

## Burleigh County Public Hearings

Redesignating Elective Office of Auditor/Treasurer to Appointed

Date	Name	Approve (Yes/No)	Notes
3/29/2025	Becker, Gaylynn	Undecided	
3/22/2025	Berg, Melinda	Neutral	Committee personnel paid? How long active?
3/22/2025	Berg, Melinda	Neutral?	Timeline for analysis? Staff hasn't seen data which has been compiled at a Commission level. Munson: April 7th will have timeframe.
3/3/2025	Berger, John	Undecided	
3/22/2025	Bernhardt, David	No	Weed Board
4/7/2025	Cermak, Kelly	Yes	Success of any business depends on a CFO, hire additional staff in lieu of cost of errors made, Mark should resign
3/17/2025	Connelly, Mike	No	
3/29/2025	Disney, Robert	No	
4/7/2025	Engelhardt, Collin	No	Put it up for a vote if you want change, frustrating for residents, voted on it already
3/17/2025	Engelhardt, Kyle	No	Can Mark speak
4/7/2025	Feland, Clint	No	Separate Auditor and Treasurer position
3/3/2025	Fraase, John	No	
3/3/2025	Gawrylow, Dustin	Depends	
3/22/2025	Gawrylow, Dustin	No	HRC audio played, expect citizens to get petition to put on ballot. Why didn't Commission have better handle on hiring Finance position? Robin hired as underfill and provided time to get CPA and did not obtain CPA. Justin resigned before obtaining CPA. Now have qualified CPA.
3/17/2025	Gross, Joe	Yes	Wanted pile of issued released
4/7/2025	Haakenson, Marlan	No	Defend right to vote, separate positions, encourage citizens to vote out County Commissioners if don't follow the will of the people
3/3/2025	Heilman, Greg	No	
4/7/2025	Hilborn, Desiree	No	
3/3/2025	Holverson, Laurie	No	
3/17/2025	Hooker, Jonathan	No	Lengthy conversation with Commissioner Munson
3/22/2025	Jans, David	Neutral	Not a power grab from Commission
3/22/2025	Jans, Debbie	Neutral	111,000 salary without benefits, signed own raise
3/3/2025	Jarratt, Kay	No	
3/17/2025	Jensen, Travis	No	Commission has lost control

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4/7/2025	Jensen, Travis	No	A lot of improvement beyond Auditor, affecting staff, waiting for a leader, part of security is not revealing process (set Mark up to get mugged), support splitting the offices
3/3/2025	Jundt, Curtis	Yes	
4/7/2025	Jundt, Curtis	Yes	Don't care if elected, disappointed in drama and chaos, no background
3/17/2025	Jundt, Michelle	Yes	Questions regarding lawsuit, turnover, negative campaign
4/7/2025	Kenner, Lanny	No	Don't give up voting rights, Finance Dept is check and balance
3/22/2025	Lang, Lucas	No	HRC, explicitly stated position would remain elected. States Attorney will present information.
3/22/2025	Lang, Lucas		Hire best and brightest? Does that apply to all positions in County--look at roads. First time I've ever seen County Commissioners outside of Bismarck.
3/29/2025	Lawyer, Roger	Yes	
3/3/2025	Lembke, Claus	Yes	
3/3/2025	Lembke, Marsha	Facilitate	
3/3/2025	Lengenfelder, Austin	No	
3/3/2025	Lengenfelder, Kris	No	
3/22/2025	Lengenfelder, Kris	No	Father-in-law. When consolidation occurs, powerful get more powerful. If we appoint, problems will go away? No guarantee. If Auditor is screw up, what do you do? Does government fire people? Fight to the death for your vote! Hindsight investing.
3/3/2025	Lengenfelder, Luke	No	
3/3/2025	Lengenfelder, Matt	No	
3/3/2025	Lengenfelder, Patrick	No	
3/22/2025	Lengenfelder, Patrick	No	This has been going on for years, long before Mark was elected. Mark has never been allowed to speak. Any way to have mediated discussion? Is Auditor going to have opportunity to respond?
3/22/2025	Lengenfelder, Rebecca	No	Doesn't matter if we're related to Mark--see as a dig. Seen a lot of inuendos. All of the stuff you said, Mark should have a chance to respond. Are things from the past being dumped on Mark? Big stack of paper; how much is related to his time in office or past people? Mark is my son-in-law, I want to hear his side!
4/7/2025	Lepp, Marvin	No	Auditors are continually being attacked at County and State level, separate auditor and treasurer
3/17/2025	Marquart, Ryan	No	
3/3/2025	Mattson, Tim	No	
3/17/2025	Mattson, Tim	No	Argued to speak

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3/22/2025	McLean, Jack	No	
3/22/2025	Meyer, James	Yes	President of grain elevator. Explain what the problem is, 3.7M off books, audit mistakes, property taxes, budget established, overtaxing 8M over two years, investments--interest income applied to budget, 1.37M lost interest income (inaction)
3/3/2025	Nagel, Steve	No	
3/22/2025	O'Neill, Wendy	No	Deny military vote and not follow state law may be grounds for removal
3/22/2025	Rakow, Karl	Yes	If clients weren't making return on 1.7M would have issue
4/7/2025	Rakow, Karl	Yes	Position should have credentials, voting is personalities, accountability should be done when person enters a position--not corrected afterward
3/22/2025	Rath, Bo	No	
3/3/2025	Rath, Kip	No	
3/22/2025	Rath, Kip	No	
3/29/2025	Schonert, Doug	No	
4/7/2025	Schonert, Doug	No	
4/7/2025	Schonert, Pat	No	Wholly support splitting the office
3/22/2025	Schonert, Patricia	No	Nothing to do with military voting! You can't take away our right to vote. We'll petition. Not accusing of stealing, just not investing. When do we say enough is enough? Won't vote for them again. Get the information out to us to make the right decision. He has two years left, provide more people or help him do is job; get the information out for us to make a decision. Finance Department offered 20 hours a week, and Auditor turned it down.
3/17/2025	Schweitzer, Francis	No	
3/22/2025	Schweitzer, Sam	No	Don't take away right, no check and balance is appointed, turnover due stress and overloaded
3/22/2025	Schweitzer, Travis	No	Committee, can another one be set up to look at other side, painted dim picture, looks like setup
3/17/2025	Schweitzer, Trina	No	
3/3/2025	Sible, Coty	No	

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3/22/2025	Splonskowski, Mark	No	<p>Committee clarification names; Bitner not on it. Portfolio holder for HR, EM, and Finance Dept. Commissioner Bakken and Bitner, last time you talked to me about my office? Right after 2024 election is when Mark remembers. Worked in office for 11 years. How many doors have you knocked on, dogs bites? Over 22,000 hours of service to Burleigh County. Emails sent with concerns? Woodcox is in there virtually every day. Schwab 1.5 years ago and sat down with him. 3.2M which bank? Bank of ND and what funds? Associated with detention center sales tax fund. Commission doesn't get the bank statements. Woodcox, somebody didn't receive abatement statement. Sent check out 5 days before Commission Meeting. Homestead credit from January didn't receive, came back in February, came back in March-- Woodcox came in to check status. Not processed.</p> <p>Month end, year end, cleanup for next audit. Received clean audit from ND and highest recommendation. Many things said at previous meetings, half truths. I heard "levels" when you spoke to Kevin Glatt. I've been watching Burleigh County for 11 years. People deserve communications, department heads, Commission--honesty and integrity.</p> <p>Still recovering from Glatt and Thompson retirements. Last year has been turbulent. Great staff now along with Tax Equalization Office. Asking for collaboration and communication. Until we can communicate that can effect change, this will continue. Last great Commissioner was Becky Matthews. Haven't seen willingness of Commission to fight.</p>
3/3/2025	Subart, Ryan	No	
3/22/2025	Thompson, Pamela	No	<p>Credentials for County Commissioner? State Auditor? State Tax Commissioner? Why did 11 counties change to appointed? County staff committee, all county employee; what about somebody from outside to have unbiased opinion? What credentials to others have? Munson: to put information in consolidated format, no making any decisions. How many in Finance Department?</p>
4/7/2025	Tuttle, Charles	No	It's the people's position, not yours
3/3/2025	Walsh, Michael J	No	
3/22/2025	Welder, Mary Ann	No	Cart before the horse, legislative changes didn't happen
4/7/2025	Zaun, Deann	No	