

Public Notice

City of Tappen Regular Meeting November 3, 2025

The meeting was called to order. Members present were Brice Barnick, Mike Pfaff, Dale Dockter, Doug Kin-nischtzke and Pete Martin. The min-utes were read and treasury report reviewed. Mike moved to approve as presented, with Doug seconding. All in favor. MC

Weather permitting, Rohrich's Tree Service is scheduled to begin the tree removal project at the school grounds this week.

The Rural Catalyst Grant program was discussed. The board members will think about projects over the next few weeks and bring ideas to the next board meeting.

Kidder County School would like to rent another stall at the city bus barn. The board approved.

The bills were reviewed. Dale moved to approve, with Mike second-ing. All in favor. MC

A sample 'structure moving appli-cation' and 'moving permit' were re-viewed.

Starting in January 2026, the hall rent will increase to \$100. Starting this month, the school gym and kitchen can be rented with the rent being \$250.

The city was notified October 7, 2025, that we are eligible to receive a North Dakota Community Development Block Grant FY2025 in the amount of \$160,000. This is for a firetruck.

The full application is due Decem-ber 31, 2025. A Public Notice and No-tice of Public Hearing will be printed in the Steele Ozone and posted at the Tappen City Hall and Tappen Post Of-fice. The meeting will be held Monday, December 1, 2025 at the Tappen City Hall at 7:00 PM.

After discussion, Doug moved to adopt a Code of Conduct to ensure the efficient, fair, and professional ad-ministration of federal grant funds in compliance with 2CFR 200.3018(c)(1) and other applicable federal and state standards, regulations and laws. Pete seconded. All in favor. MC

The city will apply for gaming funds for 20 tables, 50 chairs, the carts that hold them and a floor scrubber. These are all items that are needed for the hall. We can also use the scrubber at the school gym.

Being there was no further busi-ness, Pete moved to adjourn. Second-ed by Doug. All in favor. MC

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| Payments Approved | |
| November 3, 2025 | |
| IRS/941..... | 283.36 |
| Theft ID Protection..... | 5.00 |
| Payroll - less deductions..... | 1,281.93 |
| Strom Sanitation..... | 2,233.60 |
| Bek Communications..... | 314.28 |
| SCRWD..... | 89.00 |
| Strom Sanitation/Clean Up... | 2,318.00 |
| Dalsted & Ryan..... | 200.00 |
| Bobcat..... | 2,302.92 |
| Brice Barnick/Reimburse..... | 66.90 |
| Marlin's..... | 42.86 |
| MDU..... | 1,566.31 |
| Tappen Farm Supply..... | 131.31 |
| D&E Supply..... | 134.65 |
| Total:..... | \$10,970.12 |

/s/ Mayor
Brice Barnick
/s/ Auditor
Noa Barnick

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

relating to Exploration and Production of Critical Minerals in Coal-Bearing Formations.
North Dakota Geological Survey
will hold public hearings to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.
Geological Survey
1:30 pm CST
Tues., Jan. 20, 2026
1000 E Calgary Ave
Bismarck, ND

Copies of the proposed rules will be available December 17, 2025 and may be obtained by writing the Geological Survey at 600 E. Blvd, Dept. 474, Bismarck, ND 58505-0614, or by calling (701) 328-8000. View changes at www.dmr.nd.gov/dmr/ndgs Comment in writing by 5pm January 30, 2026. Submit written comments to the Geological Survey (see address above) or ndgs@nd.gov. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Geological Survey at the above address or phone number by January 12, 2026.

STATEMENT OF CLAIM OF MINERAL INTERESTS

Under the provisions of Chapter 38-18.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned does have, own and claim to be the owner of an undi-vided interest in and to the oil, gas, oth-er hydrocarbons, coal, clay, sand and gravel, uranium and other minerals of any kind and nature, unless otherwise noted, underlying the real estate de-scribed below in Kidder County, North Dakota.

Township 137N-R74W
Section 31: NW/4
FURTHER, that the undersigned desires to preserve such interest as reflected in the office of the County Re-corder of said County, and do not in-tend to abandon the same. The name and address of the owner is:

Stacey Leier Gluck, Trustee of the
Stacey Leier Gluck Family Land Trust
5676 Longs Peak St.
Brighton, CO 80601

Did you know?

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-vention, 90 percent of vision loss from diabetes can be prevented. Despite that, a sig-nificant number of people with diabetes are not getting routine eye exams that could protect their vision. A collaborative study between the CDC and researchers at Wills Eye Hos-pital in Philadelphia found that more than half of diabetes pa-tients skip their recommended annual dilated eye exams. Such exams are vital for dia-betes patients, as various con-ditions collectively referred to as diabetic eye disease pose a significant threat to patients' vision. Annual dilated eye exams are highly effective. In fact, the American Academy of Ophthalmology reports that such exams can prevent 95 percent of diabetes-related vi-sion loss.

Common Holiday Scams to Look Out For

The holiday season usually means fun with friends and fam-ily, goodwill and giving. Unfor-tunately, it's also a prime time for cybercriminals to perpetrate fraud. Here are some common holiday scams to look out for this holiday season:

Online shopping scams. Crimi-nals create professional-looking websites and ads promoting popu-lar items at steep discounts, but what you receive may be different than advertised—if you receive anything. Be cautious of unusu-ally low prices and avoid clicking on ads in emails, texts, or social media. For safer shopping, go directly to a trusted retailer's web-site or app and pay with a credit card for stronger protections.

Delivery scams. As holiday packages crisscross the country, scammers send out phishing emails and texts that appear to be from UPS, FedEx, or the U.S. Postal Service, notifying recipi-ents about incoming or missed de-liveries. Links lead to fake sign-in pages that request personal information, or to sites that may be infected with malware.

Gift card scams. Criminals steal gift cards in bulk from store racks, collect the information from the card, and return them to the rack for unsuspecting buyers. When the gift card is bought, criminals immediately drain the money. It is safer to buy cards that are kept behind the counter, or directly from the retailer's site.

Learn how to spot and avoid scams with AARP Fraud Watch Network™. Suspect a scam? Call our free helpline at 877-908-3360 and talk to one of our fraud spe-cialists about what to do next.

Preventing Holiday Package Thieves

With holiday shopping—and shipping—comes the risk of package theft. Thieves — often called “Porch Pirates” — steal millions of packages from Ameri-can doorsteps each year, totaling billions of dollars in merchandise. You can help protect your deliver-ies with a few simple steps.

Opt into delivery alerts, al-lowing you to track your package and know exactly when items arrive. If you won't be home, ask a trusted person to pick it up, or instruct the delivery person to place it out of sight.

Consider requesting a signa-ture upon delivery to ensure your package is handed to someone directly. You can also use alter-native pickup options, such as ship-to-store or secure locations offered by major retailers and delivery services.

If you're going out of town, ask USPS, FedEx, or UPS to hold your mail and packages until you return. USPS can hold mail for up to 30 days, and FedEx and UPS offer similar vacation hold options.

Stay informed and work with your neighbors. Agree to watch out for each other's deliveries and offer to take in mail when needed. Community resources like Next-door.com, Crime Stoppers, and social media updates from local law enforcement can also alert you to porch piracy in your area.

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Airline Call Center Scams: What to Know

With the holiday travel season fast approaching, scammers are poised to capitalize on travelers needing help with last-minute flight changes and cancellations. Don't let fake customer service derail your trip – or drain your wallet. Here's a few things you should know to stay ahead of airline call center scams.

Just because an airline customer service helpline number appears at the top of internet search results doesn't mean it's legitimate. Fraudulent numbers often surface in search results, and scammers constantly find new ways to make their numbers appear first. To avoid this risk, download your airline's official app. In addition to providing the airline's verified 800 number, the app delivers real-time flight notifications and other important updates.

Be on the lookout for red flags, such as aggressive tactics pushing you to buy a ticket immediately because “the price will go up.” And if your flight is canceled, you usually do not need to pay to be rebooked. Any “agent” requesting a credit card to do so is likely after your money, not your flight.

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Spot Fake Charity Donation Scams

As the year winds down and the season of giving sets in, many people look to support causes they care about—but telling a legiti-mate charity from a fake one can be tough. While reputable organi-zations make their year-end push for donations, criminals also take advantage of this opportunity to line their own pockets.

Common signs of a charity scam include requests for payment via gift cards, wire transfers, or cryptocurrency, as well as high-pressure demands to donate im-me-diately. Legitimate charities may also encourage timely giving, but they will welcome your support at any time.

To help ensure your donation reaches those who truly need it, do your research. Check organizations on sites such as give.org, CharityNavigator.org or CharityWatch.org to confirm legitimacy and find out how much of the funds are used to serve its stated mission versus overhead and fundraising.

Pay close attention to the char-ity's name and web address, as criminals often mimic the names of familiar, trusted organizations to deceive donors. Also, be cautious of links in unsolicited emails, texts, or social media messages, which can lead to fake donation websites and expose your device to malware.

When you do donate, use a credit card. It's easier to track your contribution, and if your card is misused, you have protection against loss. To avoid feeling pres-sured by unexpected solicitations, consider having a set list of chari-ties you support. That way, you can give confidently and on your own terms.

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Area Church Schedules

STEELE CHURCHES:
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church – Father Peter Sharpe, 701-475-2333. 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday, 9:00 a.m.; 2nd and 4th Sundays, 11:00 a.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church
Pastor Jacob DeBoer. 475-2490. Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.
United Methodist Church
Don Dinger, Pastor. Sunday worship, 9:00

DAWSON CHURCHES:
Dawson Lutheran Church
Pastor Jacob DeBoer. Worship service, 9:00 a.m. at Dawson City Hall

TAPPEN CHURCHES:
St. Paul's Catholic Church
Father Peter Sharpe. 1st, 4th, 5th Saturday: 4:00pm; 2nd Sunday: 9:00 am; 3rd Sunday: 11:00 am
St. John's Lutheran Church (Wisconsin Synod)
Rev. Karl DeMarce. Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School and Bible class, 11:00 a.m.; KSJB Radio Broadcast, 7:00 a.m.; Service on Ch. 26 BEK TV, 6:00 p.m. Sundays
Tappen Cornerstone Church
Pastor Brenda Goodman. Worship service 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS CHURCHES:
Faith Evangelical Church
Rev.Mike Kraemer,Pastor. Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 a.m.; Worship service, 11:00 a.m.

MEDINA CHURCHES:
St. Mary's Catholic
Father Peter Sharpe. 2nd and 3rd Saturday, 4:00 p.m.; 4th Sunday, 9:00 a.m.; 1st and 5th Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
Grace Emmanuel United Church.
Pastor Brenda Goodman. Worship service, 10:30 a.m.

TUTTLE CHURCHES:
English Lutheran Church
Vice Pastor Trish DeBoer - Worship service, 11:00 a.m.; Communion, 3rd Sunday and Festival Days;
Tuttle Community Church
Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 10:30 am .

ROBINSON CHURCHES:
Bethany Lutheran Church
Vice Pastor Trish DeBoer - Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.

PETTIBONE CHURCHES:
Our Savior's Luthean Church
104 Main St. N. Pettibone. Pastor Robert Hill Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sundays 8:30 am
Redeemer Lutheran Church 123 2nd Ave. NE Woodworth
Pastor Robert Hill Worship Service 1st. & 3rd Sundays 8:30 am.
STREETER CHURCHES:
Hope Ebenezer Church
Pastor Juwle Nagbe. Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., Fellowship, 9:00, Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

STERLING CHURCHES:
United Methodist
Pastor Marlin Sapp. 701-387-4792, 701-955-0005. Worship Service, 8:30 a.m.; Bible Study, Tuesday, 10:00, Sunday School @ 9:45

PUBLIC NOTICES

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