



## DAKOTA RUSH HOUR

### Barb Kraft



Greetings!

A while back in The Kenmare News, there was an article about a business from Kenmare being scammed off of the internet. I could relate to this, because in 2005 I had my first encounter with a scammer, who was from Nigeria. It started with the following type of email, which I received this morning.

**Email from scammer, October 9, 2025:**

*Hello There,*

*How are you doing? My name is Richard Johnson from Los Angeles, CA.*

*I have been on the lookout for some artworks lately in regards to I and my wife's anniversary which is just around the corner. I stormed on to some of your works which I found quite impressive and intriguing. I must admit you're doing quite an impressive job. You are undoubtedly good at what you do.*

*With that being said, I would like to purchase some of your works as a surprise gift to my wife in*

*honor of our upcoming wedding anniversary. It would be of help if you could send some pictures of your piece of work, with their respective prices and sizes (bearing it in mind that my budget is within \$500-\$5000) which are ready for immediate sale.*

*I look forward to reading from you.*

*Best Regards,*

*Richard.*

After I replied to this similar email in 2005 and we made the purchase transaction of art that he wanted to buy from my website and his credit card went through, he then emailed me if I could send some radios made only in the United States.

I immediately became suspicious and contacted the credit card company. Because I assumed he was also using a stolen credit card (which he was).

I did not send any art to Nigeria. I have received this same type of email a numerous times over the

last 20 years. They start out with wanting to purchase, after the initial purchase of art, they ask you for electronics, that they cannot get in their country. Or in the case of this email from Richard it may be money orders, I can't quite remember his scam.

Please be aware when you are on the internet. There are scammers everywhere.

### Grain Market

Berthold Farmers Elevator's Grain Merchandiser, Morgan Hall, reports:

Harvest has picked back up midweek after the healthy rainfall last weekend.

We have not seen a big difference in quality on soybeans before and after the rain.

With the government shutdown, we do not have any export sales, supply and demand, or harvest progress reports to update on. We also do not have word on any farm government payments yet.

It sounds like they will happen, but not sure structure or dollar figures. Wheat continues to trade sideways. Nothing fundamentally at this point has helped wheat move higher except for a lack of farmer selling.

Brazil is 15% planted on soybeans. Yields around here have been all over the place, from 25-60 bpa. We have been having discussions about moving beans, selling beans, bagging beans etc.

If you are planning to store soybeans, please remember that our typical export window ends when Brazil takes their beans off in Feb-March.

Canola seems to have bottomed out for the time being coming out of harvest. Flax has stayed steady, durum is lower on good supply in the pipeline, and feed markets are low with high production expectations for corn harvest. Don't forget to check your bins.

Check out our website for the most up to date hours and space. Download our app to get access to prices, scale tickets, contracts, etc. Have a great week!

Enjoy these fall days.

Sincerely, Barb

## “L” is for leaf!



As part of their study of the letter L, the Berthold preschoolers went on a leaf hunt in the arboretum near the school with their teacher, Mrs. Melissa Lahti. They collected leaves of all shapes, sizes, and colors. It was a beautiful fall day filled with excitement and discovery!



## Baking apple pies has the preschoolers and 5th grade working together



The preschoolers teamed up with their fifth-grade buddies for a sweet and special project—baking homemade apple pies. The preschoolers and their buddies carefully cut out pie crusts and filled them with apple pie filling sprinkled with cinnamon. Once the pies were filled, the kids got creative with their tops. Some rolled out extra dough to make classic lattice designs, while others used cookie cutters to shape decorative leaves for a festive touch. After the pies were baked, each child took one home to share with their families. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the season—and a tasty one, too.

## Public Notice

### Carpio City Council Meeting Minutes October 6, 2025 Carpio City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burkett at 6:32pm. Council members present were Peter Thorp, Megan Wentworth and Kelvin Faul. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilwoman Wentworth moved that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as submitted. Councilman Thorp seconded the motion. Carried by all.

Visitors Present: Mallory from Moore Engineering.

**Unfinished Business:**

Wastewater Treatment Facility project update by Mallory with Moore Engineering. Interior components are being finished up. Grading of the pond and surrounding area being worked on. There is a delay in putting the system online as the contractor is awaiting delivery of a component. It has been found that a Bentonite clay liner for the pond is not compatible with the soil there. A synthetic liner is needed. Change order submitted. Due to the rehab project, the flow rate into the system has been reduced. The size of the pond could possibly be reduced but that would put completion out until 2026 as the DEQ wants a history of flow rates. It was decided there is more information needed on options and expenses before a decision is made on the change order. Special meeting to be called next week to discuss the answers. CAP #12 submitted. Motion to approve by Councilman Faul. Second

by Councilman Thorp. Carried by all.

Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project update. All spot repairs have been completed. Contractor back on sight on Monday with new liner to complete the work. CAP #3 submitted. Motion by Councilman Thorp to approve. Second by Councilwoman Wentworth. Carried by all. Change order for McKinley Ave pipe replacement submitted. Council decided to line the existing pipe rather than replace it.

CWSRF draw request for \$262,117.33 submitted to auditor for signature.

Paving project is complete. Bill mailed to the grain elevator for their half as per agreement.

No update from the city's attorney regarding the old bank building, however Ward County is now the listed owner of the property. Auditor to contact the county regarding unpaid sewer bills and movement forward with clean up of the property.

Opening a Money Market account to gain some interest on the funds in the sales tax income account was discussed. Councilman Thorp moved to open a money market account and authorize city auditor to move funds as needed. Second by Councilman Faul. Carried by all.

**New Business:**

Gambling permit application received from Gasmann Coulee Cruisers to hold a raffle at Z-Bar on Jan 17, 2026. Motion by Councilman Faul to approve. Second by Councilwoman Wentworth. Carried by all.

Mayor Burkett indicated one mow citywide mow of the grass then shut down and prepare the equipment for winter.

Building Permits: None

Gambling Permits: None

The monthly financial report was reviewed. Councilwoman Wentworth moved that the bills be paid. Second by Councilman Faul. Carried by all.

Bills paid were as follows:

Check 6546: MDU .....	\$1,043.59
Check 6547: Ann Gates .....	\$1,089.50
Check 6548: SRT .....	\$195.45
Check 6549: Circle Sanitation .....	\$1,976.75
Check 6550: Coulee Services .....	\$720.00
Check 6551: Farmer's Union Oil .....	\$401.30
Check 6552: Kenmare News .....	\$108.04
Check 6553: North Prairie Regional Water .....	\$176.08
Check 6554: City of Berthold .....	\$3,273.88
Check 6555: Jamestown Communications .....	\$62.50
Check 6556: McGee, Hankla & Backes .....	\$116.00
Check 6557: United Agronomy .....	\$649.00
Check 6558: Todd Fern Const. ...	\$13,900.00
Check 6559: Bechtold Paving .....	\$20,029.60
Auto withdrawal: Reinan Business Solutions .....	180.00
Auto withdrawal: Town & Country Credit Union .....	\$3,036.65

Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.

Next meeting: November 3, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Ann Gates, City Auditor

Austin Burkett, City Auditor

## Public Notice

### Donnybrook City Council Meeting September 8, 2025

The Donnybrook City Council met September 8, 2025 at 8 pm.

Donnybrook Final Budget Hearing: Present: Dennis Huff, Nick Wooster, Kristine Goettle, Nicole Michalenko. Dennis Huff called the meeting to order.

Jason Keen made a motion to approve the 2026 final budget for the City of Donnybrook. Nick Wooster 2nd. Roll call: Nick Wooster - yes, Jason Keen - yes,

Kristine Goettle - yes. All in Favor, M/C. Jason Keen made a motion to adjourn the budget hearing. Kristine Goettle 2nd. All in Favor, M/C. Meeting ended at 8:13 PM.

The Donnybrook City Council met September 8, 2025 at 8:15 pm.

Donnybrook City Council Meeting: Present: Dennis Huff, Nick Wooster, Kristine Goettle, Nicole Michalenko. Dennis Huff called the meeting to order. Jason Keen made a motion to approve the previous minutes as written and

presented. Nick Wooster 2nd. All in Favor, M/C. Jason Keen made a motion to approve the financial report as written and presented. Kristine Goettle 2nd. All in Favor, M/C.

Jason Keen made a motion to approve the bills and pay out of appropriate funds. Nick Wooster 2nd. All in Favor, M/C.

Jason Keen made a motion to adjourn. Kristine Goettle 2nd. All in Favor, M/C.

Submitted by: Nicole Michalenko, auditor.