

# Public Notices

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## SYKESTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 11, 2024

Present: Rick Richter, Dennis Johnson, Bob Stringer, Richard Hatch, Vic Park-call in, and Kathy Lesmeister.

Emily Young stopped prior to the start of the meeting to ask a question about the liquor permit application. She said she would turn the notarized form into the auditor the next day.

Minutes were read and approved with the following corrections: Brad stated that the Fire Department is a Fire Protection District and Dennis reported about adding gravel on the lake road from the stop sign to the dam; 1st by Dennis and 2nd by Rick.

Bills and finances were presented and approved as read; 1st by Dennis and 2nd by Rick.

May Income: Garbage fund \$3780.31, General fund \$1066.44, Highway fund \$704.81, Maintenance \$756.00, Sewer fund \$420.00, Water fund \$1250.18, and Water Tower \$2100.00.

June Expenses: Central Pains 145156gal \$900.94, Otertail \$625.47, DCT \$43.19, ND Health Dept \$14.00, Double M Sanitation \$2343.75, Independent \$231.16, Vic Park \$46.17, Dennis Johnson \$92.35, Kathy Lesmeister \$554.10, Jon Oatis \$794.31, Postage \$11.27, Arrowwood \$1112.81, and Rural Water Association \$265.00.

Old Business: The Game and Fish Dept. returned the signed agreement for the Dam Project grant.

Dennis will contact the County so they can grade the road. After the road has been graded, then Pat Biel will be contacted so he can start hauling gravel. The route that the dump trucks would take was discussed in hopes to keep the trucks from having to go thru the city anymore than necessary. The water usage was discussed again. It was reported that there were no leaks at this residence so the next step would be to replace the meter and reader. Rick will talk to the resident. The charge for the new meter will be added to the water bill over a 12 month payment plan if requested.

New Business: Vic asked what the process was for deciding when the City would start mowing the yards that were not kept up. Rick explained the process and that the bill would be added to the property tax as an assessment. It was stated that there is nothing in the ordinance dealing with this issue. It was suggested to send a certified letter to the resident that the lawn needs to be kept up and wait till notified about who would be taking care of the upkeep.

Rick has been asking the appropriate people about whether the mixer in the water tower should be turned off for the summer. He has been getting both yes and no answers and asked Vic what his thoughts were and he said to shut it off.

The City received a notice from the NDRIF that there would be an increase in the yearly rate.

It was discussed that maybe the City should think about getting a roll off dumpster annually.

The 2023 beginning and end fund balances were looked at and will be discussed more when the budget meeting is held. The Oath of Office for the new members will be held on the same day as the budget meeting. Also discussed was how in depth of a background check should be done on the liquor permit applicants and should it be done yearly. Motion was made to do a background check with the local police department on all the applicants yearly whether its a new applicant or a renewal; 1st by Dennis and 2nd by Vic. Also discussed was adding the cost of the background check into the cost of the permit.

This was tabled till the City sees how much the cost will be.

Next City Council meeting is July 9th 2024 at 6 pm.

The Oath of Office and Budget meeting is June 27th 2024 at 6pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm  
Kathy Lesmeister, Auditor  
Rich Richter, Mayor,  
Sykeston City Council  
(Publish August 12, 2024)

## 'Keeping Kids Safe' August 19 at Glenfield

The N.D. Bureau of Criminal Investigation will educate parents and caregivers about online safety on Monday, August 19 from 5 - 5:45 p.m. at the Midkota School in Glenfield during their Back-to-School Night.

This session will cover the importance of open communication and tactics to stay informed and engaged.

A meal will also be provided starting at 4:30 p.m., with childcare available from 5-6 p.m. Contact the school at (701) 785-2126 by August 16, if you are interested in the meal.

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## NOTICE NOT TO ENCROACH/OBSTRUCT COUNTY ROADWAY Foster County Board of Commissioners

It has been noticed that prior farming operations have been conducted upon various lands within Foster County where the view of a roadway or intersection may have been obstructed by rocks, fences, or crops that have been placed or were allowed to grow within the rights of way of county roads. The landowner or tenant could be held liable for damages arising from an accident occurring within the obstructed roadway.

In following North Dakota Century Code Section 24-05-03, the Board of Foster County Commissioners intends to send out notices to landowners who encroach upon the rights of way of county highways (roads). Any landowner who receives this notice shall have twenty days to remedy the damages of the encroachment. If the landowner fails to properly remedy the encroachment, the landowner will be liable to the county for damages resulting in the county's remedy of the encroachment. Each landowner who fails to correct the encroachment on their own will be invoiced for actual costs incurred by the county to remedy the encroachment. If the landowner fails to pay for the costs, those costs shall become a part of the taxes to be levied against the land for the ensuing year and shall be collected in the same manner as other real estate taxes are collected.

Please take notice, when doing any planting or fieldwork, you are urged to read, follow and respect NDCC 24-05-03 which prohibits the planting/seeding of any crops or to allow any obstructions to be placed within county and township road rights of way. County road rights of way are defined as being at a location which is 33 feet from the centerline of any county road with a 3 to 1 inslope (foreslope) ratio, while farm to market road rights of way may extend up to 75 feet from the centerline of the roadway. Right of way violations on federal aid roadways could jeopardize federal funding needed to maintain these roadways.

Right of way widths vary within the county. Please contact Foster County officials for information to verify compliance.

- Road Supt. Nate Monson (701) 652-3926
- Commissioner Pat Copenhaver (701) 652-5286
- Commissioner Alan Scanson (701) 307-0685
- Commissioner David Utke (701) 652-5001
- Commissioner Scott Beumer (701) 653-5419
- Commissioner Becky Hagel (701) 652-5741

## HOUSEHOLD MOVING SALE

Thursday, August 15  
1:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Friday, August 16  
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, August 17  
9:00 a.m. - Noon

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## LAND FOR SALE

### SYKESTON TOWNSHIP, WELLS COUNTY

The Elaine Schaack Estate will receive bids for the sale of the following described tract of land located in Wells County, North Dakota:

TRACT 1: Township 146 North, Range 69 West, Wells County, North Dakota  
Section 23: NE ¼ (less 0.42 acre Otertail site)

TRACT 2: Township 146 North, Range 69 West, Wells County, North Dakota  
Section 24: N½ and SE¼ (less 14.67 acre farmsite and 0.76 acre tract)

TRACT 3: Township 146 North, Range 69 West, Wells County, North Dakota  
Section 25: SW ¼

**BIDS:** Persons interested in submitting bids on any or all of these tracts are asked to submit written bids to Elaine Schaack Estate by forwarding such bids to Thomas J. Aljets, Attorney at Law, 1405 Main Street, P.O. Box 301, Carrington, North Dakota 58421. Bids may be submitted up to August 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Bids are to be in writing and signed (please include your address and phone number) and for a total amount (not by the acre.) The highest bidder as determined by seller will be allowed to raise their bids at an oral bidding to be scheduled.

**TERMS:** The successful bidders shall be required to enter into a contract and deposit an amount equal to ten (10) percent of the purchase price as earnest money and the balance of the purchase price shall be paid to seller within thirty (30) days upon delivery of a Personal Representative's Deed. In the event the successful bidder shall fail to consummate the purchase, the seller shall retain the earnest money agreed upon as liquidated damages for such failure. The seller shall provide the purchaser with an abstract of title continued to a recent date. The seller will reserve all oil, gas, coal and other minerals as owned by the seller. Seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason whatsoever. Seller reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities. All sales will be subject to all covenants, restrictions, utility agreements, easements and rights of way of record or ascertainable by visual inspection. This property is leased for the crop year 2024 and the purchaser will be entitled to take possession of the cropland upon removal of the 2024 crops. The purchaser will obtain possession of any pasture or hayland in 2025. All 2024 rentals will be retained by seller.

(Soil maps and aerial photos may be obtained by contacting Thomas J. Aljets, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 301, Carrington, ND 58421. Telephone: (701) 652-3280. E-mail: taljets@daktel.com.)

## Want to write to the Governor?

Gov. Doug Burgum  
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Bismarck, ND 58501-0001

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