

Public Notice

MINUTES OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE MEETING NEW ROCKFORD CITY COMMISSION NORTH DAKOTA NEW ROCKFORD CITY HALL June 2, 2022, Special Assessment Committee Meeting

President Seibold called SAC meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Roll Call: Seibold, Snyder and Longnecker all present.

Snyder made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Longnecker seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Seibold began with discussion on how to address frontal feet with odd, shaped lots. After much discussion and consideration, the Committee decided that it would be best to create zones to establish parameters. The Committee set and labeled 4 zones to use in the assessment process. The zones are as follows: Zone 1: Asphalt Zone 2: Gravel Zone 3: Watson and Zone 4: Sunberg.

The Committee requested Schumacher contact Harvey and Fessenden to ask them how they handled their special assessments. Schumacher is to also get the gravel cost from Wade Senger as well as total linear footage for project.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

The next SAC meeting will be held on June 16, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall.

Jerry Seibold, President
Becki Schumacher, Auditor

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE MEETING NEW ROCKFORD CITY COMMISSION NORTH DAKOTA NEW ROCKFORD CITY HALL May 19, 2022, Special Assessment Committee Meeting

Schumacher provided Notice to Chairman from City Auditor that certified the items of the total cost to be assessed.

President Seibold called SAC meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Roll Call: Seibold, Snyder and Longnecker all present.

Snyder made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Longnecker seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Seibold began with discussion on assessment proceedings. Committee reviewed documents from protest period as well the map provided by Interstate Engineering detailing the project layout out. Siebold suggested the Committee determine what unit of measurement would be used. The two options discussed were linear frontal footage and square footage. The Committee determined that they would assess the Street Project using frontal linear footage. The Committee discussed assigning groups/categories that will be used to calculate the benefit of each parcel of property. Group 1 includes asphalt and paved surfaces. Group 2 includes gravel surfaces. The Committee talked about adding another Group – a group that has

property on frontage roads. No decision was made. The Committee requested Schumacher contact Wade Senger Project Engineer to ask for more specifics in costs, mainly gravel. The Committee also requested Schumacher contact previous Auditor, George Ritzke requesting his attendance at the next meeting, to offer information pertaining to the previous city-wide assessment.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

The next SAC meeting will be held on June 2, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall.

Jerry Seibold, President
Becki Schumacher, Auditor

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NCPC REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

North Central Planning Council is seeking Proposals for current and start-up daycare centers/groups to be part of the Region III Regional Workforce Impact Program grant application. It is anticipated that \$400,000 will be available for grants to daycare center/groups if selected and upon grant approval. The RFP can be found at the NCPC website: <http://www.northcentralplanningcouncil.com/> and can be downloaded from there.

Proposals must be received at NCPC no later than Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. CST. Responses should be marked "Region III Daycare Program" in the subject line. For questions call Sandy at 701-662-8131. NCPC reserves the right to request additional information from all applicants and the right to reject any and all proposals.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NEW ROCKFORD CITY COMMISSION NORTH DAKOTA NEW ROCKFORD CITY HALL June 6, 2022, Regular Meeting

President Richter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall with Commissioner Hager, Commissioner McKnight, Commissioner Belquist, PWS Hirschert and Attorney Peterson present.

McKnight moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Buck-It's for a Special Permit. Belquist seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the May 2, 2022, Meeting Minutes as presented. Belquist seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the May 19, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Hager seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the financials as presented. McKnight seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the May bills. McKnight seconded. In a roll call vote, it was Richter, McKnight, Belquist, and Hager voting "aye". No nay votes. Ystaas absent. Motion carried.

Cardmember Services.....303.71

Central Plains Water Dis.....	30.00
AT&T.....	255.72
Eddy County.....	13,005.00
Neumiller Small Eng Repair.....	322.46
James Dockter.....	100.00
Dauenhauer Diesel.....	2,816.47
Transcript.....	271.35
Otter Tail Electric.....	2,454.31
Valley Plains Equip.....	20,500.00
Tony's Repair.....	15.00
Taverna Electric.....	1,449.13
Kim Johnson.....	125.00
Share Corp.....	1,747.49
Becki Schumacher.....	99.52
Dakota Dust Tex.....	39.25
NDTC.....	420.11
Northern Plains Electric.....	67.01
Grand Forks Utility.....	52.00
One Call Concepts.....	13.00
MARC.....	1,691.24
DEQ.....	18.54
Millers Fresh Foods.....	13.05
Cendak Coop.....	247.41
Otter Tail Power.....	3,668.89
Mick's 281.....	2,042.81
Hawkins.....	3,857.83
Duchscherer Supply.....	43.93
Butler Machinery.....	1,880.18
Divide Electric.....	1,578.48
Napa Auto Parts.....	416.47
Iron Hide Equip.....	4,500.00
Main Street Designs.....	5,799.99
NRABC.....	7,569.22
NR Parks and Rec.....	5,361.47
BCBSND.....	8,558.55
MDU.....	2,079.41
Insure Forward.....	154.00
Kristi Swenson.....	86.58
ND Job Service.....	25.00
Waste Mgmt.....	17,062.40
Bruce Hirschert.....	3,139.86
Richard Swenson.....	2,021.61
Becki Schumacher.....	2,747.70
Susie Sharp.....	1,674.56
Jason Munson.....	2,409.27
EFTPS.....	3,501.44
NDPERS.....	2,677.18
North Star Logistics.....	126,457.57

Jeff Doughty from Interstate Engineering reported on the water project. Currently the water is not coming in fast enough to satisfy the RO demand, there is a valve issue the teams are working on to resolve. Wade Senger from Interstate joined the discussion via phone to update on street project. Curb and gutter crew will start in June, with Bituminous coming in July working from West to East to 281.

PWS Hirschert reported PW staff have been with locates for gravel and concrete, blading gravel, and flushing hydrants. Letters have been sent to property owners that are not keeping up with their mowing needs. Free dump day was on June 1. Hirschert has been working on determining where to begin/continue with ADA ramps.

McKnight made a motion to approve the public works report as presented. Hager seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Larry Danduran requested a list of what is added to the city water. Richter advised said list is public information and can be obtained from city auditor.

The Second Reading of Chapter 18 Water and Sewer Article 2.1 Protection of Public Water System was read. Richter made a motion to approve Chapter 18 Water and Sewer Article 2.1 Protection of Public Water System. McKnight seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Waste Management renewal contract was reviewed. Richter tabled the issue until the July meeting.

The Otter Tail Proposal for Highway 281 streetlights were addressed after being tabled at

the previous Special Meeting. The proposal included an annual fee to the city for Otter Tail to take ownership and responsibility for the streetlights on Highway 281. McKnight expressed concern that the city had bought and paid for these lights in previous years, and the city would be turning over assets. It was discussed that the benefit to the city would outweigh the depreciated assets.

McKnight made a motion to approve the Otter Tail Proposal for Highway 281 streetlights. Belquist seconded. In a roll call vote it was Richter, McKnight, Belquist and Hager "aye". No nay votes. Ystaas absent. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the building permit for Bruce Hagen – side garage. Belquist seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

McKnight made a motion to approve local gaming permits for New Rockford Eagles Auxiliary – raffle. Richter seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the gaming site authorizations for Eddy County Rod and Gun Club. Richter seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the Financing Resolution authorizing the loan from the Bank of North Dakota in the amount of \$7,692,000.00 McKnight seconded. In a roll call vote it was Richter, McKnight, Belquist, Hager voting "aye". No nay votes. Ystaas absent. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the Special Event permit for Bucks-It's LLC on July 2, 2022, for a street dance on 9th street and for Midway Aerie 2923 for July 1, 2022, through July 4, 2022, for a street dance with outdoor bar and annual BBQ at 7 8th Street S. Belquist seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to approve the street closures for Midway Aerie 2923 July 1-4 and for Buck-It's July 2. Richter seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

McKnight made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Liquor and Beer License Renewals for: Marjorie Lies, DBA Log Cabin Liquors, Midway Aerie 2923, Cendak Cooperative, Dakota Prairie Regional Center for the Arts, Buck-It's LLC and Hanson's Bar LLC, and Rockford Bowl DBA Wonder Lanes. Hager seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Hager made a motion to designate the New Rockford Transcript as the official newspaper. Richter seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

McKnight made a motion to approve the Resolution Setting the City Auditors Bond Limit. Hager seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Organization Meeting is set for June 28, 2022, at City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 5, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVE AT NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Stuart Richter, President
Becki Schumacher, Auditor

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Dakota Recreation Report

by Patricia Stockdill



Outdoor notes:

*July 1: Deadline for electronic "no trespass" posting. Go to the N.D. Game & Fish Dept. for information.

Tournaments:

*June 24 & 25: Devils Lake, Grahams Island State Park.
*June 25: Lake Audubon, cabin sites.

Fishing:

*Devils Lake elevation, June 14: 1,450.65 feet above mean sea level (MSL).

*Stump Lake elevation: 1,450.6 MSL.

*Lake Sakakawea elevation: 1,831.17 MSL; 18,900 cubic feet per second average (CFS) Garrison Dam daily releases.

*N.D. Game & Fish Dept. Dist. game wardens: No Missouri River System, Devils Lake, or east-central area lake reports.

*Devils Lake, Ed's Bait Shop, Devils Lake: Fair for walleye with some nice-sized fish showing up. Try slip bobbers. Improving success on main Devils Lake as water temperatures warm. Northern feeder lakes continue producing walleye, as well.

*Devils Lake, Lakeview Lodge, Minnewaukan: Fair to good walleye activity prior to weather front moving in early in the week. Work shallow with crankbaits but look for more movement in deeper water soon.

*Devils Lake, Woodland Resort, Devils Lake: Fair to good for walleye using slip bobbers in shallow water.

*Foster County area lakes, Dry Dock, Carrington: Continued activity throughout area lakes but limited reports.

*Jamestown Reservoir, Pioneer Bait & Tackle, Jamestown: Continued activity throughout area lakes. Try a variety of bait.

*Jamestown Reservoir, Sooper Stop, Jamestown: Best walleye success is with leeches or nightcrawlers. Try Alkali Lake or Mallard Marsh.

*Lake Ashtabula, The Hungry Pelican at the Crossing, Laverne: Continued fair to good walleye success with several nice-sized fish taken. Try a variety of presentations.

*Lake Ashtabula, Bayshore, Valley City: Steady success for a nice mix of perch and walleye. Water temperatures remain on the cool side yet.

*Lake Sakakawea, Cenex Bait & Tackle, Garrison: East end of Lake Sakakawea continues improving for walleye. Work 3 to 13 feet with minnows or nightcrawlers and jigs or Lindy rigs around deTrobian, Garrison, or Douglas bays on the north side or Pick City and Mallard Island on the south side. Move around, though. Work deeper on Lake Audubon for walleye in 20 feet. North Lake of Audubon remains good for bass.

*Lake Sakakawea, Indian Hills Resort, Garrison: Fair to good for walleye in 6 to 15 feet with Lindy rigs or a plain hook with minnows. Some success starting with nightcrawlers. Try McKenzie Bay but move farther east closer to Indian Hills, as well.

*Lakes Audubon & Sakakawea, Hwy. 83 Lawn & Leisure, Garrison: Try jigs and minnows along the shallow flats of Steinke, Centennial, or Douglas bays for walleye.

*Lake Sakakawea/Lake Audubon/Missouri River, Scott's Bait and Tackle, Pick City: Missouri River tailrace producing lots of small walleye using jigs and minnows. Try the "blowout" channel below the spillway or the stumps. Also, try the spillway area from shore. Better success casting from shore or boats at night for larger walleye. Some catfish success, including from the wing walls. East end of Lake Sakakawea producing some salmon. Try a variety of presentations, including downriggers with herring or squids or longlining crankbaits along the face of the dam or along the U.S. Highway 83 embankment. Sporadic walleye bite. Try 7 Sisters or Steinke, deTrobian, or Douglas bays on the north shore trolling in 12 to 18 feet or casting jigs and minnows towards shore. Look for a switch to nightcrawlers soon, as well as trolling with spinners and bottom bouncers. Better success remains west, though. Lake Audubon producing a mix of walleye, pike, and bass along the northeast corner.

N.D. rivers:

*James River, Kensal: River stage, 5.74 feet; streamflow, 265 CFS.

*Pembina River, Walhalla, River stage, 5.72 feet; streamflow, 1,650 CFS.

*Red River, Grand Forks: River stage, 25.19 feet; streamflow, 17,600 CFS.

*Sheneye River, Warwick: River stage, 4.12 feet; streamflow, 309 CFS

Numbers to know:

*N.D. Game and Fish Department, main Bismarck office: (701) 328-6300, website: (<http://gf.nd.gov>).

*N.D. Game and Fish Department, Devils Lake office: (701) 662-3617.

*N.D. Game & Fish Department, Jamestown office: (701) 253-6480.

*Report All Poachers: (701) 328-9921.



Our Outdoors

By Nick Simonson

For reference

Atop the tank of the basement toilet, where any good publication of any sort rests in any household, sits a well-worn copy of the National Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Reptiles and Amphibians. As a smaller reference book, it tops of the stack of old Outdoor Life and Dakota Country magazines and sets perfectly on the foundation of the Complete Outdoor Encyclopedia, finishing off the easy access pyramid of print. The crown jewel of my bathroom reading with the emerald leather cover and the slightly torn half dust jacket with a full color photo of a green tree frog reminds me of where my outdoor adventures began and perhaps suggests where those of my progeny are heading.

Long before fishing was at the forefront of my summers, and well ahead of upland hunting filling my falls, I was obsessed with frogs, toads, salamanders, turtles, and lizards from the first spring evening where the air filled with a chorus of croaks to the migration of just-hatched baby snappers through the neighborhood back to the river in the fall. In each of the window wells around my grandmother's cabin in Detroit Lakes, Minn., in the basement of the farmhouse of my babysitter's parent's farm in Nome, N.D., and in the backwater muck of the ponds under the Hi-Line bridge along the Sheyenne

River north of our house in Valley City, N.D., I'd search for all the area had to offer. While limited in species to northern leopard frogs, wood frogs, spadefoot toads, snapping turtles, garter snakes, skinks and the handful of other cold-blooded creatures that are adaptable enough to call our sometimes-challenging region home, family trips to the panhandle of Florida opened my world of herpetological experience.

There in the warmth of pre-Easter March or April, I'd chase anoles across the wooden walkways surrounding the pool at my grandmother's condominium, watching them shift from green to brown as they made the jump from decorative hedge row to deck railing. I'd scoop from the grassy edges of the water hazards of area golf courses the eggs and tadpoles of unknown amphibians in hopes of transporting some home via a pre-Delta Northwest Airlines to see what they'd turn into. In the shade of the stations of the cross walkway behind the church up the road, mixed in with the palmetto bugs were the bright skinned green tree frogs so vibrant that they rivaled the one on cover on the field guide I used to identify them. Luckily one day, after having a good grasp of most of the poisonous species within the compendium and out stalking new specimens, I was able to recall in the moment-from memory-the

outline of a cottonmouth's head and decided to pass on attempting to capture the juvenile snake of about 16 inches in length, which was swimming alongside a school of tadpoles in a water hazard at the par three pitch-and-putt my parents were playing. I won't go so far as to say the hand-held reference saved my life, but it just might have.

I took my passion for the small book and the creatures within it to state and national Science Olympiad in high school, finishing in the top three at the state competition for the two years the Reptiles & Amphibians event was conducted, and notched a top 15 finish at the national event as a Sophomore. At this point, one can easily imagine my heightened level of disappointment when the event organizers rotated tree and plant identification in for my final two years on the team. While I purchased a similar Audubon Society guide for that event, my passion for tree identification never took root as deeply as my love of reptiles and amphibians.

But maybe, my curiosity for picking those things out in our natural world and learning more about them has been passed along to my oldest son, as this weekend he spent a good stretch of time utilizing his mother's phone in the house and around the yard. Using an application called *Picture-This*, he snapped photos of various plants that inhabit our yard, and those flowers in the vases inside. With each click of the camera button, the program would match the photo with its digital database and provide the name of the species and its traits on the screen which he would

read aloud. From the Canada thistles standing guard alongside the house and the dandelions interspersed in the lawn to the ivy on the back wall and the showy lily in the foyer bouquet, he'd warn of threats the plants posed to our pets, the notable identifiers on each and other elements of interest. His research went on until phone time ended.

In a world where technology and instant information dominate his day and the turning of a page is no longer a requirement for learning, it's nice to see a sense of exploration of the natural world arise from the growing virtual reality that competes for his attention. Because whether it's a field guide with paper and glossy pictorials that fueled my love of all that hopped, crawled, and slithered, or the snap-and-scan of an app that provides some added insight to what makes up the greenery around my eight-year-old, whatever gets a person outside and exploring, I'll refer to as an ally...in our outdoors.

Answers to last week's (June 13) puzzle

King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

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B	U	T	T	E	R	E	D	T	O
A	S	A	R	A	V	E	S	T	V
	S	P	E	E	I	D	E	P	P
	S	P	E	E	I	D	E	P	P
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Game & Fish News

July 1 deadline for landowners to post land electronically

The deadline for landowners interested in posting private land electronically for the 2022-23 hunting season is July 1.

Landowners can log into My Account on the North Dakota Game and Fish Department website, gf.nd.gov. The July 1 deadline is necessary to produce print material and digital content prior to hunting seasons that begin in August. The 2021 state legislature passed a bill to allow electronic posting of private land, giving landowners another option for posting private property.

Landowners who enrolled land electronically last year can renew, add or modify posting designations during the enrollment period. Others posting for the first time might need to create a profile. To post land, proceed to the "Land Parcels/Electronic Posting" section at the bottom of the page and click "Search/Renew Land

parcels." The electronic posting system is linked to land descriptions based on county tax parcel information.

The Game and Fish website has complete instructions for landowners, along with frequently asked questions for both landowners and hunters.

Anglers may not bring live aquatic bait into North Dakota

Anglers are reminded that it is illegal to import minnows and other forms of live aquatic bait, such as leeches and frogs, into North Dakota.

When purchasing live aquatic bait, anglers must buy from a licensed North Dakota retail bait vendor. Bait vendors can properly identify species and ensure all bait is clean of any aquatic nuisance species.

For more information, refer to the 2022-24 North Dakota Fishing Guide, available at license vendors or online at the state Game and Fish Department website, gf.nd.gov.