

Weigel Puts 42 Years In

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with family, vacation and maybe even take a college class and try something new. "I like to stay busy. I look forward to spending more time outdoors and work part time at different places in the area," she noted.

Cheryl said there is currently no replacement for the postmaster position in Napoleon/Streeter, but the job will be appointed internally and currently will be managed by employee Sierra Schumacher. "Please be patient," Weigel suggested, as she noted there are about 600 mailing addresses in Napoleon and 155 in Streeter.

History taken from the 1984 Napoleon Centennial Book:

The first post office was established on May 12, 1884 at "Paul", Logan County, ND. "Gage City" was the first name requested and that was turned down because it was a double name. In 1886 the name Paul changed to Napoleon and mail was delivered once a week, on a route from Steele.

Postmasters have included: James A. Weed - 1884; Augusta J. Weed - 1885; Walter M. Leonard - 1886; George Laney - 1903; Orren House - 1914; Marion Houser - 1923; Luverne M. Houser - 1929;



Cheryl Weigel (left) and Millie Nicholson at the Napoleon Post Office on February 4, 1995, when Weigel began as the Postmaster and Nicholson retired, plus it was Millie's 60th birthday.



In 2019 Cheryl Weigel was part of a "America Strong" postcards & program, helping celebrate the 100th birthday of the Napoleon Barry Hoof American Legion. Weigel said there was a special pictorial cancellation at the school celebrating the birthday and the kids also sent thank you postcards to the local veterans. NPS 1st graders in 2019 helping with the project included: front (l-r): Emery Haas, Corbin Leier, Gabby Ketterling, Hailey Kleppe, Annaleigh Foster and Anna Brendel; middle: Eegen Weigel, Trey Rau, Wyatt Schumacher, Ayden Mann, Isaac Woodrow, Avery Moch and Autumn Moch; back: American Auxillary member Helen Braun and Napoleon PM Cheryl Weigel.



Cheryl Weigel held an open house during the holiday season in December 2024, in celebration of her upcoming retirement.

Florence F. Davenport - 1930; Peter Meier - 1934; Walter F. Sheldon - 1943; John J. Kambeitz - 1971; Paul A. Malsom - 1978; Mildred A. (Wentz) Nicholson - 1979; Cheryl R. Weigel - 1995.

Rural regular carriers through the years have been Ed Carlsten, AJ Olig, Math A. Gross, Al Bitz, Willie P. Piatz, Marvin Olson, Steven Wentz and Deran Piatz.

In 1884, when the "Paul" (Napoleon Post Office) opened, a first-class postage stamp in the United States cost two cents. Currently a first-class stamp is 73 cents.

Minutes of Logan County Commissioners

SPECIAL MEETING Board of Logan County Commissioners Napoleon, ND December 23, 2024 (Unofficial or subject to approval)

A special meeting of the Board of Logan County Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 am by Chairperson John Wald. Present were Commissioners Blanche Schumacher and Bryan Batsch and Auditor Jody Kristiansen. Jessica Wald represented the Napoleon Homestead. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Wald motioned, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the auditor's list of vouchers prepaid and proposed for payment during the month of December. All voted in favor; motion carried.

The following is a list of the vouchers with invoices attached which were authorized for payment by the Board:

14218-Jody Horner-Chemical cost share	500.00
14219-Cora Stickle-Chemical cost share	443.69
14220-Lyle Miller-Chemical cost share	306.78
14221-Les Otto-Chemical cost share	500.00
14222-Pius Wald-Chemical cost share	1,267.20
14223-Blair Bechtle-Chemical cost share	1,604.88
14224-Brooks Bechtle-Chemical cost share	1,604.88
14225-Blake Bechtle-Chemical cost share	1,604.88
14226-Marvin Miller-Chemical cost share	192.00
14227-Dale Sand-Chemical cost share	1,267.20
14228-Ron & Duwayne Ketterling-Chemical cost share	3,204.92
14229-James Leier-Chemical cost share	140.00
14230-Rolland Saylor-Chemical cost share	500.00
14231-Emmons County Weed Board-Clayton Pearce hours reimbursement	83.25
14232-RDO Equipment-bulk DEF, cutting edges, 772CH repairs	16,959.96
14233-Main Street Hardware-Powerstrip, diesel treat & rodent control	168.94
14234-Gackle Coop Oil Co-Bulk fuel, official travel & wipers	4,590.17
14235-Northside Napa-2007 KW truck maintenance	96.92
14236-Central Dakota Frontier-Official travel, tires, bulk fuel	4,402.41
14237-Little Falls Machine-Cutting edge, pin, key & bolts	468.68
14238-Martell's True Value-Toilet paper for Lehr shop	6.99
14239-Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative-Gackle Shop electricity	161.60
14240-Allied Energy-LP Heating Gackle & Lehr Shops	1,125.60
14241-Superior Fenders-Fender for JD 772G	3,000.00
14242-Kevin Ehrlichman-reimburse for garage heater	148.39
14243-Istate Truck Centers-door latch, striker kit & handle release	371.04
14244-Logan County Auditor-Gravel, Road Maintenance & repairs	14,910.00
14245-Butler Machinery-55Gal drum of 0W20 & 2018 CAT 140M repair	1,856.28
14246-KEM Electric-Napoleon Shop electricity	67.30
14247-Menard's-Reflective numbers & letters	4.08
14248-Hoberg Ranch-Pit Run removed in 2024	4,185.00
14249-Ralph & Lorraine Rivinius-Pit Run removed in 2024	450.00
14250-Richard Nenow-Clay material removed in 2024	12,996.00
14251-Darrell & Danita Bitz-Pit Run removed	

in 2024	414.00
14252-Andrew & Lorraine Piatz-Pit Run removed in 2024	4,773.00
14253-James & Charlotte Glatt-payment for semi-processed material	1,560.00
14254-Computer Express-monthly contract, server tapes & battery backup	8,039.93
14255-Kyle Friez-reimburse for dog food	67.99
14256-Uniform Center-Uniforms for Jangula	157.98
14257-Office of Attorney General-August, September & October SCRAM fees	350.00
14258-Lila Wirt-Reimburse for food pantry items	358.06
14259-Dustin Hammond-reimburse internet for December 2024	96.50
14260-Verizon-5G mobile broadband	51.44
14261-Information Technology Dept-VPN/Wan/Office 365	964.15
14262-Gackle Streeter School-soda for LEPC meeting	13.75
14263-John Wald-mileage for LEPC meeting in Gackle	56.28
14264-Richard Bjerkli-mileage for LEPC meeting in Gackle	56.28
14265-Josh Becker-mileage for LEPC meeting in Gackle	40.20
14266-Napoleon American Legion-Flag for Courthouse	30.00
14267-Napoleon Homestead-Publish abstract of votes, minutes & printer paper	1,056.73
14268-Napoleon Oil Co-Official travel	172.94
14269-Software Innovations Taxation upgrade & new server for courthouse	30,400.00
14270-Avid Hawk-CMS Website renewal	420.00
14271-Eide Bailly-Lenovo post warranty foundation service	619.00
14272-Burleigh-Morton Detention Center-Custody of Prisoner	100.00
14273-ND Surplus Property-cold weather gloves	20.00
14274-Schmitt Locker-gift certificates for Food Pantry baskets	1,100.00
14275-BEK Communications-phones for several offices	759.17
14276-KLJ Engineering-SRF application	2,085.93
14277-BEK Communications-Courthouse security internet	109.24
14278-Ultimate Training Munitions-training ammo, helmets & lens cleaner	1,838.75
14279-Sunset Law Enforcement-Ammo	3,687.00
14280-VISA-dog crate & bed	296.04
14281-VISA-Sheriff travel & holsters	149.31
14282-Logan County Treasurer-2024 Mobile home taxes	3,711.54
14283-Apex Electric-electrical work for key card access	280.50
14284-Dani's Place-pizza for LEPC meeting in Gackle	68.00
14285-Quadiant Leasing-postage machine lease	384.27
14286-Nexus Planning & Consulting-Quarter 4 2024 mileage	691.44
14287-ND Association of Counties-onsite drug & alcohol testing	20.00

Eric Hoberg, Logan County Job Development Authority, requested the board make a motion to authorize the county auditor to submit an application to the Department of Water Resources Cost Share Program for preconstruction costs in the amount of \$200,000.00. Hoberg reported the JDA paid \$35,000.00 for a feasibility study to bring water from the Missouri River to irrigate portions of Logan County and that the State is now requesting a more in-depth study that must be completed in conjunction with the formation of the irrigation district.

Hoberg had Jim Guler, Moore Engineering, on phone who discussed the scope of the project and answered questions. Batsch questioned what would happen if the river water level was too low to pump. Hoberg stated that he had no answer to that particular question. Kristiansen questioned who would be responsible for the \$50,000.00 not covered by the cost share. Hoberg informed the Board that it would be his responsibility to raise the funds to cover the cost. He shared that he hopes Emmons County will participate in the irrigation district and he plans to request they pay \$35,000.00, to match the amount already paid by the JDA. He thinks he should be able to raise the remaining \$15,000.00 but, if unable to, he would have no other choice than to approach the Board with a request for the funds.

Schumacher requested the motion be tabled until a state's attorney opinion could be obtained. Hoberg said there was no need for the state's attorney's involvement at this point as there is nothing for him to review.

Wald motioned, seconded by Batsch, to authorize the county auditor to submit an application to the Department of Water Resources Cost Share Program for preconstruction costs in the amount of \$200,000.00. Wald and Batsch voted in favor; Schumacher voted against the motion. Motion carried.

The Board previously received written notice of the resignation of the present Logan County State's Attorney effective December 31, 2024. Following an examination of the state statutes and noting there is no licensed resident attorney in Logan County, and after reviewing resumes from three interested individuals, making their own personal contacts and upon the recommendation to the current State's Attorney and County Sheriff, Commissioner Schumacher moved, seconded by Commissioner Batsch, that the Board recommend that Logan County State's Attorney Isaac Zimmerman proceed to appoint Grant L. Walker as the Assistant State's Attorney in and for Logan County. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Board terms were addressed. Schumacher plans to contact Sam Ruff for the JDA Board and it was reported that Gerald Ruff will serve on the Weed Board.

Kristiansen shared information regarding a Local Government Capitol Connection meeting in Bismarck.

Schumacher shared the counties with rail report.

Tax Director, Trisha Laine, requested the Board authorize a user license for DocuPro for GIS Coordinator, Nathan Leier. Schumacher motioned, seconded by Wald, to authorize the signing of a contract with Tyler Tech and the payment of costs associated with a VPN for connection to the county server. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Kristiansen distributed revisions requested by Orsted to the signed Road Use Agreement for the Badger Wind Project.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 10:38 am. John Wald, Chairman

Attest:
Board of Logan County Commissioners
Jody Kristiansen
Logan County Auditor