



Powers Lake

Muriel Smith submitted the following:

On June 7, the Kleppen reunion was held in Columbus at the Faith Lutheran Church. The annual get-together was attended by 59 people, young to old. A potluck was served. A slide show was presented of family members from years past. A few others made comments about the family legacy along with a song by Kelly Hysjulien.

The highest attendance in many years included—Williston: Shirley Roloff, Gaylen and Debbie Oas, Khloe Alvarado, Jaxon Alvarado, Sierra and Eli Lund, Phoenix and Hudson Lund, Lou Kihle, Floyd and Donna Peterson, Angela Baker, Danika Baker, Branden Stanfield, Solana Stanfield, Jes-

sica, Kevin and Amara Graven, Pam Hoff and Mark Holmes Kenmare: Beverly Biscoe, Tam Ward; Lostwood: Malinda Gunderson; Powers Lake: Muriel Smith, Zeke and Diane Isakson, Kelly Hysjulien; Columbus: Gloria Brenno, Lois Burau, Scott Kihle; Ray: Jon, Paula and Sebastian Lankford; Bottineau: Heather and Donovan Vestre; Minot: Ben and Sharlene Weltikol, Vickie Piotrowski; Pierce, CO: Jerry and Janell Nelson; Linton: Norris and Muriel Kay Anderson; Billings, MT: Wayne Hysjulien; Bowbells: Hazel Herman, Michael Herman; Berthold: Missy Lahti, Alexandra Lahti, Ashton Lahti, Barrett Smith, Ryan Heim; Commerce City, CO: Randy and Norita Berler; Stanley: Hod and Ruth Hysjulien; Grand Forks: Tim Hysjulien; Lignite: Jason Hysjulien, Doug Hysjulien; Flaxton: Ronnie Nelson.

Senior Citizens Menus

POWERS LAKE

Call 464-5630 by 8:00 a.m. the day of the meal
Friday, July 17: Taco salad.
Monday, July 20: Pork diablo (red sauce & rice).
Wednesday, July 22: Meatloaf.

BOWBELLS

Anyone over 60 who would like a meal delivered please call 377-2376 meals subject to change
Friday, July 17: Mexican casserole, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, bread stick, ice cream/fruit.
Monday, July 20: Barbecue ribs, cheesy potatoes, green

beans, fruit, dinner bun.

Wednesday, July 22: Beef stroganoff with egg noodles, peas, coleslaw, cherry dessert, dinner bun.

LIGNITE/COLUMBUS

Call 385-4364 or 818-3116 if interested in getting meals
Friday, July 17: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed corn, applesauce.
Monday, July 20: Pulled pork on a bun, potato wedges, cucumber-tomato salad, fruit cup.

Wednesday, July 22: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, zucchini, fruit cobbler.



Bowbells

Hazel Herman had her birthday on Friday and has been celebrating for three days. Friday morning son, Tom showed up with a birthday cake and then took her out for lunch. Friday evening, Michael Herman, Anne and Lynn Brodal took Hazel to the 109 in Lignite for supper to celebrate.

Randy and Danielle Olson of Barnesville, MN were weekend guests of his parents, Wayne and Clara Olson. It was so much fun catching up.

Sunday, Eric, Bree, Henrik and Hazel Jacobson visited grandma, Janette Peterson in Minot.

Jack and Gen Aufforth went to Williston Friday to watch the Legion baseball tournament and Thursday went to Crosby to watch Wyatt play Babe Ruth.

Tuesday, Hazel Herman and Mike went to Powers Lake to watch great grandson, Oliver Brodal play baseball.

Saturday, Hazel Herman and Mike went to Tioga to watch great grandson Deklan Pulvermacher play baseball.

Steve Herman of Bismarck met Hazel and Mike Herman at the M&K Pizza in Kenmare for birthday lunch. Then they went to Bowbells and were joined by Anne and Lynn Brodal, Alex, Leda, Oliver, Klaus and Ruben Brodal, Derek, Sam, Liam and Deklan Pulvermacher, Mallory, Shane, Audrey, Josie and Adalynn Klabo, Maja Frandsen and Tom Herman. They all brought her birthday greetings and Happy Birthday cake and ice cream.

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Notice to Creditors

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Attorneys for: **Personal Representative Probate No. 07-2026-PR-00035**
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF **BURKE COUNTY,**
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of **Peter A. Willyard, Deceased.**
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above Estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Nathalie A. Willyard, Personal Representative of the above-named estate, in care of Maxson Law Office, P.C., at 320 – 16th Street NW, Minot, ND 58703, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 6th day of July, 2026.
/s/ Nathalie Willyard
Nathalie A. Willyard,
Personal Representative
Jacob C. Maxson (ID #06747)
MAXSON LAW OFFICE, P.C.
320 – 16th Street NW
Minot, ND 58703
Attorneys for Personal Representative
First publication on the 15th day of July, 2026.

July 15, 22 & 29, 2026

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Official Proceedings of the Board of Burke County Commissioners

June 16, 2026

1. OPENING & ROLL CALL
The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at the Burke County Courthouse, Bowbells ND beginning with Chairman Jarret Van Berkom, Commissioner Shannon Holter and Commissioner Kurt Koppelsloen presiding. Also present was Lyann Olson, Burke County Tribune.

Chairman Van Berkom called the County Commission meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. BUSINESS
A. MINUTES
Motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to approve the regular meeting of June 2, 2026. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

B. BILLS
Motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to approve the bills list and that the County Auditor be instructed to pay the bills out of the proper funds. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

GENERAL
County Employees \$81,021.73
TOTAL \$81,021.73
COUNTY AGENT
County Employees \$3,294.29
TOTAL \$3,294.29
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER
County Employees \$1,234.75
TOTAL \$1,234.75

911
County Employees \$244.89
TOTAL \$244.89

WEED CONTROL
County Employees \$329.94
TOTAL \$329.94
GRAND TOTAL \$86,125.60

ROAD & BRIDGE
City of Columbus \$351.41
City of Lignite..... 139.00
City of Powers Lake..... 208.61

Department of
Transportation..... 448,388.94
Jerry's Transfer Service..... 70.00
John's Sand & Gravel Inc.... 16,720.27
Lignite Oil Company 22,630.91
Lignite Vol Fire Dept Inc 104.00
Lucy Trucks 29,419.63
MB Repair LLC..... 337.50
Menards- Minot..... 25.49
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co..... 77.50
NDLTAP200.00
Running Supply Inc 903.87
True North Steel 52,459.20
TOTAL \$572,036.33

GENERAL
Balco Uniform \$405.46
Batteries Plus Bulbs 33.56
Burke County Treasurer 999.89
Burke Divide Electric
Cooperative 63.46
Computer Express Inc..... 1,442.98
Dacotah Bank 1,779.04
Election Systems
& Software Inc. 758.60
Farmers Union Oil Company 3,911.27
Global Safety Network, Inc.... 155.90
Graphics Lettering & Trim Inc... 98.00
Information Technology
Department..... 1,407.20
K Squared Electric Inc. 1,107.71
Lignite Oil Company 856.58
Lignite Service & Repair..... 50.00
Minot's Finest Collision Center 5,469.02
Morelli's Distributing, Inc..... 132.30
Northwest Communications..... 46.24
Thomson Reuters- West..... 225.30
USPS- POC..... 1,000.00
Vestis..... 479.63
TOTAL \$20,422.14

COUNTY AGENT
Daniel Folske..... \$654.45
North Dakota State University ... 95.80
TOTAL \$750.25

HOMELAND SECURITY
Harry's Tire Service \$1,053.04
Lignite Service & Repairs 489.26
TOTAL \$1,542.30

WEED CONTROL
Daniel Folske..... \$66.70
TOTAL \$66.70
GRAND TOTAL \$ 594,817.72

3. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED
Stephanie Black, Planning & Zoning Administrator, met with the board.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to authorize the chairman to sign a CUP for Central Specialties in Lucy Twp. S25 T160N R92W for hot mix asphalt. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm Koppelsloen to authorize the chairman to sign a Residential Building permit for Gary Ramsdell in Colville Twp. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Comm. Koppelsloen, second by Comm. Holter to authorize the chairman to sign a Residential Building permit for Dennis Dosch in Colville Twp. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Stephanie reported that the Planning & Zoning Board would be organizing a public forum regarding Data Centers sometime in January 2027.

Ted Hawbaker met with the board.
Ted wanted clarification on an article read in the Burke County Tribune stating grain bins would be required to be permitted. After some discussion, the Commissioners clarified, the statement was not intended to indicate that grain bins require permits. The Commission confirmed that no permit is currently required for grain bins. No formal action was taken. The clarification was provided for the record.
Spencer Goodman, County Road Supervisor, met with the board.

Discussion was held on several projects throughout the county including, pumping water from the Guerdt bridge, Sundre was crushing at the Mariner pit, mowing, road safety programs will open in November for application, working with Wold on safety grants, received the culvert camera on loan from NDLTAP, mower training, survey on the missile roads. A road crew employee will be moving to part time.
Griffin Nelson, County Deputy/Coroner, met with the board.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to appoint Ryan

Peterson as the Burke County Deputy Coroner. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Tracy Stover, Custodian/Maintenance, met with the board.

Tracy had collected several quotes on mower options from John Deere and The Country Store. The Chairman abstained from giving his opinion due to quotes received from The Country Store. A Husqvarna Z254F with a 54" deck was chosen. Quotes from K Squared Electric were received on the remaining lights to be replaced and power strips to be added in the Treasurer office. The commissioners approved the quotes. Tracy submitted a quote on a new flag pole. Chairman Van Berkom would like to get some additional information from the City of Powers Lake on a flag pole installed not too long ago.

Sheriff Throntveit met with the board.
A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to authorize the chairman to sign the JPA for Juvenile Detention Services with Ward County. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to authorize the chairman to sign a liquor license transfer from Caddy's Shack to the Bowbells Country Club on July 2, 2026. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION
A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to approve a Bingo Permit for the Burke County Fair on June 19, 2026. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to approve a Raffle Permit for the Burke County Fair on June 19th and 20th, 2026. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Comm. Holter, second by Comm. Koppelsloen to approve a Fireworks Display Permit for the Burke County Fair on June 20, 2026 contingent on proof of insurance and compliance with any county fire ban restrictions in effect at the time of the event. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Auditor ask for approval of a new printer. All were in favor.

4. ADJOURN

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to meet again in regular session July 7, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes read and approved this 7th day of July 2026.

Jarret Van Berkom
Chairman, Burke County Board of Commissioners

Amie Vandegrift
Burke County Auditor

July 15, 2026

Vacancy

Burke County Planning and Zoning Commission

The Burke County Planning and Zoning Commission is a seven-member board formed for the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals, public convenience, general prosperity, and public welfare of the County. Meetings are held at 8:00 a.m. on the Third Tuesday of each month with occasional hearings and work sessions scheduled during weekdays and evenings.

A vacancy exists on the Commission and expressions of interest are invited. Please send your resume to Stephanie Black, Burke County Planning and Zoning, PO Box 310 Bowbells, ND. 58721 or by email to sablack@nd.gov by Thursday, July 16th.

If you have any questions regarding the position, please call (701) 377 – 6242 Monday – Thursday during normal business hours.

June 24, July 1, 8 & 15, 2026

Notice of Public Hearing for Zoning Change

Notice is hereby given that the Burke County Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct a special meeting and public hearing on August 18th, 2026 at 8:05 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Burke County Courthouse, Main Street, Bowbells ND at which time and place all interested persons will be heard on the request of Middle Mile Infrastructure LLC

Legal Description: Township 164 North, Range 91 West, Section 31: Lot SE ¼ SW ¼ ¼ less Highway ROW and less Ballantynes First Additional to Portal Cemetery

Description of request:
Utility compound for in-line amplifying fiber optic equipment shelters and associated equipment.

This proposal is available to the public for inspection at the Burke County Planning & Zoning Office, Burke County Courthouse, Main Street, Bowbells ND, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 8am-4pm. If any special accommodation is required, please contact our office in advance.

Dated this 07th day of July 2026
Stephanie Black
Burke County Planning and Zoning Commission
July 15 & 22, 2026

NCC Telephone customers please notice:

Effective July 1, 2026, the FCC increased the Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) to 38.8% for Telephone line charges. This change will be reflected beginning with your August bill as follows: for residential Telephone line service the charge will be \$2.52, single business line will be \$3.69, and multi-line business line will be \$4.74.



57th Annual
DIVIDE COUNTY
Threshing Bee
Crosby, ND

This Year's Feature
Model A Ford and
4 Wheel Drive Tractor

WIN THIS!

Raffle Tickets
\$10 each or
\$100 for 11

TOY SHOW
Saturday: 9 am- 5 pm
Sunday: 10 am-3 pm

FOOD
7 am Threshers Breakfast
7:30 am Bakery Opens
11 am Lunch
Food Vendors also on grounds

DAILY EVENTS
8 am Museum Opens
9 am Flea Market
10 am Dakota Star Quilt Guild
10:30 am Car Parade
1 pm Antique Tractor Parade

TRACTOR CADE
Friday, July 17
9 am - Departing Threshing grounds going to Country Club

SPECIAL EVENTS
Friday, July 17:
Petting Zoo
5:30 pm Bingo
7 pm Music
Saturday, July 18:
Petting Zoo
11:30 am Tractor Start-up Demo
12 pm Borderline Auto Club Show
2 pm Tractor Pulls
3 pm Money In The Straw
5 pm Talent Show
Sunday, July 19:
Petting Zoo
9 am Village Church Service
11:30 am Drive a Tractor
2 pm Kiddie Tractor Pulls

SAVE THE DATE & COME BACK NEXT YEAR
Third weekend of July -- July 16,17,18, 2027
Feature: Crawlers & Trac Vehicles
Divide County Historical Society - PO Box 498 ~ Crosby, ND 58730

Admission: Adult \$10 per day or 3-days \$20; Under 12 FREE with an Adult
Free Parking on the grounds; CAMPING & Lodging Available
Dogs must be leashed -- All exhibitors welcome!
WRISTBANDS REQUIRED ON THE GROUNDS

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