

## Brand new bingo in Mayville

From left, Luther Elness, Keith Williams, Butch Aamold, Maynard Gunderson, Richard Peterson and Maria Smukalla show off new bingo cards and a new bingo machine donated to Luther Memorial Home. A fundraising campaign received monetary gifts from the Mayville American Legion Post 8, VFW Post 4221, the Sons of the American Legion, Gate City Bank, Jeff Strand, Marion Baker, Ricky Hanson, Dave Moehler, Keith Williams and Richard Peterson. An extra \$270 raised was used to purchase an extra set of bingo balls and more bingo cards. Minda Strand and Sonya Sherwa also aided the effort.

COURTESY PHOTO



### TRAILL COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 6, 2026

The Traill County Commissioners came to order on January 6th, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Eblen, Nesvig, and Young in person and Commissioner Amb attending online. Commissioner Elliott was not present.

On motion of Young, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the agenda.

On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Young and carried to approve the minutes of December 16th, 2025.

On motion of Young, seconded by Nesvig and carried to appoint Kurt Elliott, Chairman for 2026.

On motion of Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to appoint Ken Nesvig, Vice-Chairman for 2026.

COMMISSION PORTFOILIOS: On motion of Young, seconded by Eblen and carried to appoint the following Commissioners to the 2026 portfolios:

- (a) Courthouse: Thomas Eblen
- (b) Sheriff/Jail: Kurt Elliott
- (c) Road: Les Amb
- (d) VSO: Larry Young
- (e) EDC: Kurt Elliott/Ken Nesvig
- (f) Housing Authority: Young

On motion of Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to follow the ND State OMB rates for mileage for 2026, set at \$725 for personal vehicle mileage.

COUNTY PAYABLES: On motion of Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to approve the regular bills presented for payment and the Auditor's warrants as follows: 111206, ADVANCED BUSINESS, \$143.57; 111222, Mary Remore, \$180.00; 111207, ALLIANCE BUSINESS, \$125.00; 111223, MENARDS, \$611.43; 111197, AMB, LESLIE, \$342.30; 111224, ND DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION, \$7,452.92; 111208, BRENNANS GARAGE LLC, \$400.00; ACH, ND PUBLIC HEALTH INS TRUST, \$116,628.31; 111209, CASS COUNTY FINANCE, \$4,716.31; ACH, ND PERS, \$68,602.82; 111210, CHICAGO POWER PLAN, \$1,551.99; 111225, NODAK ELECTRIC COOP, \$226.50; 111211, CODE 4 SERVICES INC, \$11,585.88; 111226, ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC, \$6.00; 111212, DAKOTA HERITAGE BANK, \$2,000.00; 111227, PAULS HOMETOWN REPAIR, \$78.25; 111213, EC REGIONAL WATER, \$400.40; ACH, PAYROLL, \$327,793.56; ACH, FEDERAL TAX, \$113,880.47; 111198, PEPPERBALL, \$7,295.00; 111214, FINLEY MOTORS, INC., \$602.72; 111228, POLAR COMMUNICATIONS, \$7.40; 111215, GALLS, \$90.95; 111229, Razor Tracking, \$575.00; 111216, GRAND FORKS COUNTY, \$4,307.46; 111230, REMARK TECH CONSULTING, \$900.00; 111217, HILLSBORO MUNICIPAL, \$1,231.99; 111199, SCHNEIDER GEOSPATIAL, LLC, \$20,000.00; 111218, JOHN DEERE CREDIT, \$640.66; 111200, STEELE COUNTY, \$43,153.21; 111219, KRB GRAVEL LTD, \$24,940.00; 111196, TRAILL COUNTY TREASURER, \$5,724.23; 111220, LAKE REGION LAW ENFORC, \$810.00; 111232, TURNING WRENCHES LLC, \$118.00; 111221, LITTLE FALLS MACHINE, \$1,261.41; 111201, YOUNG, LARRY, \$4,783.30.

On motion of Young, seconded by Eblen, and carried, with Eblen, Young, and Amb yea and Nesvig nay, to appoint Nesvig to the AVHSZ Board for a three-year term.

A letter was received from the State Historical Society regarding the removal of the Ellingson Farm District from the National Register of Historic Places. Comments concerning the proposed removal may be submitted by January 30, 2026.

Commissioners received a letter from the Department of Agriculture regarding the 2026 North Dakota Agriculture Commissioner's Weed Forum, to be held in Bismarck on January 6, 2026. Traill County weed officers are required to attend.

The AVHSZ Board meeting schedule for 2026 was received. No action was required by the Commission.

Reminder of offices up for election in 2026 was provided. No action was required by the Commission.

Ben Gates, DES Assistant, requested the Commission sign a letter of support for Sanford to assist with a grant for Traill County to obtain a CAD system. Steve Hunt, Sheriff, provided additional explanation.

### Legal Notice

tion regarding the benefits expected from the CAD system. On motion by Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to authorize Nesvig to sign the letter of support.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Cor-

yn Martin, Road Superintendent,

and Matt Lange, KLJ Engineer,

conducted a bid opening. Action was

tabled until the next meeting to al-

low Martin time to review the bids.

Martin presented an encroachment

permit request for Les Amb located

off County Road 19. On motion of

Eblen, seconded by Young and car-

ried to sign the permit. Martin also

inquired about radios for his depart-

ment. Discussion was tabled with the

Commissioners requesting that he re-

turn with information identifying

potential funding sources for the

radios. Lange presented an annual

agreement for professional services

from KLJ. On motion of Eblen, sec-

onded by Young and carried to allow

Nesvig to sign the agreement with

KLJ. Lange also updated the com-

mision on various projects.

HILLSBORO AIRPORT AU-

THORITY: Devon Cote and Kyle

Klapper requested that the Board

postpone the possessory interest

tax on the hangars to allow the own-

ers additional time, as they were

not aware the tax had been applied.

Kayla Knudson, Tax Director, ad-

vised Cote that applications for tax

exemptions or abatements must

first be reviewed by the Township

Board before being submitted to the

County for final approval. Cote and

Knudson will follow up regarding the

next steps.

There being no further business

to be brought before the board, the

meeting was adjourned at 8:39 a.m.

to meet again on January 20th, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.

Heather Hovey, Auditor  
Ken Nesvig, Vice-Chair

### TRAILL COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 20, 2026

The Traill County Commissioners came to order on January 20th, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Eblen, Elliott, Nesvig, and Young in person and Commissioner Amb attending online.

Additions or deletions to the

agenda: Discussion on Home Rule

and a statement from Commissioner Young.

On motion of Eblen, seconded by Young and carried to approve the agenda.

On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Eblen and carried approve the minutes of January 6th, 2026.

On motion of Nesvig, seconded by Eblen and carried to approve a

letter to be sent to Troy Hefta on his

property questions.

On motion of Eblen, seconded by

Nesvig and carried to approve an

indemnity bond for Wold Johnson, P.C.

in the amount of \$2,520.00.

Commissioners received a letter

from Garrison Diversion regarding

grant application opportunities. Nes-

vig asked the board if they want to consider applying for the bathrooms in Belmont Park. The Commissioners would like Ben Gates, Assistant DES, look into the grant and come back to the board.

COUNTY PAYABLES: On motion

of Young, seconded by Nesvig and carried to approve the regular bills

presented for payment and the Au-

ditor's warrants as follows: 111235,

ADVANCED BUSINESS, \$440.11;

111278, ND ASSOC OF COUN-

TIES, \$11,153.00; 111236, BLOCK

ONE OFFICES LLC, \$2,460.00;

111279, ND ATTORNEY GENER-

AL, \$949.00; 111256, BRAND,

ALISON MARY, \$35.73; 111280, ND

BIGE CROSS SHIELD, \$7,891.30;

111257, BRENNANS GARAGE LLC,

\$590.00; 111244, ND COUNTY

AUDITORS ASSOC, \$3,400.00;

111258, BUTLER MACHINERY

CO., \$300.00; 111245, ND DEPT

OF TRANSP, \$3,976.26; 111259,

BUXTON CITY AUDITOR, \$229.00;

111281, ND STATE RADIO COMM,

\$766.00; 111260, BUXTON FARM-

ERS UNION, \$1,594.62; 111282,

ND STATES ATTORNEY ASSOC,

\$175.00; 111261, COLE PAPER

INC., \$2,051.00; ACH, ND PERS,

\$2,194.08; 111237, CUSTOMER

ACCOUNT SVS, \$119.00; 111283,

NDSU EXTENSION, \$6,166.48;

111233, DAKOTA HERITAGE

BANK, \$20,156.44; 111246, NIL-

SON BRAND LAW, \$1,500.00;

111238, DAKOTA NATURAL GAS,

\$4,900.53; 111284, NODAK ELEC-

TRIC COOP, \$245.49; 111239,

EAST CENTRAL REG WATER,

\$48.40; 111285, PORTLAND FARM-

ERS UNION, \$1,619.10; 111263,

EMMA LOLIYA, \$59.45; 111286,

RDO TRUCK CENTER, \$5,904.28;

111240, FAMILY HEALTHCARE

CTR, \$829.50; 111247, RECORD

KEEPERS LLC, \$27.50; 111264,

FLACK JACKET, \$339.75; 111248,

REMARK TECH CONSULTING,

\$86,843.11; 111265, FREEBERG,

ERIKA LEIGH, \$80.71; 111288,

SANDBO PLUMBING, \$666.46;

111234, GOOSE RIVER BANK,

\$51,620.14; 111249, SCHNEIDER

GEOSPATIAL, LLC, \$14,020.00;

111266, GF ASSOC REALTORS,

\$250.00; 111250, SEREH SAMBOU,

\$70.00; 11