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IN DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF BOWMAN  
SOUTHWEST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Case No. 06-2025-PR-00010  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
**In the Matter of the Estate of  
NICHOLAS FRED SCHAFF,  
Deceased.**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or the claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be presented to Bradley Schaff or Allen Schaff, Co-Personal Representatives of the estate, at the address shown below, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 18th day of March 2025.

/s/ Bradley Schaff  
BRADLEY SCHAFF  
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Stone Mountain, GA 30087

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ALLEN SCHAFF  
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Loveland, CO 80537

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### OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOWMAN COUNTY, BOWMAN, NORTH DAKOTA

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on March 18, 2025, with the following present: Pine Abrahamson, Rick Braaten, Jerid Janikowski and Nathan Miller. Josh Buchmann was present via phone. Chairman Braaten called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Guest present: Wayne Kromarek. Braaten asked for corrections or additions to the agenda. Abrahamson moved to approve the agenda. Janikowski seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

The following March 18, 2025, vouchers were approved by a motion made by Miller, with Abrahamson seconding the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

39591 A2Z Printing	\$244.20
39592 Bowman Auto Parts	\$552.14
39593 Bowman County Treasurer	\$400.00
39594 City of Bowman	\$3,583.28
39595 Consolidated	\$1,867.68
39596 Dacotah Paper Co	\$408.54

39597 Datrue	\$5,775.00
39598 Dooley Enterprises	\$174.98
39600 Karla Germann	\$158.00
39602 ND Assn Co. Tribal Veteran Off	\$85.00

39599 ND Information Technology	\$988.35
39601 ND Township Officers Assn	\$1,600.00
39603 NDSU Pesticide	\$30.00
39604 Nutrien Ag Solutions	\$33,507.40

39605 ProPoint	\$1,216.43
39606 Salamander Technologies	\$41.73
39607 Scranton Equity	\$4,092.21
39608 Slope Electric	\$574.92
39609 SWMCCC	\$4,450.00
39610 The Badlands Patriot	\$100.00
39611 Uniform Center	\$91.98
39612 Unlimited Office Products	\$442.99

39613 Vanguard Appraisals	\$1,100.00
39614 Verizon	\$442.00
39615 Wanzek Construction	\$25.00
39619 Wild & Weiss Law Office	\$1,250.00

39617 Woodley's Construction	\$15.96
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Miller moved to approve the March 4, 2025, minutes with Janikowski seconding the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Buchmann moved to approve the Weather Modification Authority Resolution. Abrahamson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on approval of the Construction Engineer for Project BRP-BRJ-0006 (052), PCN 23550. Janikowski moved to approve Brosz Engineering as the Construction Engineer for the project. Abrahamson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Jodi Freier, Bowman County Tax Director, met to give an update on values. Tax equalization meetings will begin in April.

At 10 AM Chairman Braaten called the Unorganized Townships Annual meeting to order. Guests present: Jerry Jeffers, Wayne Kromarek, Brad Mosher, Junior McGee, Theresa McGee. The board reviewed the financial reports. Janikowski moved to adjourn the Unorganized Townships Annual meeting at 10:10 AM. Miller seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on burn restrictions. Buchmann moved to implement the following burn restriction:

WHEREAS, Bowman County, North Dakota is experiencing conditions favorable for wildfires (drought conditions, high winds, lower humidity's, significant fuel supplies, spotty rainfall, etc.); and

WHEREAS, Bowman County, North Dakota has already experienced rural fires as of this date; and

WHEREAS, the impact of these fires could threaten health, well-being and safety of the citizens of Bowman County; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property from these fires; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear and fire damages may be in excess of county resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Bowman County Commissioners declare a burn restriction on open burning, fireworks, garbage piles and pits in Bowman County, effective as of this date. The only allowed exception to this restriction is the responsible use of gas grills, used at a safe distance from combustible materials. This restriction will be in effect when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Index rating is in the High, Very High or Extreme category and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for Bowman County, North Dakota. The daily Rangeland Fire Index can be found at the following website: <https://ndresponse.gov/burn-ban-restrictions-fire-danger-maps>

This restriction also includes the incorporated cities in Bowman County.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THE BURN RESTRICTION IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37-17.1-10): MAXIMUM SENTENCES OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1500 FINE.

Miller seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Frank Eberle and Jason Bullis, Bowman County Sheriff's Office, met to give an update on their office.

Teran Doerr, BCDC, met on behalf of the Bowman County Housing Authority to discuss bids received for the Jesco Apartment Siding Project.

Discussion was held on the Renaissance Zone Extension for the City of Bowman. Janikowski moved to approve a letter of support for the renewal of the Renaissance Zone. Miller seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

State's Attorney Weiss reported that he is still waiting for one stockpile agreement to come back.

Bowman County Highway Superintendent, Shane Biggs, and Billy Doerr, Brosz Engineering, met to discuss road projects. Guests present: Wayne Wilson, Bo Wilson. Abrahamson moved to approve the Directional Boring Permit Applications from Slope Electric Cooperative. Janikowski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project. They are still in the process of getting easements signed for the project. The bids for the project were opened on March 17, 2025. Wilson Construction is the low bid. Miller moved to grant a memorandum agreement with Fischbein-Flatz that would allow the landowner to farm within the permanent easement. Janikowski seconded the motion. Miller rescinded his motion and Janikowski rescinded his second of the motion. Janikowski moved to allow a Bowman County Commissioner to negotiate the footage of a permanent easement with a landowner regarding the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project. Abrahamson seconded the motion. Janikowski rescinded his motion. Abrahamson rescinded his second of the motion.

Buchmann moved to accommodate the requests of landowners, Fischbein-Flatz, Kelly Schumacher, and Poverty Hill Farm for their permanent easements for the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project. Janikowski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Janikowski moved to approve the low bid from Wilson Construction for the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project with the condition that the signed permanent easements from Fischbein-Flatz, Kelly Schumacher, and Poverty Hill Farm are obtained. Abrahamson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

At 2:24 PM Janikowski moved to adjourn the meeting, with Miller seconding the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Rick Braaten, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners  
ATTEST: Mindy Schumacher, Bowman County Auditor

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### Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on March 4, 2025 at City Hall at 4:00 PM.

**Present:** Lyn James, President, Vice-Chair Ryan Shear, Benjamin Schaaf, Sara Bullis, Myron Vail, Chief Headley, Bill Mason, Steve Ness, Peggy Allen, and Aaron Allen. **Absent:** Shannon Hewson and Todd Hofland.

President James called the meeting order at 4:00 pm. Motion by Shear, second by Schaaf to approve the agenda. RCV= all aye, MC.

**Direct Deposit:** \$35,560.12; **Checks**

#14301 – 14318; **Voided Checks:** None; **Bills:** Advanced Business Methods \$183.75, Badlands Patriot \$965.30, Boss Office Products \$356.95, Bowman Auto Parts \$201.06, Bowman Park and Rec \$4,538.26, Bowman Sales and Service \$282.82, Bowman Vet Clinic \$185.00, Bronson's Marketplace \$62.46, Brosz Engineering \$7,287.50, Dakota Dust-Tex \$126.30, Frontier Travel Center \$709.37, Hawkins \$939.83, Loretta Olind \$1,150.00, MDU \$10,976.52, ND Dept. of Environmental Quality \$525.00, Team Laboratory \$751.00, VISA \$1,422.82, and Workforce Safety and Insurance \$13,024.51.

**BROSZ ENGINEERING – HEWSON: Chip Seal:** Hewson was not present but sent a report and asked for approval to advertise for chip seal bids. Motion by Schaaf, second by Shear to approve advertising for chip seal bids and have James sign the Invitation For Bid. RCV= all aye, MC.

**Water Tank Engineering Cost Share Grant:** Allen presented the contract the Hewson sent for the cost share of the water tank engineering. The State Water Commission will pay \$132,000.00 and the City will be responsible for \$88,000.00. Motion by Schaaf, second by Bullis to approve James signing the cost share reimbursement agreement with the State Water Commission, based on our engineers review of suggested actions addressed by our City Attorney. RCV= all aye, MC.

**MASON & NESS - WATER AND SEWER DEPT.:**

**Dept Head Report:** Mason reported a water leak by the Krebsbach/Kulseth Funeral Home in the street. JK Excavation couldn't get here until the next day to help dig up the leak, the frost was down 4' in the ground. The funeral home and two houses were without water over night.

**Water Dept. Pickup:** A rabbit went through the grill of the new water pickup, Mason ordered a new grill.

**GARBAGE DEPT- ALLEN:**

**Garbage Truck Repairs:** Allen stated he had a couple of garbage trucks go down during the cold spell. One truck gelled up near Baker. Another truck that had a radiator replaced twice has been leaking, he patched it and it is working for now. Westlie Truck Center employee said there is a manufacturer problem with the radiators. Hopefully they will warranty this one also.

The 2017 Freightliner has 165,000 miles on it and 10,000 hours. It has an oil leak and has an appointment at Westlie Truck Center in Dickinson, because it keeps going into D rate after they regenerate it.

**CHIEF HEADLEY – POLICE DEPT.:** **Activity Report for 2/17/25 – 3/2/25:** Incidents-4 (traffic stop, domestic disturbance, theft automobile, narcotics/paraphernalia possession, and leaving the scene of an accident); Calls for Service – 36 (information report-8, extra patrol-7, public relations-3, narcotics intelligence -2, traffic complaint-2, welfare check-2, medical emergency-2, violation of city ordinance, citizen assist, 911 hangup, business courtesy/security check, suspicious person/circumstance, dog or cat running at large, domestic disturbance, theft/automobile, direct traffic, and industrial accident); Traffic Stops – 57 (verbal warning-26, written warning-17, citation-13, and arrest-1); Arrests – 2 (drug possession-2, traffic violation, drug sale/manufacture, and other criminal offense.)

**DARE Graduation:** There will be a DARE Graduation on March 31st at the WE Solberg Gym at 2:00 pm, Chief Headley invited Allen and the Commission to attend. There will be 39 graduates. Headley asked James to speak and he is trying to get a BCI person to speak at the event.

**Guardian Score Program:** Headley gave a presentation to the Commission on a Police/Community Relations program called Guardian Score. It would entail handing out business cards with a one-time scan QR code that leads to

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