

Wells County Commissioner's Special Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2026

A special meeting (*telephonic*) held Wednesday, April 15th, was called to order by Chairman Dockter at 8:00 AM. Present at the meeting were Stan Buxa, Dennis Dockter, Bryan Lutt, Danny Maxwell, Brian Miller, Ivy Brye, Brent Keller, Richard Lies, and Daniel Stutlien.

The agenda had three items to consider including approving a bid for the bridge project on WC #1, a ditch clean-out and drainage proposal for WC #6 south of Bremen, and final consideration of the WC Road & Bridge Fund education/information regarding the levy that will appear on this summer's Primary Election ballot.

SB (*M*), DM (*S*) to approve the bid from Industrial Builders Inc. in the amount of \$1,365,698.78 for Project BRC-5219(053) to replace the bridge on WC #1 three miles North of Fessenden (*see resolution below*). Unanimously carried.

Regarding the cleaning of the ditch South of Bremen, Keller explained the project and shared that a culvert will need to be lowered to accommodate the water flow. Further, Richard Lies agreed to the placement of the silt removed to be placed on his property. DM (*M*), BM (*S*) to approve the Schimelfenig Construction estimate of \$11,250 to clean the ditch, and \$3,500 to lower the culvert. Unanimously carried.

The final agenda item was the information regarding the upcoming ballot issue regarding the mill levy for the WC Road & Bridge Fund. It was the consensus of the Commission to release the information compiled by the WC Auditor as presented.

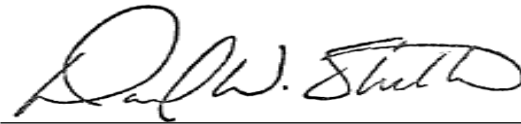
The regular May WC Commission meeting will be Tuesday, May 5th, 2026 at 8:00 AM. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 AM.

Approved:



Dennis T. Dockter, Commission Chair

Attest:



Daniel W. Stutlien, County Auditor

Wells County Resolution No. 20261002

A Resolution of the Wells County Board of Commissioners

Re: Bridge Replacement Project BRC-5219(053)

WHEREAS, the bid in the amount of \$1,365,698.78 from Industrial Builders Inc. received in the bid opening of April 10, 2026 for Project BRC-5219(053) was the low bid received.

WHEREAS, this bid is considered reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of **WELLS** County will award to Industrial Builders Inc. the contract for Project BRC-5219(053) and hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign said contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County shall reimburse the North Dakota Department of Transportation for any payments made under this contract, which are not collectible from the Federal Highway Administration.

Passed and adopted in Wells County this 15th day of April, 2026.

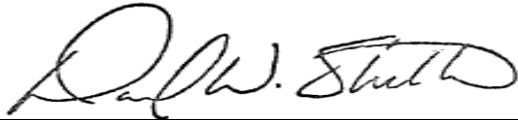
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By:

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Dennis T. Dockter, Commission Chair

Attest:

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Daniel W. Stutlien, County Auditor