

# RICHLAND & WILKIN COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICES

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**Notice to Contractors**  
**ANNUAL EQUIPMENT/TRUCK RENTAL and AGGREGATE QUOTES**

The Richland County Highway Department would like to remind contractors that Annual Equipment/Truck Rental and Aggregate Quotes are required to be on file prior to any work being performed for Richland County in 2025. Special Provisions and Annual Quote forms are available by contacting the County Highway Department Office at (701) 642-7810, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. The Highway Department is requesting that all quotes be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2025.

Each quote must be submitted upon the basis of cash payment for the work, on blanks furnished by the Highway Department.

Each quote shall contain a copy of the license or certificate of renewal thereof issued by the Secretary of State, as well as a Certificate of Insurance. In the event a bidder is quoting solely truck rental, a Commercial Motor Carrier License shall be accepted in lieu of a Contractor's license. No work shall be awarded to any contractor unless they are a holder of a North Dakota Contractor's License or a Commercial Motor Carrier License and has a Certificate of Insurance.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all quotes or to waive any informality in the quotes received and to accept any quote deemed to be most favorable to the interests of Richland County.

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**NOTICE TO GRAVEL CRUSHING CONTRACTORS**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received for crushing approximately 125,000 tons of aggregate surfacing material in the county pit for maintenance and construction purposes. Bids shall be received at the office of the Richland County Highway Department, County Courthouse, 418 Second Avenue North, Wahpeton, North Dakota, until **8:15 a.m. Tuesday, March 4, 2025**, and then at the commission meeting room at the courthouse, the County Commission will publicly open and read aloud same.

Each bid must be submitted upon the basis of cash payment for the work, on blanks furnished by the Highway Department, and shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing an acceptable bidder's bond and contractor's license. Bid proposals may be obtained at the Richland County Highway Department, 418 Second Avenue North, Wahpeton North Dakota.

All bids must be submitted in a bidding envelope that is securely sealed. The envelope shall be plainly marked "Gravel Crushing Bids" and shall have the name of the person, firm, or corporation submitting the bid.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bids received and to accept any bid deemed to be most favorable to the interests of Richland County.

Done by order of the Board of Commissioners of Richland County, North Dakota, this 4th day of February, 2025.

Sandy Fossum  
 County Auditor/Director of Finance

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Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by Wilkin County Board of Commissioners at the office of the County Engineer, 515 South 8th Street, Breckenridge, Minnesota 56520, until 11:00 am on March 19th, 2025, for the following:

**Construction for Bituminous Milling, Full Depth Reclamation, Bituminous Surfacing, and Aggregate Shouldering in Wilkin County, Minnesota. Bids will be opened and read publicly at the Office of the Wilkin County Engineer, 515 South 8th Street in Breckenridge, Minnesota.**

**Project and Scope:**  
**SAP 084 – 619 – 045 Project Length 7 miles**

- 102,170 Sq. Yd. Bituminous Milling
- 144,046 Sq. Yd. Stabilized Full Depth Reclamation
- 38,307 Ton Bituminous Mixture

**Plans, proposals and special provisions may be examined and secured at the office of the County Engineer at 515 South 8th Street, Breckenridge, MN 56520 (or mail to) at a cost of:**

**Plan & Proposal.....\$60.00per set**

Project Plans and Proposals can be found online at <https://mn-co-wilkin.app.rtvision.com/office>.

**All bids must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bidder's bond, payable to the Wilkin County Treasurer for at least five (5) percent of the Proposal, said check or bond to be forfeited to Wilkin County if an award is made to the bidder and he fails to execute a contract and bond covering same. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive any irregularities, hold all bids for a period of 30 days before making an award and to accept the bid which best suits the interest of Wilkin County.**

**Dated at Breckenridge, Minnesota, this 4th day of February, 2025.**  
 Troy Wright, P.E.

Wilkin County, Minnesota  
 Legal No. WDN000982 – Published Saturday, February 15, Saturday, February 22 and Saturday, March 1, 2025

**SUMMARY OF COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS – January 21st, 2025**

Summary minutes of the Wilkin County Board of Commissioners held at the Courthouse, Breckenridge, Minnesota, on January 21st, 2025. Commission Braton was absent.

Regular Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approve the Agenda, with additions.
3. Approve the Consent Agenda. 4-0
4. Approval of Per Diems. 4-0
5. Health and Human Services Monthly Report.
6. Approval of CAPLP MOU. 4-0
7. Approval of Cannabis Grant. 4-0
8. Approval of Receipt of Funds from Insurance Company. 4-0
9. Approval of the renewal of the CCRI Aftercare Agreement. 4-0
10. Approval for the out of state travel for Margeret Wierzema and Elizabeth Mattis. 4-0
11. Discussion on Local Advisory Counsel on mental health information on Wilkin County Needs.
12. Request approval of assignment of parking lot to Wilkin County. No motion was made.
13. Request approval of new

back up radios with state funds. 4-0

14. Request approval of 2023 EMPG Grant Contract. 4-0
15. Approval of the cancellation of Granite Telecommunications contract and approve Red River Communications Service change form. 4-0
16. County Administrator Report.
17. Approval of the prohibition of Excessive Force Policy - SCDG Grant Required. 3-1
18. Approval of the Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan - SCDG Required. 4-0
19. Approval of the certification of Drug-Free Workplace - SCDG Grant Required. 4-0
20. Approval of hiring the Veterans Service Officer at a Grade 6 Step 6. 4-0
21. Approval Resolution 05-2025 Lost Warrant - Terri Tschakert. 4-0
22. Committee Reports and discussion. Meeting adjourned at 10:11 A.M.

A full and complete copy of the county board minutes are available on the county website or in person at the Wilkin County Administration Building at, 505 8th St S, Breckenridge, MN 56520.

Exhibit A Warrants and Bills  
 Per Minn. Stat. 375.12, the number of claims totaling \$2,000.00 or less were 86,

amounting to \$37,295.60.

Vendor Amounts

Abdo Financial Solutions 3,857.50  
 Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc. 10,674.82  
 Association Of MN Counties 17,956.00  
 Brian's Repair 4,162.16  
 Catalis PWE, LLC 4,195.00  
 CDW Government 29,900.05  
 City Of Breckenridge 6,000.00  
 Conzemius Oil Company 4,663.70  
 Counties Providing Technology 7,364.00  
 CW Valley Co-Op 2,357.05  
 DebtBook 5,250.00  
 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 3,604.87  
 Digital Guru, Inc. 4,162.16  
 Electro Watchman, Inc. 3,072.25  
 Farmers Union Oil of Southern 5,856.32  
 Information Systems Corp 13,190.00  
 Liberty Tire Services, Llc 2,352.67  
 Minnesota Sheriff's Association 4,577.58  
 MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust 270,102.00  
 Mn Human Services 2,880.65  
 MNGCC LOCKBOX 23,069.01  
 Otter Tail County Sheriff's Office 2,175.00  
 Otter Tail County Treasurer 21,968.48  
 St Francis Healthcare Campus 2,545.96  
 Summerville Electric, Inc. 2,167.65  
 Summit Food Service, LLC 14,829.66  
 Team Laboratory Chemical Corp 192,500.00  
 U.S. Bank 285,211.25  
 West Central Indexing Lie 5,459.00  
 West Central Regional Juvenile 15,592.00

Legal No. WDN000988 – Published Saturday, February 15, 2025

**IN THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, COUNTY OF RICHLAND IN THE DISTRICT COURT, SOUTH-EAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee for LB-Dwelling Series V Trust, Plaintiff,

v.

Paul E. Boelke and Juanita M. Boelke and Heirs & devisees of the Estate of Juanita M. Boelke and all persons unknown, claiming any estate or interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon, the real estate described in the complaint, and any person in possession, Defendants.

**SUMMONS**

CIVIL NUMBER: 39-2025-CV-00027

**THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:**

1. To the above-mentioned Defendants including all persons unknown, claiming any estate or interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon, the real estate described in the complaint.
2. You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action, which is herewith served upon you, by serving upon the undersigned a copy of an Answer or other proper response within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service.
3. If you fail to do so, Judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
4. This Summons and Complaint will be filed with the Clerk of this Court.
5. This action relates to the foreclosure of a mortgage upon the following described real property in the County of

Richland, State of North Dakota:

Lot numbered Eight (8) and the East Sixteen (16) feet of Lot numbered (9) in Block numbered Two (2) of the Original Townsite of the City of Wahpeton, Richland County, North Dakota, according to the plat thereof recorded in the County Recorder's Office, as Plat #3.

Property Address: 85 3rd Avenue N, Wahpeton, ND 58075

6. The Plaintiff is not seeking a personal judgment against the above-named Defendants.

Dated: December 11, 2024

/s/ Tyler S. Wirick  
 Tyler S. Wirick  
 378 East 400 South, Suite 300  
 Salt Lake City, UT 84111  
 Tel: 801-355-2886  
 Email: tylerw@hwmlawfirm.com  
 Bar Number: 10014  
 HWM: ND21637

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF CULVERTS**

Notice is hereby given the Richland County Board of Commissioners will receive sealed bids for the furnishing of concrete culverts, box culverts, bridge decks, corrugated metal culverts, corrugated metal sheeting for maintenance and construction purposes. Bids shall be received at the office of the Richland County Highway Department, County Courthouse, 418 Second Avenue North, Wahpeton ND, until **8:30 A.M. on March 4, 2025** and then at the community room at the Law Enforcement Center, the County Commission will publicly open and read aloud same.

All bids shall be submitted on the Suppliers own forms. Further information is available by contacting the Richland County Highway Department at 701-642-7810.

All bids shall be submitted in a bidding envelope that is securely sealed. The envelope shall be plainly marked "Culvert Bids" and shall have the name of the person, firm or corporation submitting the bid.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality in the bids received and to accept any bid deemed to be the most favorable to the interests of Richland County.

Done by order of the Board of County Commissioners of Richland County, North Dakota this 4th day of February, 2025.

Sandy Fossum,  
 County Auditor/Administrator  
 Legal No. WDN000984 – Published Saturday, February 8 and Saturday, February 15, 2025

**2024 Financial Statement**

Public Notice  
 City of Christine, ND  
 2024 Financial Statement

The following is a statement of receipts, disbursements, and fund balances of the City of Christine for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, which is published in accordance with Section 40-16-05 NDCC.

General Fund  
 Balance 12/31/2023..... \$61,565.97  
 Receipts ..... \$67,983.95  
 Disbursements ..... \$41,981.07  
 Balance 12/31/24..... \$81,568.85

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Name, Address and Telephone No. of Attorney  
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 39-2025-PR-00004  
 Court File No.  
 Email: jbullis@liesandbullis.com  
 Attorneys for: KeriAnne Mauch Moon, Personal Representative  
 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICHLAND COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA In the Matter of the Estate of Ronald Francis Mauch, aka R.F. Mauch, 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 mailing

of this notice or the claim will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to KeriAnne Mauch Moon, Personal Representative of the estate, at 502 15th Ave., PO Box 135, Two Harbors, Minnesota 55616 or filed with the Court.

Dated this 23rd day of January 2025  
 John Bullis ND License No. 04081 LIES, BULLIS & HATTING, PLLP 610 2nd Ave. N., PO Box 275 Wahpeton, ND 58074-0275  
 Attorney for Personal Representative  
 /s/ KeriAnne Mauch Moon Personal Representative  
 First Publication on the 1st day of February 2025

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**Notice and Order of Hearing**

STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF WILKIN PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ES-TATE OF KATHRYN LAVONNE SAKRY A/K/A KATHRYN L. SAKRY, DECEASED

Court File No. 84-PR-24-57  
 Case Type: Decree of Descent  
 NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR AMENDED DECREE OF DESCENT

1. A Petition for Amended Decree of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decree of Descent issued by this Court on March 19, 2024, conveyed real property which was incorrectly described and requests that an Amended Decree of Descent be issued for the correctly described real property.

2. Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

3. **IT IS ORDERED** and notice is further given that the Petition will be heard on March 11, 2025, at 8:30 o'clock a.m. by this Court at the Wilkin County Courthouse in Breckenridge, Minnesota. Notice shall be given to all interested persons and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minn. Stat. 524.3-204. Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by mailing a copy of this Notice and Order at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.

4. Dated this 3rd day of February, 2025.  
 Judge: s/ Jennifer Fischer  
 Date: Feb 3, 2025  
 SMITH & STREGE LTD.  
 321 Dakota Avenue  
 P.O. Box 38  
 Wahpeton, North Dakota 58074  
 (701) 642-2668 (Phone)  
 (701) 642-4729 (Fax)  
 Minnesota ID #0343304  
 janelfredricksen@smithstrege.com

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

Date January 27th, 2025  
 Project Wilkin County LEC Heat Pump Replacement  
 MMD 2024-054  
 Project No. Advertisement for Bid  
 Subject: February 20th, 2025  
 Bid Day: at 1pm.

Sealed bids will be received at the Wilkin County Courthouse, 300 5th Street South, Commissioners Room 122, Breckenridge, MN 56520 at 1pm February 20th, 2025 at 1pm and then opened and read aloud of the **Wilkin County LEC Heat Pump Replacement Project**. Bids shall be based on cash payment for work performed. All work included in the contract must be substantially completed on or before October 31st, 2025. The project will be completed as equipment becomes available. The project scope is the removal and replacement of water-to-water heat pumps with two new water-to-water heat pumps including piping, pumps, and associated controls. The building will remain occupied during the duration of the project

Bids must be submitted on copies of the bid form in the specifications and must be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a bidder's bond in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned that if the bidder's bid be accepted and the contract be awarded to the bidder, the bidder, within ten (10) days after notice of award,

will execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of the bidder's bid and a contractor's bond as required by law and the regulations and determinations of the Wilkin County Commission. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and payment Bond in the full amount of their contract.

The plans and specifications may be examined or requested at the following locations:

Martin Mechanical Design Inc. 1201 25th Avenue North, Fargo ND 58102  
 Fargo/Moorhead Builders Exchange

Bidders must hold a Minnesota Contractor's License and carry Minnesota's Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by law. The required bid bond envelope shall also contain a copy of the Contractor's License or Certificate of Renewal thereof issued by the Secretary of State as required by law.

The county reserves the right to hold all bids for a period of twenty (30) days after the day fixed for the opening of the bids, and the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities.

No bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to bond and licenses and any deficient bid will be ressealed and returned to the bidder immediately.

MMD Project No. 2024-054  
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**STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF WILKIN EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CIVIL DIVISION**  
 Court File No. 84-CV-25-43

In the Matter of the Rodney O. Nelson Irrevocable Trust created under the Nelson Family Trust dated 30 August, 2001.

**NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT. § 501C.0203, SUBD. 1**

It is hereby ordered and notice is given that Petitioner Terry Nelson has filed a Petition with the Court regarding the above-captioned trust invoking the Court's in rem jurisdiction. The Petitioner requests an order from the Court determining the interests of all persons to certain real property located in Wilkin County, Minnesota, described in the Petition, and approving distribution of said real estate from the above-captioned trust to the trust's beneficiaries free and clear of all other interests, if any.

IT IS ORDERED and notice is given that the petition will be heard on March 25, 2025, at 1:15 PM, before this Court via Zoom at the Wilkin County Courthouse, 300 South 5th Street, Breckenridge, MN 56520. Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or at the hearing. If no objections are timely made to the Petition, the Court may deem the Petition unopposed and grant the relief requested therein.

Dated: January 31, 2025  
**BY THE COURT**  
 Amy J. Doll  
 Judge of District Court  
 Attorney for Petitioner  
 Christopher J. Kamath  
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# Local library worries about cost, state legislators worry about children

**BY CAMERON SUTPHIN**  
 Reporter

Staff at the Leach Public Library are concerned about the effects Senate Bill 2307 will have on its ability to serve the Wahpeton community.

The directive of Senate Bill 2307 is to relocate items deemed sexually explicit, if these items are currently located in an area of a library accessible to children.

Leach Public Library Director Melissa Bakken said, "Testimony of Senate Bill 2307 was given on Monday February 10, both in favor and in opposition to the bill. We stand in opposition of the bill due to the idea that should this bill pass, we may be allowing the state to make a blanket law regarding access to items by any patron."

At the hearing, Senator Keith Boehm, pushed back against the idea that the bill was a book ban, "Some have argued that this legislation constitutes book banning or censorship,

but the reality is far from that. This bill does not ban books, it simply ensures that explicate content is not easily accessible to minors," he said

"In fact the opponents of this bill have intentionally proven our point. At a public hearing, in western North Dakota, committee members attempted to read aloud passages from books available to minors in public libraries, but they were stopped because the material was deemed too obscene for public setting," Senator Boehm said.

Not everyone agreed with Senator Boehm. Andrea Placher, president of North Dakota Library Association, spoke boldly against the bill, "To make some of the changes that could happen would really be detrimental to many of our libraries. Staffing, high school age employees are essential for keeping libraries open during nights and weekends. They typically handle tasks such as shelving books and



**Entrance to the Leach Public Library. The staff is concerned that Senate Bill 2307 will bring higher costs and fewer programs to the library.**

checking materials in and out for patrons. To comply with this bill, because they are minors, most public libraries in our state would be prohibited from hiring anyone 17 and under.

"Programming is the heart of our libraries, they are essential to our services. However, many libraries lack dedicated programming rooms and instead host story times in the main areas of their library. Consequently every space within these libraries could be considered accessible to

minors."

After Placher's testimony, Senator Janne Myrdal responded, "I don't think anybody in this room is anti library. What I don't understand personally, maybe you could explain to me, is the need for this pornographic material in the children's section."

Expert John Miller, an addiction and substance abuse counselor, testified during the hearing, "The question I have is this, for those that are tasked with overseeing the reading material that is put in

front of kids. Can you tell me some of the key indicators of predation? Can you cite for me, what are some of the key red flag indicators of a predator? Can you cite what might be the nine red flag clinical indicators of a child who's being preyed on? If you can't, then you're in no position to go lax on safe guarding. Better to air on the side of safe guarding, rather than have sexually deviant books that will be perfect in terms of a predator getting them in front of kids."

The primary concern Leach Public Library Director Bakken has, is the additional cost this bill may impose on the library.

"Many of the smaller public and school libraries in the state are a one room building, keeping all collections accessible to all. Should this bill pass, the issue of building walls, or cordoning off collections or separating collections for those one room libraries will not be financially or physically feasible. If that would be required, even extra staffing could be needed, adding to the expense," Bakken said.

"The librarians for some reason feel like they can't curate titles that are coming from the American Library Association...The American Library Association has an agenda, and they are sending books that normally would not be found in a children's section and these parents have a right to question it," joint sponsor Representative Vicky Steiner, said.