

District 2 Democratic-NPL
Party Convention Set for Jan. 24

The District 2 Democratic-NPL Party will hold its District Convention on Saturday, January 24, starting at 1:00 p.m., at the Wildrose Fire Hall, 410 Main Street, Wildrose.

The Convention will elect seven delegates to attend the North Dakota Democratic-NPL state convention, which will be held March 6-8 in Bismarck. Attendees at the District 2 Convention will also complete and approve our District 2 platform, which will then help inform the North Dakota Democratic-NPL platform.

The District 2 Convention will feature a speech by

Trygve Hammer, the 2024 Democratic-NPL candidate for U.S. House of Representatives. A Marine veteran, oilfield worker, and community leader, Trygve writes a very popular Substack with insightful, entertaining political commentary and is a talented speaker, blending experience, reflection, and humor.

District chair Palmer said, “We look forward to welcoming Trygve as we work to rejuvenate the Democratic-NPL in Northwest North Dakota. Republican policies are harming our most important economic drivers, as Trump is bailing

out Argentinian ranchers and glutting the oil markets with Venezuelan crude. Sadly, North Dakota’s congressional delegation chooses to go along with Trump rather than fighting for North Dakotans.”

The Democratic-NPL is a grassroots-organized political party. Meetings and membership are open to any person who voted for, or plans to vote for, Democratic-NPL candidates, or simply affiliates themselves with the Democratic-NPL’s ideals.

Learn more at [district2dems.com](#)

City of Bowbells Fund Balance Report for Jan. 1, 2025 - Dec. 31, 2025						
Fund	Beginning Balance	Incomes	Transfers In	Expenditures	Transfers Out	Ending Balance
GENERAL FUND						
Checking	\$1,290,241.15	\$476,399.86		\$149,651.82	409,000.00	\$1,207,989.19
CoD 31230	14,095.79	176.19				14,271.98
CoD 5607204	39,853.85	498.17				40,352.02
CoD 30784	25,950.54	324.39				26,274.93
CoD 5607197	81,626.95	1,020.34				82,647.29
CoD 5578202	-	-				-
CoD 5578203	-	-				-
CoD 5578204	-	-				-
TOTAL	\$1,451,768.28	\$478,418.95		\$149,651.82	\$289,000.00	\$1,371,535.41
Highway Fund	438,529.73	91,249.91	350,000.00	394,363.13		485,416.51
Social Security Fund	-	-		-		-
Library Fund	34,407.50	5,035.63		2,104.09		37,339.04
Airport Fund	21,068.67	5,385.63		2,740.99		23,713.31
Park Assist Fund	-	2,887.87		2,887.87		-
Recreation Commission						
Checking	15,361.97	24,985.28	9,000.00	43,441.64		5,905.61
CoD 5614564	8,048.27	36.51				8,084.78
TOTAL	\$23,410.24					\$13,990.39
Water Fund	120,646.30	177,671.92	30,000.00	204,980.97		123,337.25
Sewer Fund	43,608.33	57,919.91	20,000.00	87,364.49		34,163.75
Garbage Fund	74,059.87	71,442.33		66,097.18		79,405.02
Recycling Fund	4,221.57					4,221.57
TOTAL FUNDS						\$2,173,122.25
Current Liabilities						29.84
Balance Sheet						\$2173,152.09
Lanette Jager, City Auditor						January 21, 2026

Notice of Real Estate Sale

IN THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, COUNTY OF BURKE IN THE DISTRICT COURT, NORTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

Charity Hanson, and any person in possession,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE SALE

CIVIL NUMBER: 07-2024-CV-00045

1. Judgment in the amount of \$197,532.56, having been entered in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendants, which Judgment was filed with the Clerk of Courts of Burke County, North Dakota, on January 27, 2025, for the foreclosure of a real estate mortgage.

2. Notice is hereby given pursuant to said Judgment that the real property described as:

A tract of land lying in the SE1/4 of Section 21, described as follows: Beginning at a point 760 feet North of the Southeast corner, thence 685 feet West, thence 450 feet North, thence 685 feet East, thence 450 feet South to the point of beginning Section 21, Township 163 North, Range 90 West of the 5th P.M., Burke County, North Dakota.

Real Property address: 10419 75th Avenue NW, Flaxton, ND 58737

The above real property is the subject of the Mortgage dated June 18, 2018, which Mortgages, Charity E. Hanson, executed and delivered to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for AmCap Mortgage, Ltd. DBA Major Mortgage, its successors and assigns and recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Burke County, North Dakota, on June 20, 2018, Instrument Number 266584, which is subject to the entered Judgment. Said Mortgage was assigned to Plaintiff, its successors or assigns, by Assignment of Mortgage recorded February 16, 2023, Instrument Number 277175.

3. In order to realize the amount of \$197,532.56, as of January 27, 2025, plus interest accruing thereafter on said amount as awarded by the court, together with the costs and expenses of sale, will be sold subject to redemption as provided by law as one parcel of land at public auction, subject to the lien for unpaid real estate taxes and assessments of Burke County, North Dakota, and easements and restrictions of record, to the highest bidder for cash under the direction of the Sheriff of Burke County, North Dakota, at the main entrance of the Burke County

Courthouse located at 103 Main Street, Bowbells, North Dakota 58721, on February 18, 2026 (“Sale Date”), at 10:30 AM.

4. If the sale is set aside for reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney.

DATED this 16th day of January 2026.

SHERIFF OF BURKE COUNTY

Nicholas Throntveit

By: Throntveit

Sheriff / Deputy Sheriff of Burke

Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C.

By: /s/ Tyler S. Wirick

Tyler S. Wirick

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Jan. 21, 28 & Feb. 4, 2026

City of Bowbells Council Proceedings

January 12, 2026

Unofficial Minutes

PRESENT: Council members: Casey Beeter, Laurie Lemmon & Michael Bolton; Lanette Jager, City Auditor; Dylan Bengé, Maintenance Supervisor.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Shannon Holter & Archie Deckert.

GUESTS: Kelsey Ethen.

President of the Council Michael Bolton called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Motion was made by Lemmon, seconded by Beeter, to approve the minutes as written for December 8th, 2025. Motion was carried.

Kelsey Ethen presented a Vets gaming application for Bowbells Easter Event for 2500.00.

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to approve Bowbells Easter Event Vets Gaming in the amount of 2500.00. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to approve the Services Agreement effective January 1st, 2026, between the City and DAP, DAP will provide services, including snow removal and other services as requested to, and for the benefit of City, as set forth.

Motion was made by Lemmon, seconded by Beeter to approve the Water Purchase Agreement from Upper Souris Water District for 1 year of 800,000 gallons water and every 1000 gallons over at 6.25. Motion was carried. Roll call vote: Lemmon: Aye, Beeter: Aye & Bolton: Aye.

First Reading: 12/8/2025

Second Reading: 1/12/2026

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to approve the financial reports for December 2025. Roll call vote: Lemmon: Aye, Beeter: Aye, Bolton: Aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to approve the EOY Financial Report for 2025. Roll call vote: Lemmon: Aye, Beeter: Aye, Bolton: Aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lemmon, seconded by Beeter to approve the Annual Wage Report 2025. Roll call

vote: Lemmon: Aye, Beeter: Aye, Bolton: Aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to pay the bills for January 2026. Roll call vote: Lemmon: Aye, Beeter: Aye, Bolton: Aye. Motion was carried.

BILL: BMS \$4767.26; Burke County Sheriff 400.00; Burke Tribune 142.62; Circle Sanitation 5447.75; Core & Main 392.32; Dennis Bengé 334.10; DEQ 183.55; Elan Financial 12172.84; Farmers Union Lumber 1.72; Farmers Union Oil 666.21; FDHU 30.00; Lanette Jager 285.36; MDU 2260.53; NCC 248.13; ND One Call 3.90; NLE 1150.00; Titan Machinery 1655.91; Upper Souris Water 4640.00; VESTIS 126.16; WSI 1646.67; BC/BS 247.00. TOTAL \$37,540.98.

Annual Wages for 2025: ANNUAL WAGES FOR 2025: Casey A. Beeter \$900.00; Dennis E. Bengé \$55,086.08; Dylan D. Bengé \$33,629.96; Michael S. Bolton 900.00; Christopher J. Cerise 500.00; Archie G. Deckert 900.00; Cyle A. Golde 3500.00; Delaney N. Golde 2193.75; Brandon G. Hoheisel 500.00; Shannon D. Holter 1800.00; Lanette A. Jager 64,331.36; Laurie A. Lemmon 900.00; Aiden D. Peterson 1965.00; Courtney E. Ross 1000.00; Emma L. Sandberg 692.50; Kelbi R. Seime 3087.50; Avery R. Sieg 2694.25; Jacinta M. Steinberger 1455.00; Brandon A. Undhjem 390.00; Mya L. Woodbeck \$7062.26. TOTAL: \$183,487.66.

Dylan Bengé gave his maintenance report: K Squared was here and has finished hooking up the generator to the 2nd lift station. Dylan will check on quote for cold weather kit for new generators at the lift stations. Plow truck has a broken frame. Dylan will check on quote to get it fixed with MW.

Motion was made by Beeter, seconded by Lemmon to purchase a Magnetic manhole cover lifter. Roll call vote: Lemmon: Ae, Beeter: Aye, Bolton: Aye. Motion was carried.

City has received a letter of resignation from Amber Fiesel as the city’s attorney effective December 31st, 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM. Next City Council Meeting will be February 9th, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

ATTEST: Michael Bolton, President

Lanette Jager, City Auditor

January 21, 2026

Request for Bids

Bowbells Public School is requesting bids for the purchase of one (1) 14-passenger school bus. Minimum specifications include: gasoline engine, dual rear wheels, and school bus configuration. Vehicle must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local safety requirements.

Bids must include purchase price, vehicle details (year, make, model), delivery terms, and warranty.

Written bids must be received by **February 2, 2026** and submitted to: Celeste Thingvold, PO Box 279, Bowbells, ND 58721, [celeste.thingvold@k12.nd.us](#)

The purchaser reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. Award will be made in the best interest of the purchaser.

Issued this 15th day of January, 2026.

Jan. 21 & 28, 2026

GENERAL FUND BILLS: AFLAC \$1786.45; Americlnn 220.00; Ameritas 551.63; BCBS 12,377.10; Bowbells PS 12,377.10; City of Bowbells 1074.29; Colonial Life 117.70; Compita 465.00; Connect Teletherapy 553.00; Courtney Seime 27.00; CREA 2005.00; Culligan Water 302.00; Dakota Community Bank 1233.11; Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch 6900.00; Farmers Union 2398.13; Farmers Union Hardware 23.98; Farmers Union Lumber 29.98; Fireside Office 2409.89; Great Minds PBC 311.85; Great Western Network 10,200.00; HA Thompson & Sons 4500.00; Karls TV 531.98; MDU 1992.47; Natalie Cerise 18.79; Natalie Cerise 57.71; NDHSAA 56.70; Northwest Comm. 338.90; Steins, Inc. 1311.63; TMS 100.40; Vital Network 24,000.00; Voyager Sopris Learning 303.60; Wex 150.00; White Buffalo Construction 4000.00; WSI 3135.08. Total: \$83,547.29.

HOT LUNCH FUND BILLS: Dacotah Bank \$124.99; E&E Beef 673.92; Magic-Wrighter E-Funds 34.95; Minot Restaurant Supply 12.98; NDDPI 1233.03; SYSCO 4718.51; SYSCO 2243.61. Total: \$9041.99.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND BILLS: Amber Heitzig \$106.98; Bowbells Ed. Association 487.08; Bowbells BS 420.00; Dacotah Bank 3859.39; Farmers Union Oil 8.59; Fenworks 1250.00; BEA 487.08; Amber Heitzig 106.98; Gartners 15.23; Kenmare Public School 10,320.00; ND Council of Ed Leaders 115.00; Northern Bottling 405.60; Radisson Hotel 340.50; Shutterfly 1017.50. Total: \$18,345.87.

Public Comment: None

Student Outcomes: Students of the Quarter are Trevor, Philip, Emmie, Elsie. Superintendent Thingvold provided an update of the recent SLT and ELA team meetings and the success of Vital Networks.

Superintendent Thingvold also provided a letter from The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) stating Bowbells is out of CSI and is considered one of the highest performing CSI schools in ND.

Administrative/Committee Reports: Business Manager report was presented by Business Manager Daugherty.

Building committee: Shed quote \$5,100 for repairs is being reviewed. A walkaround with vendor for classroom surround sound will take place in coming weeks.

Administration: Drama team took third place at regionals. Clara was honorable mention. Discussions between Bowbells and Kenmare to provide FFA classes are ongoing. Turnout for the recent parent teacher conference was good. Music concert is scheduled for December 10th at 5:00 PM.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A motion to approve the fall superintendent evaluation was made by Wettstein and seconded by Ross. Motion approved.

A motion to remove Darlene Pullen and add Cathy Schacher as a signer on the Bowbells bank accounts was made by Wettstein and seconded by Ross. Motion approved.

Other Items: None

Adjourn: 7:40 PM by J.R. Aufforth

NEXT MEETING:

DATE: Tuesday, December 9th

TIME: 6 PM

JR Aufforth, Board President

Tarek Daugherty (CREA)

Business Manager

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 10, 2025

Official Minutes

Present were J.R. Aufforth, Adam Jensen, Steven Pfeifer, Tyler Ross, Jill Wettstein, Superintendent Thingvold, Brandy Anderson (representing the local teachers union), and Business Manager Daugherty (Central Regional Education Association). The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Aufforth.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Pfeifer to approve the Consent Agenda (Agenda, September 11, 2025, minutes, and September 2025 Bills). Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND BILLS: AFLAC \$1786.45; Ameritas Life 551.63; BCBS ND 12,377.10; City of Bowbells 1074.29; Colonial Life 117.70; Courtney Seime 27.00; Culligan Water 302.00; Dacotah Bank 1233.11; Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch 6900.00; Farmers Union Hardware 23.98; Farmers Union Lumber 29.98; Farmers Union Oil 2398.13; Fireside Office 2409.89; Great Western Network 10,200.00; MDU 1992.47; Natalie Cerise 18.79; NDHSAA 56.70; NWC 338.90; Steins, Inc. 1311.63; TMS 100.40; Vital Network 24,000.00; Voyager Sopris Learning 303.60; Wex 150.00; WFS Insurance 3135.08. Total: \$70,838.83.

HOT LUNCH FUND BILLS: Dacotah Bank \$124.99; E&E Beef 673.92; Magic-Wrighter E-Funds 34.95; SYSCO 4718.51. Total: \$5552.37.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND BILLS: Fenworks \$1250.00; BEA 487.08; Amber Heitzig 106.98; Northern Bottling 202.80; Radisson Hotel 340.50. Total: \$2387.36.

Public Comment: None

Student Outcomes: Superintendent Thingvold gave a presentation on the progress of the STAR Reading and STAR Math programs. Student progress is in line with expectations with more progress to be made.

Administrative/Committee Reports: Business Manager report was presented by Business Manager Daugherty.

Building committee: New contractor is working on the rental property siding project and work is in process. A quote is being requested for work on the shed. Plumbing work in the duplex needs to be completed. Washing machine not working, to be looked at this week. Heat has been turned on in the school building. High school roof inspection revealed a new roof is needed over the south side of the HS building. Superintendent Thingvold to begin receiving bids. Possibility of putting in surround sound in classrooms. Celeste to begin exploring by getting quotes.

Transportation: None

Policy: None

Administration: Two new students and enrollment is now at 92. Parent teacher conferences are on Tuesday the 21st.

Old Business:

Motion to approve the second reading of policies ACCB, BCBA, and GABE was introduced by Jensen and seconded by Ross. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Other Items: None

Adjourn:

NEXT MEETING:

DATE: Monday, November 10th

TIME: 4 PM

JR Aufforth, Board President

Tarek Daugherty (CREA)

Business Manager

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 10, 2025

Official Minutes

Present were J.R. Aufforth, Adam Jensen, Steven Pfeifer, Tyler Ross, Jill Wettstein, Superintendent Thingvold, Brandy Anderson (representing the local teachers union), and Business Manager Daugherty (Central Regional Education Association). The meeting was called to order at 6:18 PM by President Aufforth.

Motion by Wettstein, seconded by Jensen to approve the Consent Agenda (Agenda, November 10, 2025, minutes, and November 2025 Bills). Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND BILLS: AFLAC \$2740.64; Ameritas 195.65; BCBS 9558.50; Bismarck Hotel & Conf. 110.00; Brittney Colbenson 304.50; Burke County Tribune 213.31; City of Bowbells 1075.85; Colonial Life 278.38; CREA 3290.60; Culligan Water 250.00; Dacotah Bank 1438.55; Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch 7245.00; Farmers Union Oil 2073.31; Fireside Office 40.00; Gartners 53.25; MDU 3794.52; ND Attorney General 80.00; Northwest Communications 351.89; Peony Petals 50.99; Preblemedical 60.00; Ralphs Plumbing & Heating 280.00; Steins, 959.65; TMS 100.40; Vital Network 24,000.00; Terri Morgel 51.00; TMS 100.40. Total: \$34,595.99.

HOT LUNCH FUND BILLS: Dacotah Bank \$67.67; Magic-Wrighter Funds 34.95; NDDIP 633.97; SYSCO 3029.41. Total: \$3766.00.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND BILLS: Coca Cola \$270.00; Dacotah Bank 825.09; Northern Bottling 135.20; Peony Petals 54.99; Rhombus Guys 6493.50. Total: \$7778.78.

Public Comment: None

Student Outcomes: The school board self-evaluation as part of the Be Legendary Program was performed with the board scoring 88 out of 100.

Superintendent Thingvold gave a presentation on student Insights showing a positive trend upward in

student growth and achievement.

Administrative/Committee Reports: Business Manager report was presented by Business Manager Daugherty.

Building committee: Travis from Tecta America provided a presentation on proposed repairs on three areas of the roofing system. Some areas of the roofing system are beginning to shrink and there are areas where water can pool. It was found that there are some areas that leak around the air intake systems.

Transportation: Discussion regarding the possibility of purchasing a new minibus was held. No decision was made.

Administration: Superintendent Thingvold read a letter from teacher Wrolson regarding a request for 12 weeks of medical leave. A search for a long-term sub is in process to cover the absence.

A letter was received from Phoenix Energy requesting to purchase a piece of property owned by the district.

Superintended Thingvold and counselor Harding are attending handbook training in January in Bismarck.

Sport enrollment updates: Four girls and three boys signed up for wrestling. Six boys signed up for high school basketball and two girls signed up for JH basketball. There are four students enrolled in E-sports.

Vision Zero will be at the school providing drunk driving simulations. The Colgate virtual van is coming to the elementary school in January. The Burke County Sheriff is coming in January to demonstrate their equipment for the elementary students.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion to accept the proposal from Tecta America to repair section five of the roof was made by Jensen and seconded by Wettstein. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the school board self-evaluation was made by Ross and seconded by Pfeifer. Motion carried.

Other Items: None

Adjourn: 7:38 PM by J.R. Aufforth

NEXT MEETING:

DATE: Monday, January 12th

TIME: 4 PM

JR Aufforth, Board President

Tarek Daugherty (CREA)

Business Manager

January 21, 2026

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF STATUTES AND ADOPTION OF NFPA 70 2026 EDITION NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE ELECTRICAL BOARD will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to North Dakota Administrative Code Title 24.1 at:

1929 N Washington St #A-1 Bismarck, N.D.

Wed., February 25, 2026 8:30 a.m. CT

A copy of the proposed rules and amendments may be obtained by writing the North Dakota State Electrical Board, PO Box 7335, Bismarck, ND 58507 or by calling 701-328-9522. Written comments may be submitted to this address until March 9, 2026. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special assistance, please contact NDSEB at the above telephone number or address at least ten (10) days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2026.

/s/ James Schmidt

Executive Dir. of NDSEB

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AND AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO NORTH DAKOTA GAMES OF CHANCE, ARTICLE 99-01.3 OF THE NORTH DAKOTA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota State Gaming Commission will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, February 18th, 2026 at The North Dakota State Capitol, Brynhild Haugland Room.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by emailing agogaming@nd.gov, writing the North Dakota Attorney General's Office Gaming Division at North Dakota Attorney General's Office Gaming Division, 600 E. Blvd Ave Dept. 125, Bismarck, ND 58505-0040 or calling 701-328-4848. Also, written comments may be submitted to the above email or physical address until March 7, 2026. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the North Dakota Attorney General's Office Gaming Division at the above telephone number or address at least 7 days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 14th day of January, 2026.

Aaron Hummel

Gaming Division Director,

Office of the Attorney General

Burke County Fair Association

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 27 - 7:00 PM

Burke County Fairgrounds

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