

## Mandan Police Report

The Mandan Police Department responded to 51 cases the week of April 27- May 3.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Monday, April 27: run-away/attempt to locate; information; hit and run accident; destruction/damage/vandalism; welfare check, criminal trespass; false information to PO, trespass of real property.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Wednesday, April 29: hit and run accident; hit and run accident; disorderly conduct; criminal warrants, welfare check; simple assault, resisting arrest; simple assault; destruction/damage/vandalism of property/criminal mischief; motor vehicle theft; weapons law violations.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Thursday, April 30: domestic dispute, driving with suspended license,

all other larceny-theft; terrorizing, weapon law violations, road rage; simple assault; motor vehicle accident, care required; domestic dispute, disorderly contact; suicidal subject.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Friday, May 1: drove without liability insurances, expired registrations, violation of drivers license restrictions; destruction/damage/vandalism of property/criminal mischief; credit car/automatic teller fraud; motor vehicle accident, care required; traffic violation; criminal warrants; driving with suspended license; terrorizing; simple assault, domestic dispute; trespass of real property, all other offenses.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Saturday, May 2: false information to PO, criminal warrants; motor vehicle accident, care re-

quired; missing person/attempt to locate, found property, driving under the influence, failure to yield right of way (warning only); non-violent child neglect and abuse.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Sunday, May 3: domestic dispute, welfare check; false information to PO, driving with revoked license, driving under the influence, drove left of center line (warning); simple assault, driving under the influence, refusal to submit chemical test, hit and run accident; forgery/counterfeit; all other larceny-theft; driving with revoked license, failure to use turn signal; domestic dispute; driving under the influence, reckless endangerment; animal bite (warning only); all other larceny-theft; domestic dispute, detox, MIP/MIC; welfare check.

## Pool

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to \$2-3 million before the purchasing of land. Different ideas reportedly thrown around for inclusion in the community center raised the price of the project.

The overall cost, land included, now sat at the aforementioned \$4-5 million, which was well above the current park board budget, even including the potential million-dollar Hoovestol grant.

Boehm explained that following advice from the North Dakota Community Grant Foundation, the park board reverted back to their original plan of renovating the swimming pool. As costs for a new pool would have forced the board to raise an extra \$1.4 million they were unsure they could raise, Boehm said the next best project was to renovate the pool house.

The plan for the pool house is for the building to undergo renovations as it was noted to be in need repairs and in need to be ADA compliant.

The project will require the board to undergo the purchasing and moving of a pump for the pool, purchasing of pipes, and the construction and expansion of the pool house.

The main issue potentially in the way of the park board's pool project is the amount of time that has passed since the Hoovestol grant was first donated. According to John Heinen, area director of the NDCF who helps assist the New Salem Grant Foundation, there was no original timeline for

the money to be used, but the clock is now ticking for project ideas.

"I have input from the family that says they want next the best done. We just had a meeting with the committee and we're talking about trying to get at least some of the value distributed into the community," Heinen explained.

Some of the value Heinen spoke to were smaller projects that would come at a great benefit to Almont and New Salem, as wanted by the Hoovestol family. The \$1 million, while having generated good ideas, would not be enough for some of the projects that have been discussed as the projects would require more funding and commitment from the community.

While there is no set timeline for the money to be used, Heinen says the foundation wants to be fair to the family and have the grant money be used soon. If not, Heinen shared that the grant foundation has been given permission to endow the money and distribute funds over multiple years into the community for smaller projects.

"Our job is only to make sure that these revenues can be used in the community," Heinen added. "It's unfair for the money just to sit there. It's not generating revenue for the community right now. Our next best, and the family said that it was okay to do, is to basically take chunks. We're looking at doing chunks into the endow-

ment over the next year and a half and allowing the community to come up with smaller projects that maybe would put immediate money to use."

Intent on getting a plan together to officially present to the grant foundation, the park board purchased master plans from The Origin Group in March for \$7500.

The Origin Group had aided in the architectural planning for the city of Steele in renovating their pool and in Herried, SD and were invited by board member Blaise Olson to attend the March meeting.

At their most recent meeting on Wednesday, April 15, the board agreed to contract The Origin Group to serve as their engineers.

The group will assist the park board in the bidding process for the project while overseeing construction.

The board intended on meeting with the engineers on Tuesday, April 21 to better understand full costs and a potential timeline for the project.

Boehm stated the engineers had brought examples of work that could be done to the inside and outside of the pool house building to show to the board and are now working on rough estimates to be provided at a later date. The park board also convened for an unofficial meeting on Wednesday, April 29, where Boehm stated Heinen was briefed on their current plan.

## Morton County Commission Proceedings

### MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING APRIL 9, 2026

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on April 9, 2026 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Boehm at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Buckley, Zachmeier, Tokach and Morrell and Auditor Rhone. Also present were Sheriff Kirchmeier and States Attorney Koppy.

Buckley moved and Tokach seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Tokach seconded to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2026 special meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2026 regular meeting. All voting aye,

motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Morrell seconded to approve bills and payroll. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve the Morton-Mandan Events Weather Policy. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve abatements #7404-7206. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatements #7207-7208. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to accept the low bid from Siteworx in the amount of \$666,333.31 for the replacement of bridge #30-145-11.0. Voting aye: Tokach, Buckley, Zachmeier and Boehm; abstaining: Morrell. Motion carried.

Tokach moved and Zachmeier seconded to approve the Township Road Mileage Certification for submission to the

Office of the North Dakota State Treasurer. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the 2025 budget amendments as presented. Roll call vote, Zachmeier, Tokach, Morrell, Buckley and Boehm voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment period as required by NDCC 44-04-20.1 was opened at 6:50PM. There was no public comment and comment period was closed at 6:50PM.

The total of all county funds expended from March 25, 2026 through April 9, 2026 equals \$1,534,434.99.

A detailed list of funds expended by check is available for public inspection anytime during regular business hours at the Morton County Auditor's Office.

Morell moved and Tokach seconded to adjourn at 6:51PM.

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