## **Notice of Execution Sale**

IN DISTRICT COURT, RANSOM COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA Civil No. 37-2024-CV-00100 NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

The Industrial Commission of North Dakota, acting as the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency, Plaintiff,

vs.
Joseph D. Zobach, single man; any other
person in possession; and United States of
America acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development:

Defendants. 1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of a judgment and decree of foreclosure rendered and given in the District Court in and for the County of Ransom, North Dakota, Southeast Judicial District, entered and docketed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court on November 4, 2024, in an action wherein The Industrial Commission of North Dakota, The Industrial Commission of North Dakota, acting in its capacity as the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency was Plaintiff and Defendants Joseph D. Zobach, single man; any other person in possession; and United States of America, acting through the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development were the Defendants; on which day it was adjudged that there was due and owing the Plaintiff from the Defendant Joseph D. Zobach together with costs and disbursements of said action, the sum of \$140,306.69, and by virtue of a Special Execution issued to me by the Clerk of said Execution issued to me by the Clerk of said Court, I will sell the real property described in said judgment and hereafter described to the highest bidder for cash at public auction at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Lisbon, County of Ransom, North Dakota, on January 28, 2025, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. of that day to satisfy the amount due with or so much thereof as the proceeds of said sale applicable thereto will satisfy.

2. The premises to be sold as aforesaid are situated in the County of Ransom, State of North Dakota, and are more particularly described as follows: All of Lot Fifteen of Block One of Jahren's

First Addition to the City of Enderlin, and all that part of adjacent Lot Fourteen of Block One of Jahren's First Addition to the City of Enderlin, as follows: A strip of said Lot Fourteen adjacent to said Lot Fifteen of said Block One of Jahren's First Addition to the City of Enderlin, running parallel to said Lot Fifteen and thence running Southwesterly for 25 feet being otherwise described as 25 feet of said Lot Fourteen abounding Fourth Avenue and 140 feet in length in a Northwesterly-Southeasterly direction and adjacent to said Lot Fourteen.
AND

Lot Sixteen, Block One of Jahren's First Addition to the City of Enderlin, Ransom County, North Dakota.

APN #: 26-7354000, 26-7355000 & 26-

(Street Address: 554 4th Avenue, Enderlin, ND 58027)

Dated at Lisbon, North Dakota, this 16 day of December, 2024. Darren Benneweis

Sheriff of Ransom County, North Dakota By: Sheriff Darren Benneweis Sarah A. Aaberg (ND ID #08393) Special Assistant Attorney General for the Industrial Commission of North Dakota acting as the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency

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### **Notice to Creditors**

Probate No.: 37-2024-PR-00031

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RANSOM, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of  $\bf SHARON$   $\bf FUGL,$  Deceased.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

1. 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 of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to barred. Claims fitus either be presented to ALLAN H. FUGL, personal representative of the estate, at 11659 73rd St. SE Verona, ND 58490 or filed with the Court. Dated this 2nd day of Dec. 2024

Allan H Fugl

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# **PUZZLE FAME**

playing as an individual.

"We went to this contest and came in second," Coit said about it. "And we all got too excited. None of us have ever been good at a sport before and we're like, 'Okay, we've found our thing."

Coit and her team began to seek out more puzzle competitions, beginning with traveling to the annual puzzle contest in St. Paul during the Winter Carnival.

It turned out to be just the right time to do it, as the activity grew exponentially during and surrounding the time of COVID.

"It just exploded," said Coit. "If you want to do speed puzzling now, you could participate in an event almost every weekend, either in-person or virtually."

#### Creating the U.S. **Jigsaw Puzzle Association**

Coit really had a knack for the activity, and so continued to attend events with her team around the country, and even planned on attending the World Jigsaw Puzzle Championships in Valladolid,

Coit and her team signed up to play in 2020, but obviously that didn't happen due to the pandem-

While waiting to compete in this event at a later time, Coit realized that there was not a national association for the activity.

Coit and several other people had reached out to the organizer of the world championships, Alfonso Alvarez-Ossorio, about the U.S. not having a national association.

"I just thought, that's weird. A lot of other games or sports have associations like chess or bridge,' said Coit. "So a bunch of us asked about how we could form one, and Alfonso just kind of shared all our contact info and we got on a Zoom call in January of 2020 to form the U.S. Jigsaw Puzzle Association."

Coit and the others worked on forming the nonprofit, and within a few months everything was up and running.

#### **Livestream commentary** and puzzle fame

Coit has done a lot of work and competed in a lot of competitions in the puzzle world, but according to Coit, it's the livestream commentary she's done over the last two years that's made her "puzzle-famous."

"I'm slightly famous in a very specific niche realm," Coit explained. "People would come up and talk to me like they've known me forever because they've spent a lot of time listening to me. I cherish that and I love it. But honestly, the people who are the real celebrities are the super-speedy puzzlers."

In 2022, she hosted a livestream as part of the U.S. National Championship. Soon afterward, the World Championship organizer reached out to see if she'd do it for the World Championship.

The World Championship lasted five days and had representatives from 79 countries. Over those five days, Coit interviewed puzzle influencers, talked with past and current champions, and added commentary on the current puzzle competition. Coit provided 38 hours of commentary over the event.

Coit co-hosted the livestream last year with a consistent host, but this year she hosted solo with several temporary co-hosts throughout the day.

'It was fun to bring them in and let them provide commentary on what they were seeing," said Coit. "And since there are long periods of time when people aren't necessarily finishing a puzzle, we'd learn about puzzling in their country or what they do as content creators.'

# **Fort Ransom School Board**

FORT RANSOM SCHOOL DISTRICT #6 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING **SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 7:00 PM** 

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING & ZERO MILLS HEARING: The zero mills hearing was held at 7:00 pm the night of the regular September Board meeting on Monday, September 9, 2023 at the Fort Ransom School. The board members were in attendance and two other patrons of the District were in attendance. A handout was presented giving the past 5-year history of the mills, taxable valuation, and the amount levied by the Fort Ransom School District. The 2024-2025 budget and revenue were also in the handout. NDCC 57-15- 02.2

The School Board Meeting was called to order by President, Jonathan Ness, at 7:18 p.m. Roll Call was taken:

Members Present: Jonathan Ness Lynn Thorfinnson Stacy Ercink Chelsey Jones

Samantha Weidner
Others Present:
Dr. Steven Johnson, Superintendent Ben Zahrbock, Principal Lynelle Hanson, Business Manager

Elizabeth Kruger CONSENT AGENDA: Jon moved to approve the consent agenda, with a 2nd by Chelsey. A unanimous roll call was taken and motion carried. PRINCIPAL REPORT: Mr. Zahrbock

reported on the annual compliance reports, STARS reports and teaching certificates all being up-to-date. He provided the enrollment breakdown (11 students) and has signed the school up for the annual spelling bee.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: N/A

GUESTS: Elizabeth Kruger CORRESPONDENCE: Notice from the Fort Ransom Rural Fire Department looking for donations for the new fire hall expenses. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: - Board

President Jon Ness met with the transporta-tion staff, including Darla Smith and James Sorby. Bus Routes were adjusted to the following: Darla will now drive one elementary route, and then to Lisbon in the morning. One

morning elementary route was eliminated.
The afternoon will change as follows:
instead of compensating our bus driver for
two routes, one route will be driven, with an
increased wage from \$56 to \$66/PM route. Darla Smith and our two substitutes have Daria Smith and our two substitutes have already attended the required workshop in Valley City. After discussion with James Sorby, it was decided to delegate bus issues to others. Jon Ness has volunteered to take all transportation-related calls from drivers and parents. We received notification that our SRSA application for funding year 2024-2025 has been awarded \$23,375. Northwest Valuations from Boise, ID, completed our inventory and valuations as required by the State Auditor's office on August 12. We are currently reviewing items for solo or disposal. Its beliens we on call omice on August 12. We are currently reviewly items for sale or disposal. I believe we can sell one of our two spare buses, along with a JD Mower that is no longer in use.

Other items like unused electronic devices will also be considered for disposal. Once

again, I will work with UND to provide graduate credit for our teachers, as I am also doing for Lisbon. We have adjusted the early dismissal days, reduced their number while extended their length. The State of North Da-kota has released curriculum guidelines for Al, which we have shared with our staff for review.
We started school on August 26 with 11 students in grades 1-6. Lynelle Hanson will assist board members interested in attending the NDSBA Annual Convention. New board

members are required by law to attend a New Member seminar. Ben Zahrbock has requested to add himself

as the building liaison for homeless, EL, and Foster care to his portfolio for the Certificate of

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A NEW BUSINESS: BUILDING LIAISON for HOMELESS, ELL,

& FOSTER CARE - Lynn T. moved to name

Benjamin Zahrbock as the Fort Ransom Liaison for the Homeless, ELL, and Foster Care. Stacy seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE: Stacy moved, seconded by Samantha to approve the Certificate of

Compliance for the 2024-2025 school year. Ben Zahrbock represents the school, and Dr. Johnson is responsible for the District. That hereby certifies that the school identified as #2898 and the LEA #006 meets all statutory requirements for school approval as stated in the North Dakota Century Code.

the North Dakota Century Code.

Approved by unanimous roll call vote.

TRANSPORTATION DECISIONS: Jon
moved with a second by Chelsey to approve of the following transportation changes: James Sorby will no longer serve as Bus Maintenance

Supervisor as of September 1st 2024. With this change occurring, Jon volunteered taking on the role of fielding the calls from the bus drivers and of fielding the calls from the bus drivers and parents/guardians of the students. An additional change will be that there will only be one morning bus route. The morning bus route will consist of all elementary bus students being picked up, dropped off at the Fort Ransom School, and then the rest of the Lisbon students taken to the Lisbon school (2 @ \$56). The final change will be that the afternoon bus route will be one

Lisbon school (2 @ \$50). In e mai change will be that the afternoon bus route will be one route & compensated at \$66/trip. A unanimous roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

NON-TUITION AGREEMENT: Chelsey moved to approve the Non-Tuition agreement

presented for 2 students attending the Litch-ville-Marion District. Sam seconded the mo-

tion. Approved by a unanimous roll call vote. SUBSTITUTE PAY: Jon moved to raise the substitute teacher pay to \$150/day with a second by Lvnn.

ond by Lynn.

Approved by unanimous roll call vote. While Mrs. Kruger was absent for her father-in-law's funeral, she had difficulty in finding a substitute in short time. She recruited Mrs. Mark to help her for one day. Jon moved to pay her \$75 additional pay for filling the gap. Stacy seconded the motion and all voted unanimously to approve.

CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION: Lynn moved to transfer Title I I funds to Title V to use for Renaissance subscription. Sam seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and mo-

ed the motion. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

BOARD MEETING CHANGE: Stacy moved

to make a change to the meeting date from June 9, 2025 to June 10th . Jon seconded the motion. A unanimous roll call vote was taken.

BUDGET REVISIONS AND RECOMMEN-DATIONS to amend the CERTIFICATE OF LEVY: Jon moved to amend the Certificate of Levy as follows: Miscellaneous fund levy to 6

mills (\$26,891.00), and the
Tuition fund to Smills (\$22,409.00) to better reflect our budget needs. Chelsey seconded the motion. A unanimous vote was cast and carried. The following are the amounts levied:

• Miscellaneous Fund \$26,891.00

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• General Fund \$295,799.00
• Tuition \$22,409.00
• Special Fund \$00,000.00
• TOTAL LEVIED \$345.09.9,00

MEETINGS: Our next regular school board meeting will be held Monday, December 9, 2024 @7:00 pm.

at the School office.

ADJOURNMENT: Chelsey moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm, with a second by Stacy. Approved by unanimous vote.

September 9, 2024 Jonathan Ness School Board President

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Fort Ransom School District #6 September 30. 2024 Bills List

30.00 68.00 120.84 CITY OF FORT RANSOM CITY VIEW FUEL DICKEY RURAL NETWORK - READITECH 201.47 FARGO FREIGHTLINER 1,079.29 LYNELLE HANSON INFO TECHNOLOGY DEPT I-STATE TRUCK CENTER 214.40 40.93 202.22

SHERRI NESS RANSOM COUNTY GAZETTE STEVEN JOHNSON 1,895.52 62.57 179.49 281.00 TEAL'S MARKET VESTIS CASS COUNTY ELEC COOP NORTH DAKOTA SPELLING BEE ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEE 85.00 JAMES SORBY 625.52 SOUTH VALLEY MUL TI DISTRICT 3,897.00 US FOODSERVICE - G F 626.26 VESTIS LISBON TRUE VALUE TEAL'S MARKET TEAL'S MARKET 174.90 7.07 36.41 53.53 TOTAL 10,141.69

TFFR is included above going forward PAYROLL, EFTPS, CK# 112563-112579 26,340.42 36,482.11

Fort Ransom School District #6 October 2024 Bills List
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT 50.99
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	203.57
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	163.88
SAM'S CLUB	518.01
STEVEN JOHNSON	1,609.00
US FOODSERVICE - G F	403.19
VESTIS	174.90
BASE	30.00
CITY OF FORT RANSOM	64.00
DARREL BJONE	2,170.00
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INST	
	498.99
FAT MAN TRASH	283.50
THE HARTFORD	340.00
INFO TECHNOLOGY DEPT	40.93
KOTACO	2,689.60
LISBON TRUE VALUE	117.49
US FOODSERVICE - G F	431.13
CASS COUNTY ELEC COOP	358.00
GOOD OIL CO INC	442.50
VALUATIONS NORTHWEST, INC	1,780.00
VESTIS	183.90
ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRIC	,, -
SAM'S CLUB	206.27
US FOODSERVICE - G F	337.13
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TEAL'S MARKET	41.97
TEAL'S MARKET	53.13
DFS, INC. FLEX PLAN	105.93
DFS, INC. FLEX PLAN	257.84
EVERSPRING INN	198.00
TEAL'S MARKET	25.14
PAYROLL, EFTPS, TFFR	28,203.77
Total	43,917.39
Fort Ransom School District #6	

November 2024 Bills List AED EVERYWHERE, INC.

191.00 30.00 BASE CITY OF FORT RANSOM 64,00 DICKEY RURAL NETWORK - READITECH 205.64

LYNELLE HANSON 244.44 41.10 147.88 INFO TECHNOLOGY DEPT RANSOM COUNTY GAZETTE STEVEN JOHNSON 1,609.00 12.08 283.04 TEAL'S MARKET US FOODSERVICE - G F 174.90 223.78 83.80 VESTIS SAMANTHA WEIDNER ECOLAB PEST ELIM DIV ND DEPT OF HEAL TH & HUMAN SERVICES 140.00 OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR

1,640.00 63.92 470.00 BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT CASS COUNTY ELEC COOP 151.49 363.16 SAM'S CLUB US FOODSERVICE - G F VESTIS 174.90 AMAZON AMAZON TEAL'S MARKET 13.50 15.58 22.10 JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA TEAL'S MARKET LISBON TRUE VALUE 56.83 22.10 TEAL'S MARKET
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Coit today

Today, Coit said that as she's become more involved in the puzzling world and the people who are part of it, her own puzzling has fallen off a bit. When she finds time between her work as a communications professional at Swenson College of Science and Engineering at the University of Minnesota-Duluth and her duties in the U.S. Association and her commentary personality, she'll work a puzzle from the previous world championship.

"One of the forms of payment I get from the world championship is to take the puzzles home from the competition," said Coit. "Since last year, I've maybe gotten three of them done from the massive stack. But it's still fun to do when I can find the time.'

She lives in the country near Wrenshall, MN, where they moved after a few years of living in the city of Duluth. Here they can enjoy having more room to roam and are closer to some good friends.

She said she does enjoy any spare time she can find by unplugging from the computer and taking walks with her pups. She also has a sauna and cold plunge that she tries to use to relax as well.

Ransom County roots

While Coit is "puzzle famous" and busy with many other things in her life, she won't ever forget her Ransom County roots.

"I miss living in the wide open spaces of Ransom County, so it's always nice to visit. Sometimes I think that's why I like living near Lake Superior," she said.

Much of northern Minnesota is hilly with dense forests, but the lake is huge and a big wide open space which feels more like home

"I have so many great memories of hanging out in the Lisbon park in the summer, going to the swimming pool and the roller skating

"My mom, Clarice Coit, lives in Lisbon now and I try to visit every few months to relax and enjoy time with her. We always work in a visit to the Lisbon Thrift Store to look for used jigsaw puzzles and other bargains, and I love walking my chihuahua Peanut around town and in the park."

"My mom is a big reason I'm such a puzzle enthusiast, as she always enjoyed puzzling with me and my siblings growing up and regularly bought me puzzles as gifts. We still puzzle together all the time and she was quite popular at Nationals.

"She won one of the last raffle prizes and got a really big cheer when she went up to accept it, as so many people had gotten to know her over the course of the weekend.

"I'm busy helping to plan the next national championship in

Washington, D.C. from April 4-6, 2025. Hopefully, my Mom will get to come to that event, too, and spend some time with me there afterwards to enjoy seeing the sites in D.C.

# For more info

Coit said that there are many ways that puzzlers can get connected and try out a contest.

"Speedpuzzling.com offers virtual events all the time, which is a great way to start out, as you don't need to travel," she said, "Just sign up and pay the registration fee and a puzzle is sent to you as well as a link to join a Zoom call and compete with other folks from all around the country.

"USAJPA also offers a speed-run puzzle where you can order a special puzzle that people do multiple times to try and keep improving and post the fastest times.

"Creating a Facebook group for local puzzlers is also a great idea. It gives people the ability to swap puzzles easily and set up friendly competitions or casual puzzling events.

"Years ago, I offered some puzzle competition advice to a friend of mine at KFGO and now they're hosting the North Dakota Jigsaw Puzzle Championship event which is really popular, so that's a contest that happens annually in Fargo for people to check out."