

Forage Matters: Cover Crops, Grazing And Nitrogen Fixation

By James Rogers, Forage Crops Production Specialist NDSU Extension
I am often asked, "Can I graze cover crops?" The answer is yes, you can.

Sometimes a label we give something pigeonholes it for a specific purpose, making it difficult to think about its use in other ways. When cover crops became a hot topic a few years ago, I tried to relabel them as "forage-covers" because they are multiuse crops, they provide ecosystem services, feed and forage to livestock. The term forage-covers never took off. I guess it doesn't have the same ring as cover crops.

There are considerations for grazing cover crops to keep in mind. In the northern Great Plains, the vast majority of cover crop species are spring cereals (cool-season annuals) such as oats, barley, wheat and triticale. Spring cereals do not require a vernalization period for flowering, meaning they grow rapidly from vegetative to reproductive. If planted in May, the grazing period for the spring annuals might last 30-45 days, ending in late June to early July. This amount of available grazing may work fine if you want to rest perennial pastures before turnout. Forage quality of spring cereal crops is high and will suit livestock with high nutritional requirements, such as first-calf heifers. This contrasts with southern regions, where winter cereals are planted and can be grazed for as long as six months due to their longer vegetative period.

You have a couple of options for extending the grazing period beyond early spring. To the spring cereal, you can add a warm-season annual grass, such as a millet or sorghum-sudangrass. The idea is that the warm-season grass will fill in behind the spring cereal. This might require removing livestock from the pasture after the spring cereal has been grazed to allow for the warm-season crop to develop.

Another option would be to establish an area early to a cool-season crop and another area later to a warm-season crop. This staging of crops can increase total forage production and facilitate an easy transition between forage sources. Another

option to add additional grazing days would be to plant a mixture. Barley is the earliest maturing of the cool-season crops mentioned above, triticale is the latest and oats fall in between. Blending a combination can help stretch the grazing period. Other species can also be added depending on your goals. For example, adding a tap-rooted crop can add diversity and improve soil health. Legumes can also be added to improve nitrogen fixation and forage quality.

Another question I hear is, "I want to add a legume, so I don't have to apply nitrogen fertilizer, right?" That's a good reason, so how does that work? It works by the legume plant forming a symbiotic relationship with rhizobia bacteria. Symbiotic relationships function by each organism in the relationship receiving benefits from the other. The legume plant provides food in the form of carbohydrates to the rhizobia bacteria living in specialized plant root nodules. In return, the rhizobia bacteria fix atmospheric nitrogen into ammonia, which the plant then takes and uses.

The amount of nitrogen fixed by a legume varies by many factors, such as species, whether it is grown as a monoculture or mixture, length of the growing season, yield, environmental conditions, soil-available nitrogen and soil pH. In general, the ability to fix nitrogen is highest in perennial legumes, then cool-season annual legumes, then summer annual legumes. Nitrogen fixation is higher when the legume is grown as a monoculture than in a mixture. For legumes to fix nitrogen, it takes energy. If there is ample inorganic nitrogen in the soil, the legume will happily use this source of nitrogen rather than fix its own.

Legumes do have the ability, when conditions are right, to fix large amounts of nitrogen, no doubt about that. To capture the most of that fixed nitrogen, the legume should be cycled back into the soil through plant decay or by grazing and cycling through the animal and back to the soil. When legumes are harvested as hay and removed from the field, the majority of the nitrogen fixed by the plant moves with the bale.

This is a pretty big topic, so look for more about the transfer of nitrogen from legumes to other plants in next month's edition of Forage Matters.

AARP Fraud Alert: Investment Scams Promise Big Return But Deliver Big Losses

Criminals steal billions by promoting fake investment opportunities that promise quick, guaranteed, or low risk returns. They may sound professional and convincing, but they exist for one reason: to steal your money.

Scammers often reach victims through seemingly errant text messages or on social media and dating platforms. Many build trust over time before the "investment opportunity" arises. But the opportunity is fake, and when you try to withdraw your gains, they invent fees, taxes or technical problems, then disappear altogether.

As exciting as a new invest-

ment opportunity sounds, this is high-risk territory, and the financial consequences can be life-altering. Always research the investment and the person offering it. You can find great resources at SEC's investor.gov website as well as FINRA's brokercheck.gov tool. Scammers rely on targets acting with emotion rather than logic, this is from their playbook.

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 AARP's fraud specialists about what to do next.

NDDA Joins Global Recognition Of Women In Agriculture

The North Dakota Department of Agriculture is joining other entities around the world in participating in the International Year of the Woman Farmer, declared by the United Nations for 2026. The designation highlights the role women play in ensuring global food security.

"Women farmers have always played an important role in North Dakota's agricultural industry," Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring said. "In Native American culture, women were the primary farmers. Later, up to twenty percent of homestead claims in North Dakota were women. North Da-

kota is currently home to more than 13,000 women producers and we are grateful for the hard work they do each day to feed our state, nation and world. Besides farm fields and ranches, women play a significant role in the food supply chain including farm inputs and services, processing, distribution, trade, marketing and retail."

NDDA has been highlighting women farmers on their website and social media channels and is seeking more stories to share as part of their yearlong spotlight. Stories may be submitted on the NDDA website.

Proceedings Of The Mountrail County Planning Commission

MINUTES MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MARCH 23, 2026

The meeting of the Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Commission was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Charlie Sorenson with Commissioners Cameron Tomjack, Joan Hollekim, Darren LeRohl, Arlo Borud, and Jesse Weyrauch present. Commissioner Doug Bratvold joined the meeting at 8:40 a.m. Absent were Commissioners Tess Jarmin and Trudy Ruland. Also present were Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Administrator Melissa Vachal, Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Assistant Malinda Gunderson, Mountrail County State's Attorney Wade Enget, Mountrail County Tax Equalization Director Kim Savage, Mountrail County Property Assessor Lisa Wolla, Mountrail County Weed Control Officer Jim Hennessy and Mountrail County Auditor Stephanie Pappa.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Moved by Commissioner Borud, seconded by Commissioner Tomjack, to approve the agenda. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner Weyrauch, to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission minutes of the February 23, 2026 meeting as corrected. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

1. 8:35 a.m. Hannah Kowalski-Applciant; Judy Vedaa-Landowner; (PZ-2026-0028) Conditional Use

Zoning Request/Conditional Use Permit for the following described property: a tract of land 2.00 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2 located in the SW¼NW¼ of Section 16, Township 156 North, Range 92 West (Ross Township) (Parcel# 19-0007410)

The applicant (represented by Hannah Kowalski) is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of placing a modular home on land zoned Agricultural. Applicant has met all requirements of the Planning & Zoning Board.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner Borud, to approve the zoning request filed by Hannah Kowalski with concurrence from Judy Vedaa-landowner, for a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of placing a modular home on land zoned Agricultural on a tract of land 2.00 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2 located in the SW¼NW¼ of Section 16, Township 156 North, Range 92 West (Ross Township), as Hannah Kowalski with concurrence from Judy Vedaa-landowner, for a Variance for a 0' setback rather than the required 7½' setback along the alleyway, due to the length of the house being 76' and the location of an existing shed on the lot that houses the water well. Once the applicant has the house placed where it needs to be on the property, the applicant will document the as built setback with Administration. Applicant has met all requirements of the Planning & Zoning Board.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner Weyrauch, to approve the zoning request filed by Kyle Nichols with concurrence from Mountrail County Land Development Code. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

2. 8:38 a.m. Caleb Bates -Applciant/Landowners (PZ-2026-0039) Variance

Variance Application request for the following described property: a tract of land 3.07 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2 less a 100' square tract in NW¼ of said Outlot 2, Original Townsite of Blaisdell, located in the SE¼NE¼ of Section 14, Township 156 North, Range 89 West (McGahan Township) (Parcel# 16-0025400)

The applicant (represented by Caleb Bates) is seeking a Variance Permit for the purpose of placing a mobile home that is older than 8 years on land zoned Residential. The home has had a new roof installed and applicant will have one year (beginning on April 1st, 2026) to have the exterior of the home remodeled. Applicant has met all requirements of the Planning & Zoning Board.

Moved by Commissioner Borud, seconded by Commissioner Tomjack, to approve the zoning request filed by Caleb Bates, for a Variance for the purpose of placing a mobile home that is older than 8 years on land zoned Residential on a tract of land 3.07 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2 less a 100' square tract in NW¼ of said Outlot 2, Original Townsite of Blaisdell, located in the SE¼NE¼ of Section 14, Township 156 North, Range 89 West (McGahan Township) contingent upon the applicant completing the remodel of the exterior of the mobile home by April 1st, 2027 as Caleb Bates has met all other criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Caleb Bates complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

3. 8:41 a.m. Caleb Bates-Applciant/Landowner; (PZ-2026-0018) Conditional Use

Zoning Request/Conditional Use Permit for the following described property: a tract of land 3.07 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2 less a 100' square tract in NW¼ of said Outlot 2, Original Townsite of Blaisdell, located in the SE¼NE¼ of Section 14, Township 156 North, Range 89 West (McGahan Township) (Parcel# 16-0025400)

The applicant (represented by Caleb Bates) is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of placing a mobile home on land zoned Residential. Applicant has met all requirements of the Planning & Zoning Board.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner Weyrauch, to approve the zoning request filed by Caleb Bates for a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of placing a mobile home on land zoned Residential on a tract of land 3.07 acres more or less, described as Outlot 2, Original Townsite of Blaisdell, located in the SE¼NE¼ of Section 14, Township 156 North, Range 89 West (McGahan Township) as Caleb Bates has met all other criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Caleb Bates complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

4. 8:44 a.m. Kyle Nichols-Applciant; Mountrail County Park Commission-Landowner; (PZ-2026-0041) Variance

Variance Application request for the following described property: a tract of land described as Lot 2, Block 13 of Traynor Park, located in the S½SW¼ of Section 29 & N½N¼ of Section 32, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (Van Hook Township) (Parcel# 45-0019137)

The applicant (represented by Kyle Nichols) is seeking a Variance Permit for a 0' setback rather than the required 7½' setback along the alleyway, due to the length of the house being 76' and the location of an existing shed on the lot that houses the water well. Once the applicant has the house placed where it needs to be on the property, the applicant will document the as built setback with Administration. Applicant has met all requirements of the Planning & Zoning Board.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner Weyrauch, to approve the zoning request filed by Kyle Nichols with concurrence from Mountrail County Park Commission-landowner, for a Variance for a 0' setback rather than the required 7½' setback along the alleyway, due to the length of the house being 76' and the location of an existing shed on the lot that houses the water well on a tract of land described as Lot 2, Block 13 of Traynor Park, located in the S½SW¼ of Section 29 & N½N¼ of Section 32, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (Van Hook Township) contingent upon the applicant submitting the as built setback to Administration for documentation as Kyle Nichols with concurrence from Mountrail County Park Commission-landowner, has met all other criteria as set forth in the Mountrail County Land Development Code and is further contingent upon Kyle Nichols with concurrence from Mountrail County Park Commission-landowner, complying with all other terms and conditions of the Mountrail County Land Development Code. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Temporary Water Permits - New - For Board Information Only

PZ-2026-0033 - Magnus Services LLC - Applicant, Robert & Deborah Clark - Landowners. State Water Permit #ND2025-23394 / PZ-2026-0047. Pumping of industrial water by lay flat hose: ND Energy Services - Applicant, Kimberly Duchene & Karen Hubbard - Landowners. NE¼SE¼ of Section 21, Township 155 North, Range 92 West (Alger Township) ending in the W½NW¼ of Section 33, Township 156 North, Range 92 West (Ross Township). Period of Authorized usage: 3/24/2026 through 12/31/2026. Pump placement on a tract of land 40.00 acres more or less located in the SE¼NE¼ of Section 15, Township 154 North, Range 94 West (Unorganized Township). Pending Administrative Approval

PZ-2026-0044 - Atlas Engineering LLC - Applicant, Justin B Lund Living Trust - Landowners. State Water Permit #ND2026-23537. Period of Authorized usage: 3/21/2026 through 12/31/2026. Pump placement on a tract of land 80.00 acres more or less located in the N½NW¼ of Section 10, Township 155 North, Range 92 West (Alger Township).

Oil Activity Report

Permits:
Iron Oil Operating, LLC, Twin Tractor 1-14-2H, NWNW 23-154N-89W, Mountrail Co., 415' FNL and 729' FWL, Development, Parshall, 2003' Ground, API #33-061-05682, Spacing unit: Sections 2, 11 and 14, T154N R89W, location outside of spacing unit

Iron Oil Operating, LLC, Twin Tractor 3-23-35H, NWNW 23-154N-89W, Mountrail Co., 415' FNL and 779' FWL, Development, Parshall, 2004' Ground, API #33-061-05683, Spacing unit: Sections 23, 26 and 35, T154N R89W

Additional Information:
Released from Confidential Status:

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Binger-157-94-1201H-2, SESW 12-157N-97W, Mountrail Co., Big Butte

Hunt Oil Company, Shell 153-89-17-6H-1, NENW 20-153N-89W, Mountrail Co., Parshall

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Hilleren-157-94-1336H-2, SESW 12-157N-94W, Mountrail Co., Big Butte

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Rohde-157-94-3625H-2, Lot 2 3-156N-94W, Mountrail Co., Big Butte

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Rohde-157-94-3625H-2, Lot 2 3-156N-94W, Mountrail Co., Big Butte

Hunt Oil Company, Burke 155-90-36-25H-2, SESE 36-155N-90W, Mountrail Co., Parshall

Hunt Oil Company, Meyer 155-89-31-30H-3, SESE 36-155N-90W, Mountrail Co., Parshall

Silver Hill Energy Operating, Texas E 158-92-8-20-3MBHX, SWSW 4-158N-92W, Mountrail Co., Cottonwood

Confidential Wells Plugged or Producing:

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Edwards-157-94-2203H-1, NENW 27-157N-94W, Mountrail Co.

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Will Trust C-157-94-2215H-5, NENW 27-157N-94W, Mountrail Co.

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Will Trust C-157-94-2215H-6, NENW 27-157N-94W, Mountrail Co.

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Will Trust C-157-94-2215H-6, NENW 27-157N-94W, Mountrail Co.

Hess Bakken Investments II, LLC, EN-Will Trust C-157-94-2215H-6, NENW 27-157N-94W, Mountrail Co.

Well Name Change:
Hunt Oil Company, Oakland 154-89-33-28H-1X, Lot 1 5-153N-89W, Mountrail Co., (Previous: Oakland 154-89-32-21H-1)

Disposal Now Completed:
Argent Midstream Solutions LLC, Bonnita SWD #1, NWNW 9-158N-92W, Mountrail Co.

Disposal Now Abandoned:
Henry Hill Oil Services, LLC, Van Eeckhout 33-5, NWSE 5-152N-88W, Mountrail Co.

More information on oil activity in the state can be found online at <https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/>.



Probate No. 31-2026-PR-00025 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MOUNTRAIL COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA In the Matter of the Estate of Armando D. Torres, Deceased
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 or mailing of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Dianna Beehler, Personal Representative of the Estate, at c/o Furuseh Olson & Evert, PC, PO Box 417, Williston, North Dakota 58802-0417, or filed with the Court. Dated this 6 day of April, 2026.
/s/ Dianna Beehler
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May 6, 13, 20, 2026



NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION OF WATER FROM SURFACE WATER

TAKE NOTICE THAT ATLAS ENGINEERING LLC, RAY, ND, has submitted Water Permit Application No. 7468 to the North Dakota Department of Water Resources for a permit to divert and appropriate water from Upper Cottonwood Lake.

The application requests an annual appropriation of 1,500.0 acre-feet of water for industrial use at a pumping rate of 8,500 gallons per minute, utilizing point(s) of diversion located in the E1/2 W1/2 of Sec. 05, T. 157 N., R. 092 W., Mountrail County.

TAKE NOTICE that written comments regarding the proposed appropriation must be filed in the Department of Water Resources, 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-5262, by 5 o'clock p.m., on the 5 day of June 2026. The Department of Water Resources shall consider all written comments received and prepare a recommended decision which will be provided to the applicant and any person who filed written comments. Those persons may file additional comments with the Department of Water Resources, request an adjudicative proceeding on the application, or both.

Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota, on April 20, 2026.

/s/ John Paczkowski, P.E.
State Engineer
Department of Water Resources
1200 Memorial Highway
Bismarck, ND 58504-5262
May 6, 13, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Measure to Extend the City Sales and Use Tax as allowed by the Home Rule Charter City of Stanley, North Dakota

The purpose of the Measure is: To extend the one and one-half percent (1½%) city sales and use tax for the City of Stanley as specified in the Home Rule Charter as amended, continue for community wide benefits for six years ending December 31, 2032.

Article X of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Stanley, North Dakota (also referenced as Chapter 15.0210 of the 1999 Revised Ordinances of the City of Stanley, North Dakota), allows for the amending of the Home Rule Charter. Pursuant to Article X of the Stanley Home Rule Charter (also referred to as Chapter 15.0210 of the 1999 Revised Ordinance of the City of Stanley), this Measure would amend Article III, Subsection 3, of the Home Rule Charter of the City Stanley (also referenced as Chapter 15.0103(3f) of the 1999 Revised Ordinances of the City of Stanley) as follows:

IF MATERIAL IS UNDERSCORED, IT IS NEW MATERIAL WHICH IS BEING ADDED. IF MATERIAL IS OVERSTRUCK BY DASHES, THE MATERIAL IS BEING DELETED. IF MATERIAL IS NOT UNDERSCORED OR OVERSTRUCK, THE MATERIAL IS EXISTING IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER THAT IS NOT BEING CHANGED.

f. The sales tax herein authorized for a term of six (6) years from the date of the passage of the measure, ending December 31, 2032. Prior to the expiration of said term, the City shall place on the ballot the question to continue the sales tax herein stated for additional six (6) year period at the time specified for the regular City election.

A "yes" vote means you approve the continuation of the 1½% city sales and use tax for an additional six years.

A "no" vote means you do not approve the continuation of the 1½% city sales and use tax.

May 6, 13, 2026

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

TAKE NOTICE that the Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at 1:00 P.M. CST. on June 1, 2026. This hearing will take place in the Red River Room of the North Dakota State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship, 600 E. Boulevard Ave Dept. 315, Bismarck, ND 58505, emailing the office at OGC@nd.gov, or calling (701) 328-3010. Also, written comments may be submitted to the address listed or above or via email at OGC@nd.gov until June 11, 2026. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship at the above telephone number or address at least 10 days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2026.
/s/ Rachel Sinness
Rachel Sinness, Executive Director
Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship

ski - Applicant. Judy Vedaa - Landowner. Parcel #19-0007410. Outlot 2 located in the SW¼NW¼ of Section 16, Township 156 North, Range 92 West (Ross Township) 26' 8" x 72' modular home with 10' x 10' & 16' x 20' decks & 30' x 40' garage. Pending approval of CUP.

2466-PZ-2026-0038 - Jeremy Benjamin - Applicant. Mountrail County Park Commission - Landowner. Parcel #45-0019135. Lot 12, Block 12 of Traynor Park located in the S½SW¼ of Section 29 & N½N¼ of Section 32, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (Van Hook Township) 28' x 32' garage.

2467-PZ-2026-0040 - Shawn & Maria Stelter - Applicant. Mountrail County Park Commission - Landowner. Parcel #45-0019175. Lot 13, Block 15 of Traynor Park located in the S½SW¼ of Section 29 & N½N¼ of Section 32, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (Van Hook Township) 16' x 76' mobile home. Pending approval of Variance.

2469-PZ-2026-0049 - Travis & Danielle Sauber - Applicant/Landowner. Parcel #45-0013988. Lot 2 of Outlot 2 located in the W½NW¼ of Section 30, Township 152 North, Range 91 West (Van Hook Township) 40' x 40' house addition with basement & deck.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim, seconded by Commissioner LeRohl, to approve building permits 2465-2469. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Gravel Pits-remains ongoing-CUP checklist has been updated

Green Acres Subdivision-Hyrum Zetting plan of action for Green Acres Subdivision

Data Centers and Battery Storage Facilities-currently under moratorium-1st hearing with the Mountrail County Board of Commissioners was March 17th and the 2nd hearing will be April 21st

Animal Feeding Ordinance

STAFF UPDATES

* Administrator Vachal asked for discussion on the Animal Feeding Ordinance contract with SRF Consulting as well as designations for the committee that will work on the ordinance. Chairman Sorenson feels the board should implement a moratorium for this while they work on it. States Attorney Enget agreed and pointed out that the state still doesn't have all of their own rules finalized with regards to Animal Feeding Operations. Concerning the committee members, Administrator Vachal stated Commissioner Ruland and Commissioner Jarmin informed her they would be on the committee if necessary. Chairman Sorenson also volunteered to be on the committee.

Moved by Commissioner Borud, seconded by Commissioner Tomjack, to approve the moratorium on Animal Feeding Operations for a period of time until the State of North Dakota finalizes their rules regarding this matter. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Borud, seconded by Commissioner Weyrauch, to hire SRF Consulting to assist in adopting a code concerning Animal Feeding Operations and to make recommendation to the Mountrail County Commissioners to amend the Planning & Zoning budget if necessary to accommodate hiring SRF. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hollekim to appoint Chairman Sorenson, Commissioner Ruland, and Commissioner Jarmin to the special committee regarding the Animal Feeding Operations amendment to the Mountrail County Land Development Code. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

* As the weather continues to improve, staff will begin conducting inspections throughout the county.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

BOARD CONCERNS

None.

The Board adjourned at 9:14 a.m. Next regular meeting of the Mountrail County Planning & Zoning Commission is **Monday, April 27, 2026**, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Mountrail County Courthouse or via GOTOMEET-ING.

Accepted and approved this 27th day of April, 2026.

Charlie Sorenson, Chairman
Mountrail County
Planning & Zoning Commission

Melissa Vachal, Administrator
Mountrail County
Planning & Zoning Commission

Electronic recordings of full meetings are kept in the office per NDCC 44-04