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a piggy bank as well or be saving for a present for Christmas or birthdays in our family or special friends.

Seems so simple, but now looks like hard work. It balances out in the work we did taking care of a lot of calories, and it was easier to stay fit if one kept busy.

Since most of our entertainment was without expense, rocks, sticks, and baseballs and non-motorized swing sets and other toys kept us happy and in good health. Seeing a doctor was for serious things like a broken arm or major illness and home remedies were the usual way of handling small injuries or burns. We have better supplies in our houses now for those needs as

well.

Slow times of the past but full of memories of peace, friendship, people helping people when they could or saw the need. Animals are also good things to have and teach us about getting along unless threatened and then a choice of fight or flight was there. Animals never seemed to hold grudges but used avoidance to get through tough spots, and why getting the cows to come home from the pasture for milking or calving took a bit of skill and time, with an older child using going out on foot or special horse to bring them in. Simple times but fond memories.

Have a great week!

## SCAM notice

Information courtesy Sheriff Trent Naser

Sheridan County Sheriff Trent Naser gives a warning of a new scam going around where people are receiving a text message that appears to be from the North Dakota Department of Transportation and is stating there is an unpaid traffic citation.

The false notice threatens the recipient that if the fine is not paid, their driver's license privileges will be suspended.

**THIS IS A SCAM!**

**ND DOT will never text you about a citation.** They will only mail you a letter to the address they have on file.

That is why it is so important (and it's a violation if you don't) to keep your address current with DOT.

You don't have to go in and get a new driver's license; you can just update it on DOT's website.

**Below is a copy of the SCAM text message I received so you can see what it looks like.**

**You can see a couple red flags in the text in the Camera Reference Number-and that ND does not have enforcement cameras and the website address has some strange letters in it.**

North Dakota Department of Transportation - Notice

Your vehicle has been recorded for a speeding violation, and the outstanding fine is unpaid.

Case Information:

Ticket Number: ND-2026-3168425

Camera Reference Number: #stl-88421

Violation: Speeding

To avoid further enforcement action, please complete the payment as soon as possible using the following official payment portal

<https://nd.govzxcg.com/dot>

According to North Dakota Administrative Regulation RSMo 304.010, if you fail to pay the fine by April 9th, your driver's license may be temporarily suspended for up to 30 days, and you may face other administrative penalties. The unpaid amount may also be transferred to a collection agency and reported to credit reporting agencies.

(Reply "Y" to view this message and use the link above to continue payment)

**Report these messages to Sheriff Naser at 701-363-2200.**

**PO Box 410  
215 2nd St E  
McClusky, ND 58463  
(701)363-2200 Office  
(701)363-2702 Fax**

## McClusky Township Equalization Meeting

The McClusky Township Equalization Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at the Sheridan County Court House Community Room.

Kerry Landsiedel,  
Clerk/Treasurer  
(April 9 & 16, 2026)

## Public Notice School Election Coming

Voters in the McClusky-Goodrich School District #29 will elect four directors.

One director from the Goodrich area, one director from the McClusky area, and one director at-large, each to serve a four-year term. The voters will also elect one director to finish the remaining two years of an at-large position. The annual election will be held jointly with the Sheridan County primary election on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at the McClusky City Hall.

Any qualified elector who wishes to be a candidate must file his or her name and a financial disclosure statement with the Business Manager, Faye Hagen, no later than 4:00 P.M. on April 3, 2026. These statements are available at the school business office. They must be notarized.

Currently serving on the Board are Sarah Crimmins, Deneen Richter, Scott Stroh, Levi Boehm, and Donovan Stober. The four-year terms of Crimmins, Richter, and Stroh and the two-year remaining term of Stober will expire this year.

(April 16, 2026)

## Goodrich City Council Minutes

April 6, 2026

5:30 pm - Goodrich City Hall  
Present: Larry Zeeb, Blane Enzminger, Arden Mindt, Diane Bellecourt (Mayor) and Pam Stewart Auditor

Guests: Michael Piper (Judge), Becky Blue-EPA, Karen Konschak, Craig Bellecourt, Dave Ludwick, Julie Demke, Steve Barreth, John Parsons

Guest comments included: Karen Konschak commended the council regarding the update of the ordinances and that they can be enforced. She is happy the city dump is being cleaned up.

Julie Demke also commended the city and indicated that she keeps the property mowed next door to hers in an effort to keep the snakes and rodents under control. Also happy about taking care of some of the old uninhabitable buildings in town and the overall cleanup in town.

John Parsons shared that our city received a certificate for water quality testing for 2025 and the new certificate has been hung at the City Hall with a copy at the post office.

Financials for March 2026 and minutes for March 2, 2026 meeting were presented. Blane made a motion to accept the financial report and minutes as submitted, seconded by Larry and carried.

Municipal judge, Michael Piper has completed required training and is ready to begin holding municipal court as soon as items are purchased for court as required by state law.

Becky Blue, EPA, attended in order to speak regarding the city dump. The dump has had some deficiencies in the past and Becky shared requirements and ideas about what can be done to fix these items. Craig Bellecourt has been hired to monitor the dump, a sign with hours and what can be dumped etc, will be posted and the dump will only be available during certain hours each week. The fence or other barriers will be repaired as needed to alleviate open access from all sides. Becky offered to share information regarding possible grants to dispose of abandoned vehicles and other needs.

First reading of Model "A" Floodplain Management Ordinance due to 2025 legislation. Also, first reading of revised policy for guests/public comment. Second reading will be at the May 11,

# Legals

2026 council meeting.

Discussed cleaning the culvert out by the Brewer house since the water backed up into the yard this Spring.

An offer was made to purchase the Brewer property from the city, located at Bradford and Front Street which was accepted by the council.

Equalization Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 5:30 pm at the Goodrich City Hall. Bev Hart, Tax Assessor will be present.

Motion to adjourn was seconded and carried

Next Goodrich City Council Meeting May 11, 2026, 5:30 p.m. at Goodrich City Hall

NOTE: The meeting for May 2026 will be delayed 1 week to May 11, 2026, 5:30 p.m., City Hall

Pam Stewart, Goodrich City Auditor  
(April 16, 2026)

## County Planning & Zoning Meeting

March 3, 2026

The Sheridan County Planning & Zoning board met at 10:00 a.m. County Planning & Zoning members present were: Kendon Faul, Sandra Felchle, Byron Belile, Brian Galvin, Gerald Spear. Absent: Karen Konschak and Michael Axt. Others present were: Roddy Schilling on conference call, Shannon Dieterle, County Commissioners; Kevin Vietz, Damon Tessmann and LeRoy Becker, Water Board members; Delbert Hoffman, Emergency Manager; Samantha Roubal, McClusky Fire Chief; Ladd Erickson, States Attorney; Brady Schulzetenberg, Craig Peerboom, Kirby Steichen, Scott Baier, Property owners; and Kip Kovar, GDCD District Engineer/Deputy Program Manager on zoom

Chairman Faul called the meeting to order. The minutes from the previous was sent out by mail. It was moved by County Planning & Zoning Commissioner Belile to approve the minutes as sent, seconded by County Planning & Zoning Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote - Belile - yes, Felchle - yes, Galvin - yes, Spear - yes, Faul - yes. Motion carried.

Faul announced the purpose of the meeting was to receive information from GDCD water treatment plant by the McClusky canal northwest of McClusky and the two storage water tanks northeast of Goodrich. Kip Kovar and Scott Mehning were on zoom video call to answer questions. The Red River Valley Water Supply project is planning to be completed by 2032 and 30 miles of pipeline have been installed already. Two pump stations will be installed on federal land by the McClusky canal and also the water treatment plant. The storage water tanks are being proposed to be set on Damon Tessmann's property if agreed upon. The intersection is at 5th str NE and 22nd Ave. NE is where two 5 million gallon above ground storage tanks would be placed if approved. Discussion on if a disaster were to happen with water storage tank failure what mitigation plan will be put in place in order to not flood the area or if the water can be contained to have slow release. The timeframe of the construction of the storage tanks would be a summer season and would be started in year 2029. Questions of what assurances of twp. roads will be kept up during construction of project. Kovar stated a road maintenance agreement would be set up with the County or the Twp. involved. Ladd Erickson, States Attorney, asked why water treatment plan was built by Washburn. Kovar stated when Red River Valley Water Supply project was being considered the federal government said the McClusky canal could not be used so the water treatment was allowed to be built by Washburn, however; when President Trump came into office he approved to use the McClusky canal now. The City of Washburn is looking into taking over the water treatment plant for their city use only. Erickson also inquired if the conditional use ag should be conditional use for commercial property being property will not be ag most likely any longer. Extra staff will be hired to run the water treatment plant Kovar reported. Kovar stated the road to the water treatment plant northwest of McClusky will be built up and worked out with McClusky twp. and be maintained by the GDCD. Kevin Vietz inquired if a water line tap for Fire Dept. to hook into for a Fire emergency will be looked into. The

water pressure for the water pipeline would be close to 300 psi around the McClusky - Goodrich area. Vietz asked if the GDCD McClusky Canal is for sale to the State of ND. Kovar stated depending on if the federal government will let all of the canal system go and remove plugs as to what the canal system was designed for then the State would possibly purchase. The federal government is looking into the sale of the canal system further. Constructing the road in McClusky twp. to the water treatment plant would be done this summer and the two pump stations and water treatment would be constructed in the years 2028-2029. Tessmann inquired if the water going thru the water pipeline is potable drinking water. Kovar answered said it will have some chlorine and UV light that will make it very clean water. So if a spill happens there would be no environmental issues. Ladd Erickson also stated to make sure that GDCD has a no-fault liability insurance to cover costs any disaster that may happen. Erickson reported on the history of the McClusky canal with the Pick-Sloan plan/design and the bureaucratic process that came with it. Kirby Steichen stated he was concerned about the gravel that will be purchased for the project and that if it will raise the cost of gravel to twps. and the County due to the need. Brian Galvin and Byron Belile agreed to stay on the County P & Z Board for another term. Karen Konschak will be contacted by the auditor to be asked if she is interested staying on the County P & Z board.

It was moved by County P & Z Commissioner Belile to adjourn the meeting, seconded by County P & Z Commissioner Galvin. All voting "Aye" the motion carried.

(April 16, 2026)

## County Park Commission Minutes

March 3, 2026

The Board of Sheridan County Park Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. County Park Commissioners present were Tina Majors, Amanda Bott, Shannon Dieterle, Sandra Felchle and

Roddy Schilling was present by conference call. Others present were: Samantha Roubal, County Park Manager

Majors called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was sent by mail and email. It was moved by County Park Commissioner Felchle to approve minutes as is, seconded by County Park Commissioner Amanda Bott. Upon roll call vote - Felchle - yes, Bott - yes, Dieterle - yes, Schilling - yes, Majors - yes. Motion carried.

Old Business: County Park Commissioner Bott updated that she contacted the Bureau of Reclamation on getting approval of the location of the new playground area and to place material/sand down around former campsite #3. Macie Edwards with the Bureau of Reclamation is sending info into the main office for approval.

Chairman Majors stated TSC has a selection of Bad Boy riding lawn mowers and Hwy. 83 Lawn & Leisure has them also, Majors will be contacting them on prices.

Samantha Roubal, County Park Manager, met with board to discuss looking for extra help in mowing at Hoffer Lake Recreation Area. Roubal announced the Civic Club will have the Mid-Summer Fest dance at the 4-H building again. Roubal inquired about doing a patriotic theme contest at Hoffer Lake Recreation Campground over Mid-Summer Fest weekend (July 31- August 2nd. It was moved by County Park Commissioner Dieterle to approve the prize for the patriotic theme contest involving all campers at Hoffer Lake to receive a free weekend of camping at Hoffer Lake that will be judged by the Civic Club and to waive the 4-H building rent fees to the Civic club for Mid-Summer Fest dance, seconded by County Park Commissioner Felchle. Upon roll call vote - Dieterle - yes, Felchle - yes, Bott - yes, Schilling - yes, Majors - yes. Motion carried. There still is plenty of beavers at the Hoffer lake area. A new information sign needs to be purchased or built, the plexi glass is broken and the registration box needs repairs. Roubal will look into new sign and box.

County Park Commissioner Felchle reported on the Community Orchard for at the Hoffer Lake Recreation to write a grant for it by next spring. Felchle will



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