

# **Wells County Commissioner's Special Meeting Minutes**

## **January 9, 2026**

A special meeting (*telephonic*) held Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, was called to order by Chairman Dockter at 8:02 AM. Present at the meeting were Stan Buxa, Dennis Dockter, Bryan Lautt, Danny Maxwell, Brian Miller, Ivy Brye, Jana Mogren, and Daniel Stutlien.

The only two items on the agenda were the bills to be paid and assessor responsibilities. BM (*M*), DM (*S*) to approve the bills as presented. Unanimously carried. Regarding assessor responsibilities, SB (*M*), BM (*S*) to charge \$150 plus postage for the seven townships (*Bilodeau, Bull Moose, Cathay, Chaseley, Hawksnest, Lynn & Silver Lake*), and the two cities (*Bowdon & Hurdsfield*) \$250 plus postage to process assessment notices completed by WC. Unanimously carried.

The regular February WC Commission meeting will be Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 8:00 AM. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 AM.

### **Jan. 2026 General**

Wells County Treasurer	\$122.70	Central Supplies
ND Envelope Company	\$941.50	Central Supplies
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc. Reserve Account	\$10,000.00	Postage
NDTC	\$657.19	Telephone
Wells County Treasurer	\$358.21	Telephone
Fessenden City	\$445.87	Countywide Utilities
Otter Tail	\$1,559.86	Countywide Utilities
Wells County Treasurer	\$81.35	Bank Charges
Dakota Dust-Tex	\$214.76	Courthouse & KTL Maintenance
BW Electric	\$502.63	Courthouse Maintenance
Fargo Glass & Paint	\$440.00	Courthouse Maintenance
Wells County Treasurer	\$101.88	Courthouse & KTL Maintenance
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$7.59	Courthouse & KTL Maintenance
Kelby Houchin	\$550.00	Courthouse & KTL Maintenance
ND Dept. of Environmental Quality	\$420.00	Boiler Inspections
G & R Controls, Inc.	\$2,732.00	Courthouse & KTL Maintenance
Taylor Print Impressions	\$1,826.49	Elections
Herald Press	\$148.94	Legal Publications
NDTC	\$100.73	Technology
ITD	\$2,987.85	Technology
Wells County Treasurer	\$199.00	Technology
Software Innovations	\$7,350.00	Technology
NDACo Resources Group	\$34,023.00	Technology
Dell Marketing LP	\$121.30	Technology
Cabin Creations	\$115.00	Bereavement
Western Products Inc.	\$1,000.00	FH & Fairground Maint.
Danny Maxwell	\$148.40	Travel/Mileage

Stan Buxa	\$276.50	Travel/Mileage
Brian Miller	\$270.20	Travel/Mileage
Dennis Dockter	\$501.90	Travel/Mileage
Bryan Lautt	\$539.00	Travel/Mileage
ND County Auditors Association	\$400.00	Dues/Registration Fees
Wells County Treasurer	\$71.04	Ink supplies/Maint. Contracts
ND County Auditors Association	\$400.00	Dues/Registration Fees
Blue 360 Media	\$253.89	Law Books
ND County Recorders Association	\$500.00	Dues/Registration Fees
ND State Treasurer	\$70.00	Marriage Licenses
Carrie Krause	\$126.00	Travel/Mileage
Jana Mogren	\$227.50	Travel/Mileage
Vanguard Appraisals	\$8,025.00	Sidwell/Vanguard
Kayme Heintz	\$250.00	Custodian Health Ins
Kreiter Autoworks, Inc.	\$1,816.61	Travel/Mileage/Veh.Maint.
Wells County Treasurer	\$1,269.75	Travel/Mileage/Veh.Maint.
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$249.74	Travel/Mileage/Veh.Maint.
Wells County Treasurer	\$105.00	Sheriff Promo
Modern Marketing	\$1,546.69	Sheriff Promo Supplies
NDTC	\$66.50	Telephone
Wells County Treasurer	\$114.21	Telephone
Tammy Roehrich	\$28.00	Travel/Mileage
Otter Tail	\$46.48	Utilities
Fargo Glass & Paint	\$19,566.00	Festival Hall
Weigelt Refrigeration	\$1,070.86	Festival Hall/Fair
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$619.20	Fuel
Fessenden City	\$323.23	Festival Hall/Fair Utilities
Otter Tail	\$763.98	Festival Hall/Fair Utilities
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	\$106,653.53	

### **HB 1066**

KLJ Engineering, LLC	\$16,228.04	HB 1066
NDDOT	\$18,436.91	HB 1066
Northern Improvement Co.	\$2,271.04	HB 1066
Flint Hills Resources	\$15,870.91	HB 1066
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	\$52,806.90	

### **911**

Janelle Pepple	\$409.80	Travel/Mileage
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### **Jail & Transp.**

HACTC	\$154.23	Jail & Transport Medication
Stutsman Co. Correction Center	\$1,500.00	Jail & Transport Prison Board
HACTC	\$7,220.00	Jail & Transport Prison Board
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	\$8,874.23	

### **Co. Agent**

Leaf	\$495.41	Copier Lease & Maint.
NDTC	\$122.12	Telephone
Otter Tail	\$44.25	Utilities
	\$661.78	

### Social Services

Wells County Treasurer	\$30.00	Client Support
Wells County Treasurer	\$106.13	Fuel/Foster Care
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$164.94	Fuel/Foster Care
Wells County Treasurer	\$75.00	Dues/Reg Fees/Child Protect. Serv.
Wells County Treasurer	\$32.72	Fuel/Child Protect. Serv.
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$31.93	Fuel/Child Protect. Serv.
CenDak Cooperative-New Rockford	\$33.92	Fuel/Child Protect. Serv.
Wells County Treasurer	\$153.82	Contracted Services
Wells County Treasurer	\$97.24	Family Social Worker/Fuel
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$61.68	Family Social Worker/Fuel
Vicky Calheim	\$250.00	In Home Care - Health Ins.
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$225.29	In Home Care/Fuel
Patriot Fuels	\$15.53	In Home Care/Fuel
Little Mart	\$33.25	In Home Care/Fuel
Leaf	\$312.00	Contracted Services
4th Corporation	\$140.00	Contracted Services
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services	\$81.90	Contracted Services
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Wells County Treasurer	\$100.00	Contracted Services
Advanced Business Methods	\$433.46	Contracted Services
Wells County Treasurer	\$30.00	Fuel
Patriot Fuels	\$124.47	Fuel
Dakota Central	\$172.46	Telephone
NDTC	\$601.20	Telephone
Wells County Treasurer	\$434.94	Telephone
Central City H20+	\$135.00	Zone Admin Support/Misc
Evans Funeral Home	\$3,500.00	BA Burial Account
ITD	\$116.46	Zone Admin Support/IT Other
NDACo Resources Group	\$960.00	Zone Admin Support/IT Other
Wells County Treasurer	\$21.19	Meals/Foster Care
	\$8,474.53	

### Weed Control

Kelly Muscha	\$262.27	Salary - Board Meeting
Dale Schmitz	\$213.14	Salary - Board Meeting
Kyle Alstad	\$275.60	Salary - Board Meeting
Donna Rau	\$1,266.18	Salary - Employee
Dale Schmitz	\$240.00	Dues/Registration Fees
US Treasury	\$316.11	WC/Withholding
	\$2,573.30	

**Hwy Tax**

Frank A Faul	\$250.00	Health Insurance
Kotaco Fuel & Propane	\$3,269.16	Fuel
Harvey Oil Co.	\$2,398.86	Fuel
Farmers Union Oil-Fessenden	\$3,770.20	Fuel
Patzer Truck Repair	\$166.52	Machinery Repairs & Supplies
Gooseneck Implement	\$180.27	Machinery Repairs & Supplies
Power Plan	\$8,889.10	Machinery Repairs & Supplies
County Line Truck Repair, LLC	\$430.58	Machinery Repairs & Supplies
Butler Machinery	\$6,452.88	Machinery Repairs & Supplies
Wells County Treasurer	\$1,639.67	Supplies
Tracys Market	\$35.10	Supplies
Lemer's ACE & Rental	\$134.04	Supplies
Linde Gas & Equipment	\$149.74	Supplies
NDTC	\$145.72	Telephone
Timothy Schmiess	\$50.40	Travel/Mileage
Wells County Treasurer	\$189.58	Travel/Mileage
Doug Mertz	\$88.20	Travel/Mileage
Fessenden City	\$155.49	Utilities
Harvey City	\$64.20	Utilities
Sykeston City	\$98.00	Utilities
Northern Plains Electric	\$291.80	Utilities
Central Plains Water	\$252.18	Utilities
Kim's Septic Service	\$450.00	Utilities
Otter Tail	\$387.64	Utilities
Wells County Treasurer	\$336.23	Utilities
Double M Sanitation	\$365.00	Utilities
Verendrye Electric	\$589.84	Utilities
Cathay City	\$190.00	Utilities
Wells County Treasurer	\$8,950.00	Trailer
	\$40,370.40	

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Office Of Attorney General

\$629.00 Scram Fees

\$221,453.47

**Approved:**

Dennis T. Dockter,  
Wells County Commission Chairman

**Attest:**

Daniel W. Stutlien,  
Wells County Auditor