RICHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 19, 2025

The Richland County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 A.M. on August 19, 2025 at the Richland County Courthouse with Commissioners Terry Goerger, Nathan Berseth, Rollie Ehlert and Perry Miller. Commissioner Tim Campbell was absent. Others included Administrative Personnel Fossum and South, State's Attorney Kummer, Jesse Sedler, and visitors Alan Dahlman and Donovan Buck.

Commissioner Goerger called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Miller to approve the agenda. Vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alan Dahlman and Donovan Buck were present from the Richland County Historical Museum. Dahlman stated that the repairs in the museum are complete; the total cost was \$38,500. Commissioner Berseth informed Dahlman that the JDA approved a grant for the Historical Museum at their last meeting. Dahlman thanked the Board of Commissioners for assisting in obtaining funding for the repairs at the Historical Museum.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Sedler informed the Commission that work on the Helendale Bridge started Monday.

A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Ehlert to accept and sign the supplemental construction engineering agreement from Interstate Engineering for the Helendale Bridge. Vote was unanimous.

Sedler gave the following updates regarding Highway activity:

- -paving is complete, working on tidying up shoulders
- -painting to start in approx. one week
- -CR 1, 8, 8E, 10N & 23 chip seal project to start Wednesday or Thursday of this week

MISC/CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Interstate Engineering regarding planned projects in the City of Wahpeton for 2026 & 2027 – Fossum will respond.

Correspondence from Go Rail, a non-profit grassroots organization, looking for signatures of support.

Correspondence from ND Protection & Advocacy Project – four of Richland County's voting locations will be inspected for accessibility. Inspections are being carried out state-wide.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Fossum informed the Commission that the Secretary of State's office would need a decision soon regarding voting precincts for 2026. Recent legislation requires school districts to have bond related questions on the county ballot. A motion was made by Berseth and seconded by Ehlert to approve changing voting precincts to match school districts in Richland County. Vote was unanimous.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

September

- 2 Commission Meeting
- 16 Commission Meeting Final Budget Hearing

October

- 7 Commission Meeting
- 21 Commission Meeting
- 26-28 NDACo Annual Conference

November

- 4 Commission Meeting
- 18 Commission Meeting

Reports Filed: Tax & Property Department – Revenue Voucher for July 2025.

Motion to adjourn by Miller. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 A.M.

ATTEST:	CHAIRPERSON
Sandy Fossum	Tim Campbell
Auditor/Administrator	Board of Richland County Commissioners