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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
PROBATE NO. 25-2026-PR-00001  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF McHENRY  
IN DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
In the Matter of the Estate of **Angeline Keller**, Deceased

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Galen Keller and Karla Backes have been appointed co-personal representatives of the Estate of Angeline Keller. All persons having claims against Angeline Keller are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the Co-Personal Representatives, Galen Keller and Karla Backes, at P.O. Box 998, Minot, ND 58702-0998, or filed with the Court.

Dated January 7, 2026  
Galen Keller  
Co-Personal Representative  
  
Karla Backes  
Co-Personal Representative  
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**(January 14, 21 & 28, 2026)**

**CITY OF DRAKE**  
**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
Election June 2026  
Elected positions available  
Mayor  
Council 2 positions  
Park Board 2 positions  
Please contact city hall for election forms

Monica Lupton , Deputy Auditor  
**(January 21 & 28, 2026)**

**ANAMOOSE CITY MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
Mayor Frank Ewert called the special meeting of the Anamoose City Council to order this 17h day of December 2025, at 7:08 pm. All council members were present. Also present was Laurel Schnase, City Auditor.

The purpose of this meeting was to review and vote on purchasing a new salt and sand spreader. The council discussed the age and condition of the current spreader. Motion to approve the order of a spreader from Ironhide of Devils Lake. M.Schmaltz/Lund. AIF

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. upon motion by B.Schmaltz/Lund. AIF  
Frank Ewert, Mayor  
Laurel Schnase, City Auditor  
**(January 21, 2026)**

**ANAMOOSE CITY MINUTES**  
Mayor Ewert called the regular meeting of the Anamoose City Council to order this 12th day of January 2026, at 7:07 pm. All council members were present. Also present were Tom Sieg, Maintainer of the Lagoon and Sewer, and Laurel Schnase, City Auditor.

Minutes of the 12-8-2025 council meeting, and the 12-17-2025 special meeting were read and approved. B.Schmaltz/Mertz. AIF

Treasurer's Report for December was submitted and accepted as submitted. Mertz/B. Schmaltz. AIF

The council reviewed the update from Moore Engineering. Plans for the Anamoose Sewer and Lagoon Rehabilitation project have been submitted to USDA Rural Development for review. Once authorized, Moore Engineering will be able to begin the bidding process. The council reviewed the Financing Resolution which is needed to put financing in place for the project. Motion to approve the Financing Resolution. Lund/Mertz. AIF  
Moore Engineering provided an amendment for the council to review. An increase in the budgeted Funding Assistance occurred in part to the government shutdown last fall. Motion to approve the increase of \$2,715.00 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement. M.Schmaltz/Lund. AIF

The Anamoose City purchase of the old grocery store, with a total cost of \$120,000, has been approved by McHenry County Commissioners. Once a signed Warranty Deed is received, Schnase will research grant opportunities for removal of the building. Proof of ownership is required before applications can be considered.

Sieg presented his 2025 labor hours to the council. He stated that there were not any major concerns when he flushed the sewer lines, however clay tile chunks from the manholes are still coming through the line. This should end when the sewer pipes are relined and the manholes are repaired. Motion to pay Sieg \$5,000.00 for his annual hours maintaining the lagoon and sewer. B.Schmaltz/Lund. AIF

M.Schmaltz shared with the council the new grants available through the ND Forest Service. Motion to apply for the Rural Canopy Improvement grant, with the maximum award of \$10,000.00, for the removal of diseased or dying trees, and planting of new trees. Mertz/Lund. AIF

City Hall received information from CaNDak, a tour group of bicyclists, asking if Anamoose would consider being a host community. This would entail staying one night in the city park during the first week of August. An evening meal and morning meal will be needed and encourage this to be a fundraiser for community groups and participating schools. Schnase has shared the information with the Anamoose Park Board for review and approval. Motion to be a host community for the bicyclists if the Park Board approves. Mertz/Lund. AIF

The new sand and salt spreader has been delivered. There is some wiring that needs to be done before it can be installed

on the city's pickup. B.Schmaltz will get information on the old spreader and place it for sale.

The next meeting for the Anamoose City Council will be held on Monday, February 9th, at 7:00 PM.

The following bills were paid in December:

NAME	AMOUNT
Heringer Lumber Supplies	\$7.99
Mouse River Journal	\$78.32
NDTC	\$130.37
HAV-IT	\$85.00
McHenry County	\$120.00
Otter Tail	\$743.38
AT&T	\$39.13
Moore Engineering	\$8,091.00
FSB – VISA	\$460.35
Anamoose Park	\$291.56
Tom Sieg	\$5,000.00
Circle Sanitation	\$3,074.75
Frank Ewert	\$92.35
NPRWD	\$65.04
Zeigler Oil Co.	\$243.00
Zeigler Oil Co.	\$976.03
Laurel Schnase	\$461.75
William Vetsch	\$181.01
Brady Schmaltz	\$484.84
Michael Schmaltz	\$339.38
Laurel Schnase	\$2,165.02
IRS – City Monthly	\$690.38

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. upon motion by Lund/B. Schmaltz. AIF  
Frank Ewert, Mayor  
Laurel Schnase, City Auditor  
**(January 21, 2026)**

**DRAKE CITY MINUTES**  
Meeting called to order 7:00. All council and Mayor are present.  
Fire department, Chief Tony Somers presented bill for 2025. Motion to pay Uhlich, 2nd Soderberg.  
Minutes read by Deputy Auditor. Motion to approve minutes Soderberg, 2nd Thorson. MC.

**Old Business**  
Store wall- to be fixed.  
Clinic and Store buildings- Take photos for advertisement and present for next meeting. Get quote for removal to the Clinic letters.  
Office floor- to get quote.

**New business**  
Windmill- have repaired and painted in the spring.  
NDPERS-Discussed and will make decision later.

Vision- get plan costs and present at next meeting.  
Delinquent water- Turn off to happen on all accounts 60 days overdue.

Bills  
Motion to pay Thorson. 2nd Sable.  
Adjourn- Thorson  
Wages \$7545.90, Blue water \$2196.50, Denis Mulceahy \$32.25, Once Call \$3, NDTC \$102.41,Enerbase \$199.30, Midwest Graphic \$40656.90,RJ Technologies \$3500, Karla Harmel \$804, Rv Enterprises \$400, Circle Sanitation \$4086.25, OTPC \$1790.04  
**(January 21, 2026)**

**GRANVILLE CITY MINUTES**  
Council Members: MayorAnthony Zimbelman, Rod Swallers, Joni Anderson, Griffin Gessner, Lorie Werle-absent.

Mayor Zimbelman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The pledge of allegiance was said.

December minutes were reviewed. Discussion was made if all motions were put in minutes because thought Memorial Diner was discussed but no motions were made. Swallers made a motion to approve minutes, Gessner 2nd, Roll call vote: All-yes; motion passed.

January voucher reviewed to pay. McMahon added public works class certification for \$50 to reimburse was not on bills to pay and was paid with his own credit card. Anderson made a motion to accept the vouchers, Gessner 2nd, Roll call vote: All-yes; motion passed.

January agenda reviewed. Discussion of county commissioner on agenda but was not present.

Gessner made a motion to approve the January agenda, Swallers 2nd, Roll call vote: All-yes; motion passed.

Public: Discussion was made regarding the 206 4' St SW jetting of sewer that Ms. Jorgenson wanted city to pay the bill. Discussion was made if in main line or a service line and located an map to be on a service line where the blockage was. Anderson made a motion to pay half, no one 2nd, No vote. Discussion regarding the fire hall rescind. Gessner discussed it was tabled until the moving of the first warning system. Discussion was made on who owns the first warning system and who owns the fire hall. Fire Chief Thull made discussion about the building's insurance coverage and the toss of a grant for fire hall and not wasting more money on siren when he needs trucks and equipment. Swallers wanted the insurance called and have them look into the coverage. BBH insurance and NDIRF were called previously and did some checking into the insurance coverage on the building. Zimbelman asked what we wanted to do with the fire hall. Swallers wanted to leave it as is.

Engineers Report: N/A, emailed if council has questions is available.

Mayor Report: Had nothing to report.

Cemetery and Ordinances: Cemetery nothing. Swallers went back to old complaint regarding 2.19 junk regulations the first reading was on 4/13/15 and second reading on 5/4/15 signed by Jerry Anderson Mayor, Anita Trana auditor therefore want letters to be sent out. Swallers made a motion we give them till April 1 to removal their junk and has to be approved by the city and come April 1 if they do not have their stuff removed then it is \$100 a week like the ordinance says, Anderson 2nd, Roll call vote: Swallers-yes, Anderson-yes, Gessner does not know who you are talking about so

did not feel could vote on because did not no situation or people talking about. Swallers wants letters sent out asap. Anderson had a discussion regarding the water, sewer bills that were overdue and shutting them off.

Park/EDC: N/A  
Planning and Zoning/Police: Anderson read the December and January report from police.

Nothing for planning and zoning.  
Sewer, Water, Roads: Gessner wanted to make sure on same page with other council that wait till storm is done before we really push snow and Shane public works is not getting a lot of phone calls and clean spots that have issues like on West side of town where baseball diamonds catch.

Auditor: Received a raffle permit from FFA Alumni on March 1 to be voted on. Swallers made a motion to approve the permit, Gessner 2nd, Roll call vote: all-yes; motion passed.

McMahon had thank you note for Ottertail for the \$1000 donation for siren. McMahon mentioned the lease agreements for Memorial Diner, Post Office and Merchant Bank. Swallers made a motion to leave Memorial Diner the way it is so Donna could sign it, Anderson 2nd, Swallers mentioned needs to be notarized and signed, Roll call vote: All-yes; motion approved.

McMahon mentioned liquor license on Thirsty Beaver and White Buffalo have been paid and the bales for the bids have also been paid. McMahon mentioned the real estate taxes due in February and March. Zimbelman put on February vouchers to be paid. Swatlers mentioned Doris from equalization should join us for February meeting.

Public works: Hoffart discussed streetlights out and contacted Ottertail to get them fixed. Park permit was discussed from First District which is \$230. Swallers made a motion to pay it and take out of the park fund, Anderson 2nd, Roll call vote: All-yes; motion passed. Hoffart discussed the NPRW expo on February 10-12 permission to go with registration \$335 and for three nights.

Zimbelman yes to send him. Gessner yes to sending him. Hoffart took the water license and passed so Granville is compliant with state. Hoffart discussed in July when a raise was discussed for \$1 that when he got his certification. Gessner made a motion to give Shane a \$1 an hour raise since he got his certification, Anderson 2nd; Roll call vote: All-yes. Motion passed. Swallers the first of February is when it will start.

**Old Business:** Mayor position will be up in June because moving out of town and three positions will be open on city council.  
Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00, Swallers 2nd; Roll call vote: All-yes. Meeting adjourned

**Bills:** NDPERS \$951.47, Mouse River Journal \$120.15, NPRWD \$6970.20, SRT \$159.17, VIV \$175.00, Ottertail \$1086.23, Verizon \$39.75, Adobe \$20.99, Advanced Business Methods \$117.83, Menards \$79.50, Circle Sanitation \$3452.75, Payroll \$9544.38, EFTPS \$1673.16, Envision \$578.78, First District \$230.00, Office Depot 20.99, Industrial Chem labs 503.70, cemetery \$200.05, EDC \$2232.96, intuit \$14.98, Dollar General \$24.73, USPS \$156, D&K Services \$57.58, Walmart \$21.47, Enerbase \$19.18, One call concept \$1.50, City of Minot \$90, 4K Excavating \$3000,Rod Swallers \$64.31, Shane Hoffart \$50.  
**(January 21, 2026)**

**GRANVILLE CITY MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**

January 12, 2026 7:00 PM  
Mayor: Anthony Zimbelman  
Members: Griffin Gessner, Joni Anderson, Rod Swallers, Lori Werle

Auditor: Julie McMahon  
Mayor Zimbelman called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Zimbelman 1ST onagenda is the ownership and potential transfer of Granville Fire Hall. Gessner asked why a special meeting, when the regular meeting was last Monday and council came to an agreement that was made to stay tabled and no motion made until the siren was moved to city hall and up and running. Zimbelman responded that it was brought to his attention from Fire Chief that the siren does not belong to the city and county sent money to city but was returned to county and paid to the fire department and that is how the siren was put up. Discussion was made about how it was put on news and stated numerous times the city owned the siren and city did not have funding to pay for it to be fixed. Werle asked why the ownership was not brought up to the city council earlier at a regular city council meeting when the siren and fire hall was discussed and that Gessner made a good argument that if sell to the Fire Protection District they could charge the city rent for the siren. Van Grinsven discussed the ordinance that was created for the transfer to happen with two-thirds of the council which with the original ordinance the city would not be able to transfer for \$1 and would have to list it with a reattor or put up for auction. Gessner made a motion to table until after the Fire Protection District meeting and see what they decide if they allow the city to keep and move the early alert system or if the city must look at getting a different one, Swallers 24, Roll cali vote: All-yes. Motion passed. Gessner made a motion since thinks this ties up everything to adjourn the meeting at 7:15, Swallers 2nd, Fire Chief wanted further discussion that the Fire Department paid \$33,000 to have the building put up in 1987 and fire codes with batteries in the fire hall. Gessner committed that did not think two more months is going to make a difference till this got strengthened up and felt the city should not make drastic decisions till we knew exactly what is going to cost the city to set siren up at city hall. Zimbelman stated a motion has been made to adjourn the meeting and a second was made. Roll call vote: All-yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:17  
**(January 21, 2026)**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF**  
**EDUCATION TGU SCHOOL**

**DISTRICT #60**  
Regular Meeting 11/12/2025  
7:01 pm, TGU Towner Library

President Jorde called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with Smette, Johnson, and Kalvoda present. McBeth joined by phone and then was present for after pledge. Superintendent Sweet, Business Manager Werle, Head Start Director Allison Driessen and Head Start Fiscal Officer Haman also present. Additional guest list is on file at the district office.

Pledge of Allegiance.  
Recognition of Visitors/Open to Public Comment.

Confirmation of Agenda  
Administrative Business  
Johnson/Smette (MS) to approve the October 8, 2025, regular minutes. Roll call, unanimously passed.

Kalvoda/Smette (MS) to approve the bills and finance report for the TGU School District. General fund bills: \$165,667.19, General Manual Journal Entries: \$22,508.04, Payroll: \$425,588.69Building Fund Bils: \$134,147.40, Hot Lunch Fund Bills: \$21,394.79, Hot Lunch Manual Journal Entries: \$21,394.79, Activity Fund Bills: \$20,759.51, Towner FFA Bills: \$4,667.76, and Granville FFA Bills: \$1,871.00 Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

Smette/Johnson (MS) to approve the bills and finance report for Head Start. Bills: \$84,367.37, Manual Journal Entries: \$10,677.76. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

**New Business**  
McBeth/Kalvoda (MS) to approve the Superintendent Evaluation. Roll call, unanimously passed.

Work agreements and Extra Curricular and Co-Curricular agreements were presented.

McBeth/Johnson (MS) to adopt policy ACCB Protection for Student Victims of Sexual Offenses on the first read and to adopt presented changes to policies: ABAD Virtual School, FF Student Conduct and Discipline, FFI Student Use of Personal Technology, FFK Suspension and Expulsion. Policy BDD Compensation and Expenses for Board Members will stand as currently written. Roll call, unanimously passed.

Mrs. Hildenbrand, TGU Towner Principal, presented on the Progress Monitoring Report focusing on Goal 2, Math.

Johnson/McBeth (MS) to adopt the Theory of Action report.

Karen Hinch, with Be Legendary, walked the board through the board self-evaluation. The board ranked themselves in several areas. McBeth/Johnson (MS) to approve the self-evaluation score of 49. Roll call, unanimously passed.

Admin and student board member reports in the board packet with oral additions added.

The next meeting will be on December 10, 2025, at TGU Granville School 7 pm.

McBeth/Johnson (MS) to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

<b>General Fund</b>	
Aflac	6,740.29
Amazon Capital Services	1,194.90
Anne Carlsen Center	10,661.14
Apple Inc	899.00
Audible	14.95
Bachmeier, Ashley	110.64
Bismarck Radisson Hotel	227.00
Cashwise Foods	55.79
Cenex Fleet Fueling	8,240.70
Cenex	111.19
City of Granville	1,799.78
City of Towner	486.23
Cook, Anthony	357.00
Dakota Boys Ranch	5,175.00
Deatherage, Ami	55.00
DK Service	45.28
Envision	960.32
Eventbrite	90.63
Everspring Suites	110.00
Farmers Union Oil	23.81
Felber, Cassandra	70.85
Graham, Laura	390.82
Graham, Thomas	115.00
Granville FFA	130.00
H E Everson Company	257.83
Harlow's Bus Sales	213.25
Heart of America Medical Center	158.00
Hildenbrand, Nicole	50.00
Hjelmstad, Karen	33.00
Holiday Inn - Bismarck	762.60
Howard, Kaley	600.00
HR Collaborative	50.00
J.W. Pepper & Son Inc.	213.64
Joe's Pumping Service	400.00
Keller, Christina	600.00
Lowes	88.42
McBeth, Chelsea	254.00
Menards - Minot	891.06
Migler, Amanda	662.98
Minot Daily News	286.00
Mongeon, Jason	395.00
Mouse River Journal	1,110.54
Mystery Science	1,695.00
NCEC	7,500.00
ND School Boards Association	195.00
NDKA	75.00
ND Public Health Ins. Trust	66,467.81
Northside Autobody & Repair	1,220.00
O.K. Tire Store Minot	1,045.90
Ottertail Power Company	4,783.50
Pomps Tire Service, Inc	144.45
Rocknick Repair LLC	333.44
Schell Gas Station	30.00
Scholastic Magazines	96.25
Schwan, Angela	600.00
Scripps National Spelling Bee	199.00
Seright, Billy	600.00
SRT Communications, Inc	617.91
Supply House	1,408.28
Swenson, Hope	253.44
TCI	385.00
Texas Roadhouse	553.72
TGU School District Hot Lunch	55.00
Tonnessen, Jessica	369.60
Towner FFA	20.00
Towner Hardware Hank	201.90
US Postmaster	7.47
Vacuum & Sewing Center of Minot	95.97
Vestis	1,828.11

Wageworks Inc	125.00
Walmart	7.25
William H Sadlier Inc	29,661.55
<b>Building Fund</b>	
Gas Investments LLC	134,147.40
<b>Hot Lunch Fund</b>	
Amazon Capital Services	9.46
DPI	303.52
Leevers	92.25
Stein's, Inc	261.38
Sunrise Delivery	2,277.52
Sysco North Dakota	18,280.55
Vestis	117.78
Walmart	52.33

<b>Activity Fund</b>	
1481 Meats	165.00
Aberle, Erin	26.88
Amazon Capital Services	217.15
Anderson, Mike	273.00
Askvig, Curt	265.00
BSN Sports Inc	2,222.46
Carpenter, Darlene	168.00
Cash	139.00
Charbonneau, Dusten	440.00
Comfort Inn & Suites	440.00
CSTAND	600.00
Eckroth Music	39.28
Envision	30.00
Everspring Inn & Suites - Bis	419.85
Felber, Cassandra	126.00
Grochow, Kerry	233.00
Hanson, Sage	48.00
Heartland Market	45.00
Holtan, Chelsie	110.00
Hu Hot	80.98
Hudl	750.00
Hunskor, Tonya	46.00
Johnston, Jeremy	130.00
Keller, Charles	399.00
Keller, Rebecca	195.00
Klein, Courtney	405.00
Kuntz, Jerry	85.00
Kuntz, Jess	66.00
Livedalen, Trevor	60.00
Magic-Wrighter, Inc	34.95
Magnuson, Brody	80.00
Marketplace Foods	45.00
MPiX	309.80
Myers, Brody	210.00
NDCEL	115.00
Northern Bottling Co.	2,671.85
Olive Garden	212.00
Region 8 Play	125.00
Sam's Club	1,059.02
Schaff, Loretta	115.00
Schock, Wade	45.00
Smesrud, Julie	40.00
Subway	42.42
Takala, John	45.00
Target	44.30
TGU School District Hot Lunch	931.70
Thompson, Todd	30.00
TJ Designs	1,076.00
Training Room Inc.	393.25
Twice Blessed	45.00
Vollmer, Angel	80.00
Wagner, Luke	460.00
Wal*Mart	21.47
Walmart	174.91
Walter's Publishing	1,461.95
World's Finest Chocolate, Inc.	1,945.00
Zimmerman, Ethen	160.00
Zimmerman, Mason	80.00
<b>FFA Fund</b>	
Mongeon, Jason	4,667.76
<b>Granville FFA</b>	
EF Tours	190.00
Nation FFA Org	446.00
ND FFA Assoc.	1,235.00
<b>(January 21, 2026)</b>	

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF**  
**EDUCATION TGU SCHOOL**  
**DISTRICT #60**

Regular Meeting 12/10/2025  
7:00 pm, TGU Granville Library

President Jorde called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Johnson, and Kalvoda present. McBeth and Smette joined by phone. Superintendent Sweet, Business Manager Werle, Head Start Director Allison Driessen and Head Start Fiscal Officer Haman also present. Additional guest list is on file at the district office.

Pledge of Allegiance.  
Recognition of Visitors/Open to Public Comment.

Confirmation of Agenda  
Item E. Head Start Wage discrepancy payment was added.

Administrative Business  
Kalvoda/Smette (MS) to approve the November 12, 2025, regular minutes. Roll call, unanimously passed.

Johnson/Kalvoda (MS) to approve the bills and finance report for the TGU School District. General fund bills: \$74,317.54, General Manual Journal Entries: \$43,163.26, Payroll: \$421,265.18, Building Fund Bills: \$25,000.00, Hot Lunch Fund Bills: \$19,521.11, Hot Lunch Manual Journal Entries: \$20,009.37, Activity Fund Bills: \$18,584.10, Activity Fund Manual Journal Entries: \$50.00, Granville FFA Bills: \$11,937.76 Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

Johnson /Kalvoda (MS) to approve the bills and finance report for Head Start. Bills: \$121,973.72, Manual Journal Entries: \$5,400.52, Payroll: \$117,485.05. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

**New Business**  
Kalvoda/Johnson (MS) to approve the retirement resignation of Julie Smesrud. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed. Thank you to Julie Smesrud for your time dedicated to our students.

Discussion on the Math Teacher for TGU Towner. Discussion on Extending H1B visa on Math Teacher for TGU Granville. Discussion on Employer Sponsor Visa. Mr. Sweet asked to gather more information on the Employer Sponsor Visa.

Johnson/McBeth (MS) to hire a 5th grade teacher for the TGU Granville site beginning in 26/27 school year. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

Smette/Johnson (MS) to extend the H1B visa for the TGU Granville Math teacher. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

Kalvoda/McBeth (MS) to table the Towner Class Trip. Roll Call taken, motion

unanimously passed.

Mr. Sweet presented on student assessments, scores, interventions and goals. Discussion on the assessments and goals by the board.

Johnson/McBeth (MS) to approve a wage discrepancy payment to Early Explorers staff based on years of position ranging from set amount to 7%. Employees paid through partnership will be paid based on a formula. Roll Call taken, motion unanimously passed.

Admin and student board member reports in the board packet with oral additions.

The next meeting will be on January 14, 2026, at TGU Towner School 7 pm.