

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CAVALIER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Michael T. Johnson, Deceased.

Probate No. 10-2025-PR-00022

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 months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be either presented to the Personal Representative of the estate: Kim J. Johnson, P.O. Box 725, Walhalla, ND 58282, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 18th date of November 2025.

Kim J. Johnson
PO Box 725
Walhalla, ND 58282
Personal Representative

Quentin B. Wenzel
908 Third Street
Langdon, ND 58249
Attorney for Personal Representative

First Publication on the 5th day of December 2025.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, CAV-ALIER COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Harold Weston, Deceased.

Probate No. 10-2025-PR-00007

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 months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be either presented to Gail Weston, personal representative of the estate, at 1321 4th St #4, Langdon, ND 58249, or filed with the Court.

Dated this the 12th day of November, 2025.

Gail Weston
Personal Representative
1321 4th St #4
Langdon, ND 58249

Mondragon Law Office
Angelo S. Mongragon
P.O. Box 151
Langdon, ND 58249-0151

First Publication on the 21st day of November, 2025

Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process: Public Participation

Allo Towers proposes the construction of a guyed style telecommunications tower within a 50' x 50' lease area approximately 0.14 miles west-southwest of 159th Ave. NE & 97th St. NE, Pembina, Pembina County, ND. The height of the tower will be 76.2-meters above ground level (250-feet above ground level) and 77.7 meters above ground level including appurtenances (255-feet above ground level with appurtenances). Proposed project will include ground disturbance. Members of the public interested in submitting comments on the possible effects on historic properties included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places may send their comments to Andrew Smith, RESCOM Environmental Corp., PO Box 361 Petoskey, MI 49770 or call 260-385-6999.

DAKOTA DATEBOOK: Splitting Dakota

December 15, 2025 – This date in 1885 was one piece of the timeline moving Dakota Territory to statehood as John Sherman, president pro tempore of the 49th U.S. Congress, was presented with a constitution and memorial assembled by Dakota Territory's legislature. These intensely worded documents gave reasons for splitting the territory, with the half south of the 46th parallel to be given statehood as South Dakota.

Indiana Senator Benjamin Harrison was part of the effort from the start. He introduced a bill on this date in 1885 to admit South Dakota as a state and to organize the northern division as a Territory. An amendment in the bill gave that new territory the name of Lincoln. The Senate passed the bill in February 1886, but the House Committee on Territories was opposed.

Other bills followed in January 1886 on how to divide Dakota Territory, including possible statehood options. Admitting the entire territory as a state was one such option. Another suggested splitting Dakota Territory along the Missouri River, letting the eastern residents submit for statehood.

More bills were introduced in 1887 and '88. One admitting Dakota as a state passed the Senate in 1888, but no bill dividing Dakota as north and south succeeded. Eventually, Dakota Territory's 1887 legislature put the matter of the north-south division to a vote. That November, over 67,000 people cast their ballot. Northern residents opposed the division with only four counties in favor: Burleigh, Ramsey, Grand Forks and Ward. But overall, 55 percent of the voters favored the division.

Bitterness followed in the years afterward. Southern Dakota Territory officials still felt sore over the capital moving from Yankton to Bismarck in 1883, and Democrats in general opposed the division. However, the election of Republican Benjamin Harrison as president in 1888 set the stage for statehood.

At 3:40 p.m. on November 2, 1889, Harrison signed North and South Dakota into statehood using an eagle feather. Before doing so, Secretary of State James Blaine shuffled and cov-

ered the statehood proclamations to avoid bickering over which state came first.

“They were born together – they are one and I will make them twins,” Harrison said as he signed the Dakotas into statehood.

Dakota Datebook by Jack Dura

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Langdon City Commission
Regular Meeting
November 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Commission members present Jerry Nowatzki, Lawrence Henry, Darin Kaeracher, Cody Schlittenhard and Chuck Downs. Department heads present – Tom Beauchamp, Jason Busse, and Brent Benoit. Also, present Kristi Nowastski, Hillary Nowatski, RoxAnne Hennager – City Auditor.

Pledge of Allegiance: J. Nowatzki led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Public Comment: Jerry wanted to congratulate all the Langdon area sports for all their great accomplishments in the couple of weeks.
Approval of Minutes: C. Downs made a motion to approve November 10, 2025, minutes, seconded by L. Henry. Motion carried.
Additions to Agenda: Meeting times, and dilapidated houses.
Correspondence:
Department Reports:
Street: B. Beniot reported they got the plows put together today.
Fire Department: L. Henry reported that the new radios are in and they will be starting training.
Water and Sewer: J. Busse stated they discharged the lagoon today and one of the lift stations' check valves had to be replaced.
Sanitation: T. Beauchamp reported he's been working on renewing permits.
Police: No report.
Activity Center: C. Schlittenhard stated all is running smoothly.
Auditors: R. Hennager informed the commission that there have been two requests to shut off services without having a working curb stop. The commission all agreed that we have to stick to the way the ordinance is written and not shut anything off until there is a working curb stop. Hennager also reported that the 2022 audit is finished and the auditor has everything needed for 2023.
Unfinished Business: **Citywide Street Project (Mayo Construction)**
Construction is wrapped up for the year. Seal coat and corrective items next year
Change Order #8, Amount is \$26,000.00. Requesting motion for approval.
This change order is for the crushing of existing concrete material that was onsite prior to the project. This was previously discussed and approved by the Commission.
Contractor Application for Payment #12, Amount is \$213,264.33. Requesting motion for approval. Also have the Requisition for Payment (reimbursement request) for the Bank of North Dakota that needs signatures by both Commissioner Nowatzki and Auditor Hennager. This request is for \$220,495.22 and includes CAP 12 and a Moore Engineering project invoice.
Met with St. Alphonsus to go over the sidewalk area. There was a portion of the concrete area that was already on the list for replacement. In addition, we're working on additional concrete area to accommodate pedestrian activities at the church.
Water Tower Project (Classic Protective Coatings) The tower appears to be substantially complete although there are a few punch-list items. We have been reviewing the reports from KLM which indicate the appropriate coating thicknesses have been achieved and the tower coating is ready for acceptance. No Contractor Application for Payment this month.

New Business:
1. **Special Event Liquor License – Langdon Masonic Temple - C. Schlittenhard made a motion to approve the Special Event License, seconded by L. Henry. Motion carried.**
2. **T.R. Waind Insurance bid – Tables.**
3. **Meeting times – D. Kaercher asked if we could move the winter meetings to 5:00 instead of 6 p.m. RoxAnne will talk to Quentin.**

Building Permits: #5566 Tom and Sina Lawson. C. Schlittenhard made a motion to approve the building permit, seconded by D. Kaercher. Motion carried.

62376	ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	274.16
62377	CAVALIER COUNTY JDA	13742.43
62378	CAVALIER RURAL ELECTRIC COOP.	339.98
62379	DAKOTA FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	802.58
62380	FARMER'S UNION OIL CO.	2645.71
62381	HIWAY LAUNDRY	128.80
62382	JASON BUSSE	107.94
62383	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	9.38
62384	KNOK	695.00
62385	LANGDON FIRE DEPARTMENT	113.16
62386	LANGDON HARDWARE & RENTAL	862.09
62387	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	1106.56
62388	NORTHEAST REGIONAL WATER	20214.77
62389	OTTERTAIL POWER CO.	6464.75
62390	ROXANNE HENNAGER	706.99
62391	SAMSON ELECTRIC	997.09
62392	THE CAR CLINIC	695.54
62393	THOMAS BEAUCHAMP	80.44
62394	UP NORTH GARAGE DOORS & MORE	1491.26

Bills of Approval –C. Downs made the motion to approve bills as presented, seconded by L. Henry. With C. Schlittenhard abstaining. Motion Carried.

Adjourn – L. Henry made a motion to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.

Jerry Nowatzki, President

RoxAnne Hennager, Auditor

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