

**Mercer County Commission Special Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 12:14 p.m. by Chairman Gene Wolf. Present were Commissioners Jamee Folk, Mark Pierce, Rick Bauman, Casey Voigt, Auditor Carmen Reed, and Dan Arens of the Hazen Star. Others present during the meeting were States Attorney Todd Schwarz.

Voigt requested this special meeting because of the efficiency of the way board meeting is conducted. First concern is the recording. Board discussed along with States Attorney Todd Schwarz the positive and negatives of the meeting recording.

The board then discussed the way the agenda was set up. A consensus was made to put vouchers under other business and do them at the end of the meeting rather than at the beginning. If there was no specific need for a time, then all other items will go under other business. Also discussed splitting agenda with old and new items.

Discussed possibility of having meetings that allows all board members a vetting process for any concerns regarding other members of the board, in a positive light with focus on working more efficiently.

Schwarz suggested that no further items be discussed at this meeting due to the limited meeting topic, but advised members to put them on the next regular meeting agenda to be discussed there.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the boardroom of the Mercer County Government Center in Stanton, North Dakota. The meetings can be viewed online at www.mercercountynd.com.

Approved: _____
Gene Wolf, Chairman

Attest: _____
Carmen Reed, Auditor