services	3,284.52
Cash And Carry Lumber	41.24
Central Business Systems Inc	70.00
Cendak Cooperative	19,181.86
Coast To Coast Solutions	122.50
Cole Papers Inc	106.52
City Of Sheyenne	110.10
Dartangon St John	200.00
Dauenhauer Diesel Repair	163.89
Robert Hanson	54.00

Information Technology Dept	1,356.50
Interstate Engineering Inc	8,998.00
Jamestown Communications Inc	100.00
Shauna Laber	47.00
Lake Region Law Enforcement	630.00
Linderman Construction Inc	1,045.92
Linde Gas Equipment Inc.	105.88
Melinda Martin	159.10
Meehan Machine	51.92
NDSU Extension Service	10,455.17
Nd Telephone Co	885.81
Napa Auto Parts	782.23
Nodak Electric Cooperative	71.78
Northern Plains Electric Coop	279.00
Otter Tail Power Co	155.36
Linderman Construction, Inc.	2,100.00
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase	500.00
Stuart Richter	40.00
Rockin Fitness	600.00
Levi Rue	60.30
Becki Schumacher	29.97
Stutsman County Auditor	325.00
Necie Swart	200.00
Transcript Publishing	1,333.44
Walter, Lucas	76.40
Western Dakota Energy Assoc	1,500.00
Todd Weber	15.00
Yri Electric	7,175.00
Payroll	73,490.46
At T Mobility	534.42
Central Plains Water District	74.48
Cenex Fleetcard	72.92
Tom Gilbertson And Sons	12,902.00
Haley Auto Repair Llc	122.54
Interstate Power Systems, Inc	686.35
Ashley Lies	464.40
Messner Gravel Llc	6,600.00
Montana Dakota Utilities Co	224.32
North Central Rental Leasing	5,000.00
Kristy O Connor	192.13
Office Of Attorney Gen - 1250	310.00
Otter Tail Power Co	893.44
Electronic Federal Tax Pay Sys	23,416.75
Aflac	145.21
Nd Public Employees Retirement	914.00
Nd Public Employees Retirement	15,492.55
Colonial Life	461.25

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp	248.85
Pitney Bowes Inc	201.00
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase	500.00
Stryker	1,185.00
Transcript Publishing	90.00
Donna Young	141.24
Cash And Carry Lumber	7,870.00
City Of New Rockford	7,235.86
New Rockford City Park Dist	933.56
Do It Best	154.85
Eddy County Council On Aging	201.31
Tolna Fire Protect District	80.83
Warwick Fire Protect Dist	403.91
Garrison Div Cons District	314.86
Lamottes Paint And Glass	159.99
Ashley Lies	110.00
Dakota Prairie Pub School	240.36
New Rockford Sheyenne School	3,469.81
Midkota School	1,912.46
Warwick School	470.74
Soil Conservation	369.71
State Treasurer	26.20
Paradise Township	836.61
Cherry Lake Township	277.12
Columbia Township	414.64
Pleasant Prairie Township	386.81
Superior Township	519.59
Rosefield Township	456.09
Colvin Township	630.98
Lake Washington Township	470.28
Tiffany Township	348.85
Sheldon Township	294.44
New Rockford Township	767.04
Munster Township	505.06
Freeborn Township	444.54
Eddy Township	310.75
Hillsdale Township	357.54
Bush Township	422.12
Gates Township	592.53
Grandfield Township	411.73

State's Attorney Ashley Lies reported that a formal request was given to the Attorney General's office regarding conflict of interest in regards to changing the Zoning Ordinances. Lies will share outcome from request.

Todd Weber, County Road Superintendent reported that it is time to get notice to the paper on mowing of ditches in townships.

Old Business:

An application for a Special Permit to sell alcoholic beverages for Hanson's Bar, LLC at Kulsrud's barn on September 13, 2025. James F. Allmaras made a motion to approve the Special Permit. Dave Gehrtz seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion on release form for the use of Warsing Dam for a Cross Country Meet on September 8, 2025 was discussed. State's Attorney will prepare an indemnification agreement to be signed by New Rockford-Sheyenne School and Eddy County.

Dave Gehrtz made a motion to approve the event with the understanding that both parties will sign the indemnification agreement prepared by SA Lies. James F. Allmaras seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The VSO travel/vehicle for the purpose of transporting veterans for medical appointments was discussed. Glenda Collier reported that she has been in contact with the State and other counties to try and find a solution.

New Business:

The decision on the four appeals from the Zoning Ordinances Changes were discussed. Glenda Collier made a motion to rescind the decision to strike 10.1.6 from the Zoning Ordinances. There was a call for second, there was none. Motion died Dave Gehrtz made a motion to affirm the decision as adopted in the Zoning Ordinance change to strike 10.1.6 from Zoning Ordinances. James F. Allmaras seconded the motion. Motion passes with majority vote.

Glenda Collier made the motion to rescind the decision on Section 10.1.5 setback section of the Eddy County Zoning Ordinance is to be amended to follow the State of North Dakota Century Code 17-04 Wind Energy Property Rights and North Dakota Century Code 49-22 Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act requirements for setback requirements. There was a call for second, there was none. Motion dies. Dave Gehrtz made a motion to affirm decision as adopted on Section 10.1.5 setback section of the Eddy County Zoning Ordinance is to be amended to follow the State of North Dakota Century Code 17-04 Wind Energy Property Rights and North Dakota Century Code 49-22 Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act requirements for setback requirements. James F. Allmaras seconded the motion. Motion passes with majority vote.

A journal entry was presented. James F. Allmaras made a motion to approve the journal entry moving \$539.20 from 1000-4101-312 Comm Travel to 1000-4104-312 to Recorder/Clerk Travel. James F. Allmaras made a motion to approve the journal entry as presented. Dave Gehrtz seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Association of Counties convention was discussed, October 26 – October 28. Glenda Collier is signing up and planning to attend, Dave Gehrtz and James F. Allmaras were not certain if they were going at this point. There will be opportunity for ILG credits with the convention.

Lake Region Health Unit appointments were discussed. Glenda Collier had a name of an interested party as did James F. Allmaras. State's Attorney Ashley Lies suggested posting the available position and accept applications and make a decision at the next regular meeting. As both Glenda Collier and Jamie F. Allmaras are serving, a decision will need to be made as to who will remain on board and who will be replaced, this decision will also be made the next regular meeting.

Chairman duties were addressed. James F. Allmaras made a request to Glenda Collier to step down as chairperson. There was discussion on matter. James F. Allmaras made a motion to appoint Dave Gehrtz as chairperson. No second was called for or made. It was suggested to table the issue for next meeting.

Announcements: none.

With no further business, Glenda Collier adjourned the meeting at 8:53 P.M.

The next regular meeting will be October 7, 2025 at 8:00 A.M.

ATTEST:


Becki Schumacher, Auditor


Glenda Collier, Chairperson