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The store has received grants and donations, and is looking at fundraiser options.

Ideas discussed during the meeting included launching a “buy local” marketing campaign, a door-to-door equity drive, adjusting hours and hosting a community meeting.

The concept of a group purchasing system with other area grocery stores has been shelved for now. The Rural Development Center is currently developing the concept of a distribution co-op within a 100-mile radius of Minot, then will turn its attention to southwestern North Dakota, Fielding said.

Located only 24 miles from Dickinson, tough urban competition pressed the New England grocery store into closure in 2005. Shortly after, the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council

was helping the city with its strategic planning when a group decided New England needed to bring back its grocery store, according to past newspaper reports.

A steering committee conducted a citywide survey of residents to find out if the community really wanted to buy eggs and milk in their hometown again. They divided the phone book, made 400 calls to measure public support, and found that 91% favored reopening the store, according to previous newspaper reports.

The store was organized as a cooperative, and shares were sold. After gathering initial shares, volunteers then rolled up their sleeves and renovated an old tavern into a grocery store.

After a short hiatus, the New England Community Store reopened in 2007.

Ambulance district measures pass

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Two measures put forth by the Western Grant Ambulance District both passed during a special election June 16.

The district sought voter support for a mill levy increase and the annexation of the remainder of the ambulance service area into the taxation district, with 154 voters casting a ballot.

The first ballot question asked voters to consider annexing a sliver in eastern Grant County and portions of townships in Hettinger County and Adams County, which are currently in the ambulance’s service area, but aren’t in the taxation district. The ambulance service

area, which is assigned by N.D. Health and Human Services, did not match the taxation district’s boundaries, meaning some areas received ambulance services without providing tax support.

The question stated: “Shall the remainder of the service area be annexed into the existing taxation district of the Western Grant Ambulance District?”

That measure passed with 126 votes in favor and 28 votes against.

The second ballot question asked voters to consider a tax levy not to exceed 15 mills for the purpose of operating a rural ambulance district.

With the existing 2 mill levy, the Western Grant Ambulance District currently generates an estimated \$24,562. A 15 mill levy along with the annexation was estimated to generate \$248,876 in annual revenue.

That measure passed with 118 voters in favor and 36 against.

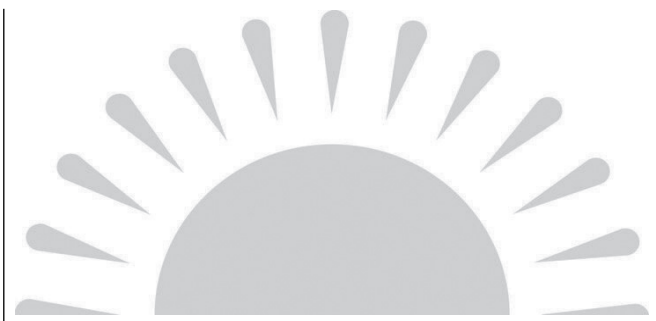
Legislation passed in 2023 mandated the formation of ambulance taxation districts for rural ambulance services.

The Western Grant Ambulance District formed last year with a seven-member board, which oversees the tax dollars and budget for the New Leipzig-Elgin Ambulance Service, which is the only ambulance service operating within the taxation district. The Carson quick response unit (QRU), which cannot transport patients, operates under the New Leipzig-Elgin Ambulance Service’s license.

MOTT/REGENT SENIOR MEALS MENU

Friday, June 26: Chicken and wild rice, house salad with dressing, carrots, mandarin oranges, bread stick

Tuesday, June 30: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with mushroom gravy, broccoli, applesauce, dinner roll



Mott Health Care Center activities

Upcoming activities at the Mott Health Care Center:

Sunday, June 28
National Happy Heart Hugs Day
10 a.m. – Chair exercises in solarium
2 p.m. – Community quarter bingo

Monday, June 29
10 a.m. – Move and Grove Monday chair exercises
2 p.m. – Make waffle iron cookies

Tuesday, June 30
9 a.m. – Shopping downtown Mott
10 a.m. – Chair exercises in solarium
Noon – Elder Care meal, all are welcome
1 p.m. – Card players in the solarium
2 p.m. – Work on July wall decorations
4 p.m. – Outing to New England for Burgers in the Park

Wednesday, July 1
National Patio Day
9 a.m. – Chair exercises in the solarium
10 a.m. – Keep the faith going with communion with Pastor John
2 p.m. – Serving ice cream on the patio

Thursday, July 2
National Firefighters Day
10 a.m. – Mass with Father Kadrmias in the chapel
Noon – Elder Care meal, all are welcome
12:30 p.m. – Bridge players
12:45 p.m. – Spa day for nails and paraffin wax treatment
2 p.m. – Octagon game
3 p.m. – Book Club with Father Kadrmias

Friday, July 3
9 a.m. – Spa day for hair
10:30 a.m. – Chair exercises in solarium
Noon – Elder Care meal, all are welcome
2 p.m. – Golf cart rides, weather-permitting
2 p.m. – Scrabble board game

Saturday, July 4
Independence Day
10 a.m. – Sit and Be Fit Saturday
2 p.m. – Uno card game
4:30 p.m. – Mass at St. Vincent’s

Call 824-3222 to volunteer or to share your talents.

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO AIR POLLUTION CONTROL

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (“Department”) will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to North Dakota Administrative Code Article 33.1-15 at the following time and location:

2nd Floor Meeting Room 223
North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
4201 Normandy Street
Bismarck, ND 58503
August 11, 2026
1:00 pm CST

The public may review the proposed rule changes and provide comments. To request a copy of the proposed changes, contact the Department’s Indoor Air Quality Control Program:
Mail: North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck, ND 58503
Email: waste@nd.gov
Phone: 701-328-5166

Written or oral comments must be received by July 30, 2026 to be fully considered. Comments may be submitted by mail, email or phone using the contact information above.

Anyone who plans to attend the hearing and needs accommodations related to a disability should contact the Department at least two days before the hearing.

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Charles R. Hyatt, Director
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