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IN THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, COUNTY OF RENVILLE  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT, NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ALLIED FIRST BANK, SB DBA SERVBANK,

Plaintiff,  
v.

Jay Anderson and Unknown Spouse of Jay Anderson and Wold Engineering, P.C. and Laurel Gibbons and Devynn Gibbons and Constance Gibbons and Ronald Gibbons 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:  
38-2023-CV-00022

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 Renville, State of North Dakota:

Outlot 2 of the N 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 18, Township 158 North, Range 82 West of the 5th P.M., Renville County, North Dakota.

NOW KNOWN AS FOLLOWS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT CERTAIN QUIT CLAIM DEED RECORDED SEPTEMBER 15, 2021, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 208958, RECORDS OF RENVILLE COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA:

Outlot 7 and that portion of Outlot 6 formerly known as Outlot 2, in the NW1/4 of Section 18, Township 158 North, Range 82 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Renville County, North Dakota.

Property Address: 2760 76th Street NW, Glenburn, ND 58740

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

Dated this 14 th day of August, 2023

/s/ Zachary Nesbit  
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOHALL CITY COUNCIL  
5/12/2025  
THE MOHALL PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM/SOLARIUM  
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Witteman presiding at 7:00 PM. Roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Mayor Tom Witteman, Council Members John Nilsen, Dana McIntyre, Mike Lamb, Mike Duckett and Rick Haman.

ABSENT: Alex Cook  
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Copeland, Chad Hassan and Justin Ahmann.

Moved by Nilsen and seconded by Duckett to approve the minutes of the Equalization meeting and of the Regular Council Meeting on April 8, 2025. All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Moved by Nilsen and seconded by Duckett to add the following Agenda items: 1.) Equipment for alley maintenance 2.) Mowing city property 3.) City Sales, Use and Gross Receipt Tax Contract 4.) NDDOT County Road 9 project. All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Mohall Housing Authority: Frank Kopa attended to provide a progress report on the Mohall Yellowjack Complex and the Meadowlark Complex. Discussed financials and future projects.

NDDOT County Road 9 project: Moved by Haman and seconded by McIntyre to approve Mayor Witteman to sign the Maintenance and Non-encroachment Agreement for Project No. HLC-3800 (021). All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

City Sales, Use & Gross Receipt Tax Contract: Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Lamb to approved the Contract with the ND Tax Commissioner for collection of City Sales, Use and Gross Receipts Taxes. All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Equipment for Alley Repair/Maintenance: City Public Works reported that McLain Enterprise demonstrated a power rake to assist in repairing alleys. Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Nilsen to hire McLain Enterprises for one day to use the power rake to repair alleys that need repaired. By roll call vote: Council Members Haman, Duckett, Nilsen, McIntyre and Lamb voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Mowing overgrown lawns: After discussion of the process, it was decided that Public Works will obtain and confirm the list of overgrown lawns when the letters are sent out.

Mayor Witteman reported on general business of the city: Mayor Witteman briefed the Council on the progression of the Motel rooms and the new dentist area.

Reviewed and discussed the April Sheriff’s report.

Sales Tax Applications: There were two applications submitted this month. The first application was for the Hobby Room Bakery. Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Haman to approve the recommendation of the Sales Tax Committee of a \$2,500 grant and a \$7,500 interest free loan for flooring, plumbing, electrical, paper products, table/chairs and display case. With 60 days to accept or decline the offer and 6 months to use the funds, if accepted and \$208.33 monthly payments until paid in full. Contingent on accepting the loan before the grant is paid out. Invoices and cancelled checks must be provided to receive funds. By roll call vote: Council Members Haman, Duckett, Nilsen, McIntyre and Lamb voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

The second application was for Nilsen Oilfield Supply. Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Duckett to approve the recommendation of the Sales Tax Committee of a \$8,000 grant and a \$12,000 interest free loan for inventory. With 60 days to accept or decline the offer and 6 months to use the funds, if accepted and \$333.33 monthly payments until paid in full. Contingent on accepting the loan before the grant is paid out. Invoices and cancelled checks must be provided to receive funds. By roll call vote: Council Members Haman, Duckett, McIntyre and Lamb voted “aye”. Nilsen abstained. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Property Bid Opening: There are still discussions taking place with Renville County pertaining to the purchase of the old city hall property on Main Street. Mayor Witteman met with the County Commissioners to discuss options. This subject will be on the June agenda to finalize the process.

Site Authorization: Moved by Haman and seconded by McIntyre to approve the Gaming Site Authorization from Veteran’s Club of Kenmare for Double J’s Bar and Grill. All voted “Aye”. None voted “Nay”. Motion carried. Moved by Nilsen and seconded by McIntyre to approve the Gaming Site Authorization from Lansford Jaycees for Cheers II Ya LLC. All voted “Aye”. None voted “Nay”. Motion carried.

Resignation: Bob Marmon submitted his resignation as the Mohall Community Center Maintenance Personnel. Moved by Nilsen and seconded by Duckett to accept Marmon’s resignation as of June 1, 2025. All voted “Aye”. None voted “Nay”. Motion carried. Discussion was held to not fill his position as it was, but to hire someone to clean after each event. City Council members and Public Works will work together for now to manage the rest of the rental duties. There is also a need for janitorial at the fairground’s bathroom. Moved by Nilsen and seconded by Lamb to advertise for janitorial personnel for both the Mohall Community Center (as-needed) and the fairgrounds bathhouse (seasonal) at \$18.00 per hour. All voted “Aye”. None voted “Nay”. Motion carried.

Official Newspaper: Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Nilsen to designate the Renville County Farmer as the official City of Mohall newspaper. All voted “Aye”. Duckett abstained from voting. None voted

“Nay”. Motion carried.  
Health Insurance: Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Nilsen to approve the rate increase for the city employees Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance as of July 1, 2025. All voted “Aye”. None voted “Nay”. Motion carried.

Certificate of Deposit (CD) Renewal: There are two CD’s that will mature at Gate City Bank on May 22, 2025. Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Lamb to renew both CD’s at Gates City Bank for a 3-month term at 4.05% interest. All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Council Member Duckett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 03

RESOLUTION SETTING AUDITOR BOND LIMIT

WHEREAS, the City of Mohall is covered by a blanket bond by the North Dakota State Bond Fund; and

WHEREAS, the North Dakota State Bonding Fund provides fidelity bond coverage for city Employees and public officials in dealing with public funds; and,

WHEREAS, the bond is fixed by the city governing board and set by resolution as outlined in NDCC 40-13-02, and,

WHEREAS, at the May 12th, 2025 regular city council meeting of the Mohall City Council

the current bond limits were reviewed and found to be sufficient.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Mohall, North

Dakota, that the Auditor Bond coverage by the State Bonding Fund in the amount of Nine Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and no/100 (\$997,246.00) has been reviewed and found sufficient.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Council Member

McIntyre. On roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Haman, Duckett, Nilsen, McIntyre and Lamb. The following members voted nay: None. Absent: Cook. The majority voted aye, the motion carried and the Resolution was duly adopted.

Public Works Report: Hassan and Copeland reported that they are working on general maintenance, mowing, drainage at O’Keeffe’s lot, JD tractor is in shop for repairs and discharge lagoon. Durapatcher is here but still waiting on oil and asphalt patch. Discussed taring the streets, Normont doing a demonstration with a sewer camera, flushing sewers on a regular basis and the pet leash Ordinance. They will also look at a deteriorating sidewalk on Main Street by Heisler’s car lot.

Justin Ahmann, Ackerman-Estvold Engineering, report as follows:

• Main Street Mill and Overlay (ND5) project was bid and awarded. Completion date for this project is October, 18, 2025. This project is through the NDDOT and will not be engineered by Ackerman-Estvold.

• Central Ave Sidewalk and Lighting project is a Federal funded project through the Transportation Alternative program. The Federal Government will pay 80.93% of the project. The project has been bid and they will accept the lowest bid pending NDDOT authorization. Ackerman-Estvold is the construction engineer on this project and they will begin a task order once the project has been awarded. Moved by McIntyre and seconded by Lamb to authorize Mayor Witteman to sign the approval of the award pending possible change orders. By roll call vote: Council Members Haman, Duckett, Nilsen,

McIntyre and Lamb voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.  
• Lead Service Line- DEQ provided the Engineer contract to move to Phase II, Part A to get more surveys completed. Ackerman-Estvold is going door to door in Mohall to obtain survey information for the non-completed residents.

Discussed the April Financial Statements for the City, Sales Tax Fund, and Airport. Moved by Duckett and seconded by McIntyre to approve the financial statements as presented. All voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Moved by Haman and seconded by Duckett to pay the approved bills. By roll call vote: Council Members Haman, Duckett, Nilsen, McIntyre and Lamb voted “aye”. None voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Bills List	5/12/2025
Federal Withholding	2746.14
Federal Withholding	2725.18
NDPERS	87.50
NDPERS	87.50
NDPERS	2427.30
ND Tax Commissioner	222.54
US Postal Service	218.40
Payroll	9122.14
Payroll	8403.76
Aflac	407.01
Blue Cross Blue Shield	5520.16
MDU	5350.63
Renville County Auditor	5655.00
SRT	708.15
Verizon	113.17
Visa	8039.42
US Postal Service	215.60
Circle Sanitation	6244.75
City of Minot	90.00
Dakota Fire Extinguishers	807.52
Envision Cooperative	387.25
First District Health Unit	150.00
FitzsimmonsBen/Jessica	1483.33
Heisler Auto	631.95
John Deere Financial	150.44
Matt Johnson Plumbing	1391.72
McGee, Hankla & Backes, PC	63.00
Mohall Jack & Jill	36.65
Mohall Park District	464.18
NDDept of Water Resources	5980.13
Normont Equipment	302.08
North Central Electric	365.68
Northern Diesel & Tire	50.00
Northland Electric	3513.65
O’Keeffe Oil	953.16
One Call Concepts	21.20
Overby, Cheryl	250.00
Propane Services	351.45
Quill	69.99
Renville Co. Farmer	110.04
Riteway Business Forms	237.00
Renville Co. Farmer	20,000.00
Renville Co. Farmer	779.24

The meeting was adjourned by call of Mayor Witteman.  
Cheryl Overby, City Auditor  
Tom Witteman, Mayor

The regular City of Lansford Council Meeting was held on May 6th, 2025 at the City Hall Community Room at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor T. Grothen, Councilmembers, F. Hogan (Conference Call), K. Gates, C. Ledford, and S. Stephan. Also present were R. RemyNSE, J. Gates, B. Kosel, K. RemyNSE, S. Pinkey, S. McQuire and family.

The minutes and financial reports were read and approved K. Gates made a motion to approve the minutes and C. Ledford seconded. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan K. Gates, and C. Ledford. Nayes none noted. Motion carried.

A motion was made by C. Ledford and seconded by S, Stephan to pay the following bills with the addition of paying back R. RemyNSE for the land purchase. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Nayes - None noted. Motion carried.  
Carlton Industries 132.02  
Circle Sanitation 2,790.50  
Dollar General 9.63  
EFTPS 1,325.09  
First District Health 30.00

J. P. Cooke Company	94.47
Janet Krause	751.20
John Deere Financial	452.96
Menards	172.56
ND One Call Concepts	7.50
Niess Impressions	142.17
O’Keeffe Oil	737.42
Office Max	64.31
Ottertail Power Company	2,621.14
QBooks Online	65.00
Randy RemyNSE (E)	2,601.14
Renville County Farmer	210.37
SRT	119.85
Tax1099	4.99
Upper Souris Water Users	3,306.00
Verizon	104.44
Walmart Supercenter Minot	5.78
Envision Mohall	9.68
TOTAL	\$15,758.22

S. Stephan made a motion to accept the Bottineau County Hazard Mitigation plan. K. Gates seconded the motion. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Nayes - None noted. Motion carried.

The Chicken Ordinance was read and discussed. F. Hogan made a motion to accept, C. Ledford seconded. Discussion was then held - J. Gates brought up bringing predators to town, roll count taken. Ayes: None Nays: F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Motion denied.

S. Stephan made a motion to buy 250 water books for \$173.82. F. Hogan seconded. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Nayes - None noted. Motion carried.

J. Gates came to the meeting and stated that the Jay-Cees would pay ¼ of the electric bill for the gymnasium starting July 2025. Discussion was held as to who gave permission for them to be in the gymnasium. Auditor will research. Tabled until the next meeting.

Front door sticking was discussed. Tabled until the next meeting.

Weed & Grass control discussed. Randy would like to spray the city himself. More at the next meeting.

S. Stephan seconded by C. Ledford approved the record disposal for 2024 due 5/31/2025. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Nayes - None noted. Motion carried.

Street sweeping bid was discussed. Want a second bid. Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion held on renting a soil conditioner. Tabled until next meeting  
Duke’s Tavern requested a liquor license extension to the Community Center for June 7th. K. Gates made a motion, seconded by C. Ledford. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates and C. Ledford. Nayes - None noted. Motion carried.

Street dance discussion was held - tabled auditor will find out rules for having a beer garden.

R. RemyNSE would like to quit getting roll offs as the people can’t seem to follow the rules. He had a camera up but nobody recognized the white pickup that dropped off the things that are not allowed. Tabled until next meeting.

K. Gates made a motion to adjourn the meeting with C. Ledford seconding at 8:17 p.m. Ayes were F. Hogan, S. Stephan, K. Gates, and C. Ledford. Nayes none noted. Motion carried.

The next city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 3rd, 2025 in the Lansford City Community Room at 7:00 p.m. Anyone that wants to be

on the City Agenda please call or text the city at 701-263-5534 by the Thursday before the meeting.

Mayor Terrence Grothen  
City Auditor Janet Krause

Dakota Datebook

by Dr. Steve Hoffbeck

Novelties always seem to sell well, a fact as true today as it was in the distant past. One of the odd novelties from about one hundred years ago was a fellow named Jack Williams, who called himself the “Human Fly.”

On this date in 1921, the Grand Forks Herald reported that Williams had successfully climbed to the top of the local First National Bank building. So many people gathered to watch that five police officers were assigned to handle the throng. It was so crowded that some of the spectators climbed the sides of nearby buildings to find a vantage point.

Jack Williams said that the “smooth walls” of the bank building made this climb the “most difficult he ever made.” When he got to the roof, he “straddled the top of the flag pole,” and slapped the golden ball above the flag.

After scaling the bank’s walls, the Human Fly went to the Fotoplay Theater to appear in a vaudeville review, where the delighted audience gave him a “five minute ovation.”

Much hype surrounded the Human Fly’s appearance in Grand Forks. His advance man, C.C. Brown, informed newspapermen that Williams had been climbing buildings for over eleven years. He was said to use the smallest indentations as hand holds, and had such strong hand muscles that he could crush a “raw potato into pulp” with one squeeze. Promoter Brown boasted that Williams was the “ original human fly” and that over 500 men who wanted to be a “human fly” had died trying to match Williams’ accomplishments, which included climbing all 60 stories of New York City’s Woolworth Building – the tallest building in the world at the time.

Doubters had scoffed at this boasting, informing Mr. Brown that previous “human flies” had failed to perform in Grand Forks – one “Fly” saying the weather was too cold and stormy before slinking away. Immediately, promoter Brown told Jack Williams to climb the Herald ’s building, and the Fly scrambled up four stories in less than four minutes, silencing the “Doubting Thomases” and building anticipation for his climb of the bank building.

After Grand Forks, Williams took his death-defying feats west, clambering up tall buildings in Minot and Valley City, keeping North Dakotans buzzing over his stick-to-it-ive-ness and his dazzling disregard for dizzy danger.

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Official Ballot

June 10th, 2025

Mohall Lansford Sherwood

Public School District #1Board of Education Ballot

Election is to select three(3) school board members from the following candidates or a write-in candidate of your choice. All voters are selecting board members for the entire district.Vote for a total of three(3) school board members only.

Lansford Rural: 3 year term(if you wish to write in a candidate, they must be from the Lansford Rural Area.)

Vote for one (1) name only:

- Drake Vendsel
- Jared Abernathey
- \_\_\_\_\_

Sherwood City/Rural Area: 3 year term(if you wish to write in a candidate, they must be from the Sherwood City/Rural Area.)

Vote for one (1) name only:

- Nathaniel Buynak
- \_\_\_\_\_

At-Large: 3 year term(Write in candidate may be from any of the present Mohall, Lansford, or Sherwood areas.)

Vote for one name only:

- Jennifer Vannurden
- Kevin Aho
- Thurstan Johnson
- Lexi R. Kvasnicka-Gates
- \_\_\_\_\_

To Request an Absentee Ballot Please Call the School at 701-756-6660