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Probate No. 07-2023-PR-00067 IN DISTRICT COURT BURKE COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Theodore Grandall, Deceased ORDER FIXING TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING

The Petition for Settlement and Confirmation of Distribution of a Testate Estate by Personal Representative having come before the Court;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that January 13, 2026, at 10:45 a.m., in the courtroom of the above-named Court. 103 Main Street, in the City of Bowbells, County of Burke, State of North Dakota, be appointed the time and place for the hearing of said Petition and any person interested may appear and contest the said Petition for Settlement and Confirmation of Distribution of Distribution of a Testate Estate by Personal Representative.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitioner give notice of said hearing in the manner prescribed by N.D.C.C. §30.1-03-01 to all persons entitled to notice pursuant to N.D.C.C. §30.1-

> /s/ Steven Lautt 11/14/25 Judge of the District Court Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 2025

Garage for Sale on Bids

The Bowbells Fire District is offering for sale a 25 ft. by 30 ft. two stall garage (facing Main Street) located at 100 2nd

The building must be removed by July 1st, 2026 and the purchaser is responsible for removal of concrete pad and back filling of pad area.

Bids may be submitted to Bowbells Fire District, PO Box 280, Bowbells, ND 58721

Bids will be opened at 7:00 pm, Monday, December 1st at the Bowbells Fire Hall

Bidders present at that time will have the opportunity to raise their bids one

For more information contact Bowbells Fire Chief Dylan Benge, phone 701-339-2628, or Fire District President Dan Folske, phone 701-339-1133.

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Council Proceedings Unofficial Council Proceedings November 3, 2025

City of Columbus

The November meeting of the City of Columbus was called to order at 7:02 pm on Monday, November 3, 2025, by Mayor Chris Kihle at the Columbus City Hall, with the Pledge

of Allegiance. Members Present: Mayor Kihle, Darla Westerness, Amber Nygard, and Scott Sandy. Auditor, Sandy Raines. Absent: Katie Nygard.

Agenda: Motion by Sandy and second by Westerness to approve the agenda as presented. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved. Minutes: Motion by Westerness and seconded by A. Nygard to approve the minutes of October 6, 2025, City Council Meeting as presented with correction of spelling of Nygard. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.

Guests Present: None

Public Comment: There being no members of the public wishing to comment, Mayor Kihle proceeded with the meeting

- · City Engineer: No report
- · City Attorney: No report.

· City Maintenance: Cleaning streets and drainage areas; snowplow maintenance completed, lights on water tower repaired, bulk building door repaired, lagoon training received and anticipating release in late November.

City Auditor: Correspondence: Water forum scheduled for December. NDRIF newsletter; tips on Building Community from Matt Lehrman

Financials: Motion by Sandy and second by A. Nygard to pay the November bills and file the October financial statement. The mayor called for the vote. Ayes: Westerness, Sandy, and A. Nygard. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Old Business: · Fee structure: utility rates and fines for ordinance infractions – ongoing.

• Columbus Community Club: no

Tree Grant: submitted will learn decision in mid-January.

· MDU Grant: Resubmitted will learn decision in January

404 Meyer Street: No questions or action

New Business:

Tax Lien Foreclosure Properties: Motion by Sandy and second by Westerness delegating city auditor to place bid on parcel #07196000 at **Burke County auction on November** 18, 2025, setting a cap of \$2500; and if no sale, then city will opt for ownership following sale. The mayor called for the vote. Ayes: Westerness, Sandy, and A. Nygard. Nays: None. Motion approved.

· Christmas Light Up and Visit with Santa: Community Light Up Contest will continue for residents running from December 1st - through Christmas Day. Winners will be announced at January Council Meeting. Tentative date for "Visit with Santa," Sunday, December 14th from 2:00-4:00 pm.

Adjournment: Motion by Westerness and second by A. Nygard to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Bills to Pay: Intuit \$377.00.00; BDEC 1.50: Verizon 289.51: NWF NCC 223.36; MDU 1005.63; EFTPS 1138.44; BC Sheriff 400.00; Burke County Tribune 117.03; Circle Sanitation 1956.50; First District Health 30.00; Jerry's Transfer 24.00; Lignite Oil 225.00; Jacob's Hardware 194.00; Visa Maintenance 649.99; USPO 305.00; Amazon 12.99 Dollar General 33.05

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Sandy Raines, Auditor November 19, 2025

Dakota Datebook Standard Railway Time

by CAROLE BUTCHER ON THIS DATE: November 18, 2025 – For centuries, the accurate measure of time was unnecessary. People measured time in the transition from day to night and back again. Devices invented to provide a slightly more accurate measure included the sundial, sand timers, and burning candles. These methods were not terribly accurate, but were adequate for the times. Life continued, despite the inability to precisely denote the time.

Clocks and watches were eventually developed, but until the mid-18th century, these were primarily for the wealthy. The lower classes still ordered the day according to the sun. Back when travel and communication were slow, time was not a major issue. Passengers in horse drawn coaches were happy if they got to their destination within hours of their planned time of arrival, and mail delivery was less than dependable.

Then the railroad arrived. Time became more crucial. Travel became faster and more reliable. It was important for the trains to run on time. But each railroad ran on its own time. The Pennsylvania ran on Allegheny Time. New York trains ran on New York Time. Trains running out of Chicago ran on Chicago Time. From Buffalo to Chicago the standard was Columbus time, even for trains that didn't run through Columbus. Sandford Fleming, a Canadian engineer, recognized that the system was chaotic and unworkable. He led the effort to standardize

On this date in 1883, precisely at Noon, all North American railroads adopted a new standard time for all railroad operations. This new system was called Standard Railway Time. It established time zones across the continent. Although the advantages were obvious, it took a while for the system to be adopted by the general public. It wasn't until 1918 that Congress adopted standard time zones based on the railroad zones.

It's hard to overstate the importance of railroads in the history of North Dakota. They facilitated the settlement of the Great Plains, allowed farmers to ship their products, and helped stores stock their shelves. The importance continues today with trains a hundred cars long shipping oil, grain and other goods. And it's thanks to the railroads that we live and work in the Central and Mountain time zones.

Guarding Jackie by CAROLE BUTCHER

ON THIS DATE: November 20, 2025 - Clinton J. Hill was born in Larimore, North Dakota. After graduating high school in Washburn and college at Concordia, he joined the Army in 1954, then became a Secret Service agent in 1957. The next year, he was assigned to President Eisenhower's detail.

After John F. Kennedy was elected, Hill was excited to learn that he would be staying on at the White House. He admitted he was disappointed when assigned to protect the First Lady instead of the President, but he came to admire her and enjoyed working for her. He was promoted, and put in charge of other agents who also protected her.

On this date in 1963, Hill was at the White House as the President and First Lady prepared for a trip to Dallas. The President met with entertainers Lena Horne and Carol Lawrence. He issued a statement regarding a scientific conference in Geneva, Switzerland, involving the allocation of radio frequencies for communication satellites. In Congressional business, he signed into law regulations regarding tidal lands in Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

For her part, Mrs. Kennedy was busy packing. She was scheduled to appear at the Chamber of Commerce breakfast in Fort Worth on November 22. She was known as a fashion icon and put a great deal of thought into what she would wear. She carefully chose a pink suit with a matching hat. Hill remembered that the day seemed remarkably

Two days later, of course, President Kennedy was dead. After the President was shot, Hill jumped onto the limousine. He placed his body across the President and First Lady to protect them from further danger.

Hill remained assigned to Mrs. Kennedy until 1964 when his duties shifted to President Lyndon B. Johnson. Later he was given responsibility for all protection details. He retired in 1975. In an interview that year, he spoke about his deep regret that he hadn't prevented Kennedy's assassination. In 2012 he wrote "Mrs. Kennedy and Me" about his experiences as Jackie Kennedy's bodyguard.

Medora's Von Hoffman House

by DAVE SEIFERT

ON THIS DATE: November 21, 2025 – The Von Hoffman House was built in Medora, North Dakota, in 1884 for the Baron and Mrs. Von Hoffman. Athenais von Hoffman had asked her husband to build the home so they would have a place to stay when they visited their daughter Medora, the wife of the Marquis de Mores. The home is veneered in brick and is not typical prairie construction.

In 1885, James Foley was hired as manager of the Marquis' holdings in Medora. He moved into the Von Hoffman house with his family. Medora gave the house to the Foleys in 1914. When they moved out in the 1940s, local residents continued to care for the house.

Harold Schafer's Gold Seal Company purchased the building in 1969. It became known as the Medora Doll House when Schafer decided a doll museum would be an interesting addition to his tourist enterprise. He hired a doll expert to purchase dolls. The museum opened in 1971. On this date in 1977, the house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

In 1986, Schafer gave the house to the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation. The dolls were removed so it could be restored. The Medora Doll House once again became known as the Von Hoffman House. The Foundation turned it into a museum to interpret the early history of Medora. A descendant of the Foley family donated the dining room set and bedroom set originally used in the home.

Randy Hatzenbuhler, president of the Foundation, said there are two stories that need to be told – one about the Von Hoffmans, who financially supported the Marquis de Mores' business ventures; the other about the Foleys, who worked for the Marquis and served the community for sixty years. Hatzenbuhler calls the Von Hoffman House a valuable addition to the historical attractions of Medora. It was dedicated as a museum in June of 2012.

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