

**Wells County Commissioner's Special Meeting Minutes**  
**November 22, 2023**

A special meeting of the WC Commission was held Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, and was called to order by Chairman Buxa at 10:03 AM. Present at the meeting were Stan Buxa, Dennis Dockter, Bryan Lutt, Leon Klocke, Danny Maxwell, Brent Keller, Mike Alveshere, Tom Alveshere, Terry Ambers, Brian Dinger, Lonnie Eichele, Michael Faul, Chad Friese, Mark Hovland, Gerald Klindworth, David Lutt, Mychal Neumiller, Roger Skiftun, Jon Tebelius, John Woods, Kent Indvik and Jason Mayfield of Wold Engineering, and Daniel Stutlien.

The only item on the agenda was Wells County Highway #5, the 19 mile paved road which links Harvey to Hamberg. After the meeting was called to order, Jason Mayfield of Wold Engineering shared information of the Flex Transportation Fund Program. Wold then went on to discuss the preliminary project possibilities and fiscal estimates. According to records, this highway was recommended for reconstruction in 2013, so it is well past due. At this point, the only alternative to reconstructing the highway is grinding the highway up to gravel. The deadline to apply for the Flex Transportation Fund Program is December 31<sup>st</sup>. Stakeholders were encouraged to submit letters of support and potential financial backing to the Wells County Auditor's Office (700 Railway St. N #37, Fessenden, ND 58438) by December 10<sup>th</sup>. The hope is to bid the project in Fall 2024 with construction in '25.

Q & A ensued for those in attendance.

The upcoming December meeting of the WC Commissioners will be held Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 AM. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 AM.

**Approved:**

  
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**Stanley Buxa,**  
**Wells County Commission Chairman**

**Attest:**

  
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**Daniel W. Stutlien,**  
**Wells County Auditor**