

Notice to Creditors

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
RANSOM COUNTY, STATE OF
NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of Allen J
Halldorson Deceased.
Probate No. 37-2025-PR-00027

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(N.D.C.C. 30.1-19-01)
Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned has been appointed person-
al representative 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
Leighton Hiller, personal representa-
tive of the estate, at 1833 14th St S,
 Fargo, ND 58103
or filed with the Court.
Dated August 7, 2025

/s/ Leighton Hiller
1833 14th St S
 Fargo, ND, 58103
701-235-3257

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Notice of Bids

NOTICE OF BIDS

The City of Lisbon is accepting bids
for the following:
Removal of the garage located at 402
Rose Street
Salvage of the home at 402 Rose
Street
All written bids must be submitted
to the City Office, 423 Main Street, no
later than Monday, September 23, 2025,
at 4:30 p.m.
Bids will be reviewed and presented
to the City Council at its meeting on Oc-
tober 6, 2025.
For questions, please contact City
Hall at 701-683-4140.

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Notice to Creditors

Probate No. 37-2025-PR-00029
IN DISTRICT COURT OF RAN-
SOM COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH
DAKOTA IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF GERALD ARNOLD
HORNSETH, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the undersigned has been appointed
Personal Representative of the above es-
tate. All persons having claims against
the said deceased are required to pre-
sent their claims within three months
after the date of the first publication or
mailing of this notice or said claims will
be forever barred. Claims must be pre-
sented to Lu gene Knock 508 E 35th St,
Sioux Falls, SD 57105 Personal Repre-
sentative of the estate, or filed with the
Court.
Dated this 14 day of August, 2025.
/s/ Lugene Knock
Lugene Knock
508 E 35th St
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

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Notice to Creditors

Court File No. 37-2025-PR-00030
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
RANSOM COUNTY, STATE OF
NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of Tracy Jo
Lundquist, aka Tracy Lundquist,
aka Tracy J. Lundquist, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the undersigned has been appointed
Personal Representative of the above es-
tate. All persons having claims against
the said deceased are required to pre-
sent 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 Vaughn
C.C. Nelson, Personal Representative
of the estate, at 47512 138th Street, Co-
rona, South Dakota 57227 or filed with
the Court.
Dated this 13th day of August.

/s/ Vaughn C.C. Nelson
Vaughn C.C. Nelson
Personal Representative

John Bullis ND License No. 04081
LIES, BULLIS & HATTING, PLLP
610 2nd Ave. N., PO Box 275
Wahpeton, ND 58074-0275

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ND Game & Fish Announcement

2025 FALL WILD TURKEY HUNTING
PROCLAMATION

The North Dakota Game & Fish De-
partment announces the following sum-
mary of regulations and changes for the
2025 fall wild turkey hunting proclama-
tion.
The season will run from Oct. 11
through Jan. 4. There are 4,310 licenses
available in 21 open units. Bag limit is
one wild turkey of any sex or age.
Deadline to apply is Sept. 3. Only res-
idents are eligible in first lottery. Apply
online at www.gf.nd.gov. Licenses is-
sued by weighted lottery.
A complete 2025 fall wild turkey proclama-
tion is available from the NDGF
Department, 100 North Bismarck Ex-
pressway Bismarck, ND 58501-5095,
Ph: (701) 328-6300, or online at www.gf.nd.gov.

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Notice to Taxpayers

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO FORT
RANSOM SCHOOL DISTRICT
TAXPAYERS

A public hearing to consider the 2025
Fort Ransom School District property
tax levy will be held at the Fort Ran-
som School Office at 135 Mill Road, Fort
Ransom, ND on Monday, September 15,
2025 at 7:00 p.m. Citizens will have an
opportunity to present oral or written
comments regarding the property tax
levy.

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Ransom County Board Meeting

RANSOM COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2025

The meeting was called to order by
Chair Greg Schwab. The Pledge of Al-
legiance was recited. Members present:
Todd Anderson, Neil Olerud, Sye Olson,
Kevin Bishop, and Greg Schwab. Also
present: Auditor Nicole Gentzkow and
Lynn Kaspari from the Ransom County
Gazette.
Agenda was reviewed. Bishop moved,
seconded by Andreson to approve the
agenda with additions. All aye. Motion
carried.
Minutes from the previous regu-
lar scheduled commission meeting on
July 15, 2025 were reviewed. Anderson
moved, seconded by Olson to amend
the minutes on July 15, 2025 and add
motion Anderson moved, seconded by
Olson to purchase largest locker for the
clerk of courts office. All aye. Motion
carried. Bishop moved, seconded by Ol-
son to approve the minutes from July
15, 2025 with changes and added mo-
tion. All aye. Motion carried.
Commission audit listing in the
amount \$293,692.16 was reviewed.
Bishop moved, seconded by Anderson
to approve the commission audit listing
with the exception of the bonuses for
public health. Olerud abstained. An-
derson, Olson, Bishop, and Schwab aye.
Motion carried.

100, 8/06, NDPERS, GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.....	0.28
101, 8/06, NDPERS, GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.....	0.28
102, 8/06, NDPERS, GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.....	16.52
10578, 8/07, EERMAN, ANDREW.....	442.80
10579, 8/07, GILBERT, KIRSTEN.....	50.00
10580, 8/07, ELLY, FALLON M.....	1,663.77
10581, 8/07, RANSOM COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION	150,000.00
14304, 8/07, A W DIESEL SERVICE....	699.47
14305, 8/07, BEAR CREEK GRAVEL ...	36,373.85
14306, 8/07, BRUDSHO- STIPLES, BRENDA.....	750.00
14307, 8/07, CAMAS SAND & GRAVEL.....	663.00
14308, 8/07, DAKOTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	600.00
14309, 8/07, DAKOTA WATER SOLUTIONS	144.00
14310, 8/07, FAT MAN TRASH	220.50
14311, 8/07, FIRST MEDIC AMBULANCE.....	6,816.67
14312, 8/07, GORDY'S GRILL & FILL.....	1,732.02
14313, 8/07, GRIGGS POOR SIDE REPAIR	2,426.60
14314, 8/07, HEFTY SEED COMPANY.....	100.10
14315, 8/07, HENRICKS, TYLER.....	190.00
14316, 8/07, HOENHAUSE, JODY.....	21,498.93
14317, 8/07, INFORMATION SYSTEMS CORPORATION	10,289.00
14318, 8/07, LAMBRECHT, ALLEN	750.00
14319, 8/07, LAMBRECHT, BEN.....	750.00
14320, 8/07, LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	1,344.60
14321, 8/07, LEXISNEXIS MATTHEW BENDER	515.61
14322, 8/07, LISBON TRUE VALUE ...	133.66
14323, 8/07, MAIN STREET FARM AND HOME	42.81
14324, 8/07, NAPA PARTS SUPPLY- LISBON	35.75
14325, 8/07, ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATION	25,328.58
14326, 8/07, PLAINS GRAIN & AGRONOMY LLC.....	9,805.00
14327, 8/07, QUILL CORPORATION...	144.75
14328, 8/07, RANSOM COUNTY GAZETTE.....	1,313.62
14329, 8/07, RDO EQUIPMENT- LISBON	28.68
14330, 8/07, RIVERSIDE BUILDING CENTE	47.83
14331, 8/07, TANYA WIELER	1,500.00
14332, 8/07, TIMBER COULEE AG.....	15,120.00
14333, 8/07, TRUENORTH STEEL	634.00
14334, 8/07, TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC.....	110.25
14335, 8/07, VESTIS.....	225.37
14336, 8/07, WELTON'S TIRE SERVICE.....	1,183.86
Total: 293,692.16	

Manual warrants in the amount of
\$16,053.21 were reviewed. Anderson
moved, seconded by Bishop to approve
the manual warrants with the removal
of tax being paid for Cayla Wiltse's trav-
el. All aye. Motion carried.
Kirsten Gilbert, emergency manager

appeared before the board to get input
on what grants to apply for. Kirsten
Gilbert mentioned applying for a soft-
ware update for the keyless entry door
system, additional lighting in the west
parking lot, updated cameras at the
old county shop, and keyless entry into
the county shop. Gilbert also asked the
board if they would like to apply for
grant funds to try to get keyless entry
on all the interior doors in the social ser-
vice building. Olerud moved, seconded
by Bishop to have Kirsten Gilbert apply
for all grants funds for projects she pre-
sented. All aye. Motion carried. Gilbert
also let the board know she spoke with
Darren Anderson who is the head of
North Dakota state radio and the 911
tower may not be needed for state/coun-
ty use once SIRN takes over. Gilbert
let the board know they should hold off
with replacing the 911 tower until they
find out if it will be needed. Island Park
Township reached out and inquired on if
the county would be managing the new
requirements for NFIP for all the town-
ships. Discussion was had. No decisions
were made.

Al Huckell and Steve Thorfinnson ar-
rived at 10:00a.m.
Rick Mairs from the Ransom County
JDA Board and Amber Metz with Lake
Agassiz Development Group (LADG)
appeared before the board to talk about
putting more mills into the JDA. Addi-
tional funding could allow the JDA to be
a more substantive player in economic
development projects and allow recipi-
ents of funds access to additional state
resources. LDAG contracts with other
counties that contribute more funds to
provide expertise and oversight as it re-
lates to proper documentation and loan
servicing. Staff also works directly with
auditors during County reviews.

All Huckell and Steve Thorfinnson
appeared before the board to discuss the
poor conditions of the signs on the coun-
ty road in Fort Ransom. The reflectiv-
ity is gone and they are concerned it is
a major safety issue. The board will get
in contact with Adam Schultz to replace
the signs. Huckell and Thorfinnson also
addressed a tree that went down on the
walking bridge in Fort Ransom causing
the bridge to be closed due to safety.
Huckell has checked with the Corps of
Engineer and they can't do anything
about the bridge. There is also a wa-
ter erosion issue with the pillars of the
walking bridge. The board asked engi-
neer Scott Smyth to look into funding
options for the walking bridge in Fort
Ransom. Huckell and Thorfinnson let
the board know they were not pleased
the county granted Dry Hallow to close
main street in Fort Ransom for a car
run. The city told Dry Hallow to check
with county on closing the street, so Dry
Hallow came to the commission for
permission to close the street. There were
other businesses on the street who were
affected due to the street being closed.
In the future the city would appreciate
some communication from the commis-
sion.

State's Attorney Fallon Kelly arrived
at 10:30
Scott Smyth presented a detailed
change order for the Anslem road/bridge
project. Smyth also presented the board
with a list of bridges in the county from
the DOT and their rating criteria. The
board advised Smyth and Schultz to
work together to prioritize projects for
the flex funding and emphasized the
Milnor Road.

Josh Differding arrived at 10:50 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Sheldon Shop Bid opening
Josh Differding was the only contrac-
tor to submit a bid for the Sheldon Shop.
Mr. Differding's bid met all require-
ments per the plans and specs includ-
ed. Bishop moved, seconded by Olerud
to accept bid from Mr. Differding for a
36x60 shop at \$199,740.00. Roll call:
Bishop – yes, Olson – yes, Olerud – yes, An-
derson – yes, Schwab – yes. Motion carried.
Adam Schultz will be in contact with Mr. Dif-
ferding to get the project rolling. Discussion
was had about the old shop in Sheldon. Bish-
op moved, seconded by Anderson to have the
county shop boys tear down the original
Sheldon shop ASAP. All aye. Motion
carried.

Scott Smyth let the board know if
townships need assistance applying for
flex funding KLJ would be happy to as-
sist them.

A Conditional use permit to rebuild
Verizon tower that went missing during
the June 2025 tornado was submitted.
Olson moved to approve the permit
based on plans and specs, seconded by
Anderson. All aye. Motion carried.

Daylen Bosch – requested the county
do mastic on the airport runway. Dis-
cussion was had. Olerud made a motion,
seconded by Anderson to have Adam
Schultz highway superintendent give
the airport authority a quote to do mas-
tic on the runway. The board would like

to quote to include actual cost of the ma-
chine, materials, and loaded labor cost.
Roll call: Anderson – no, Olerud – no,
Olson – no, Bishop – no, Schwab – no.
Motion failed. Anderson moved, second-
ed by Bishop to allow Schultz to give a
quote to the airport authority for mastic
on the runway. Roll call: Anderson –
yes, Bishop – yes, Olson – yes, Olerud
– yes, Schwab – yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Ordinance for townships was
discussed again. If townships don't have
zoning ordinances that meet the NFIP
guidelines homeowners will not be able
to get flood insurance due to lack of zon-
ing and resolution. Currently the county
does not monitor the building permits in
townships, and would need addition-
al staff and resources to do that. Fal-
lon Kelly suggested have an ordinance
drawn up and then having a 1st & 2nd
reading of ordinance. No decisions were
made. More discussion will happen at
the township meeting in the fall.

The board discussed the banking pro-
posals from American Bank and Trust,
Stock Growers, Bank North, and Bell
Bank. Olerud moved, seconded by Olson
to go with Bank North. Roll call: Bishop
– no, Olson – no, Olerud – yes, Schwab –
no. Anderson abstained. Motion Failed.
Olson moved, seconded by Bishop to go
with American Bank & Trust. Roll call:
Bishop – no, Olson – yes, Olerud – no,
Anderson – yes, Schwab – no. Motion
failed. Gentzkow suggested moving
some money out of Bell and putting
in American Bank and Trust or Stock
Growers where the interest is compara-
ble. The board gave no feedback.

Brandon Schwab plans to start work-
ing the treasurer's office on August 15
and will work Saturday and Sunday to
get the office up and running. Kathie
Erickson, treasurer has talked to North
Dakota Motor Vehicle who would like to
see the office closed during remodel. Er-
ickson asked the board to close the treas-
urer's / motor vehicle office on August
15, 2025 for remodel.

Greg Schwab let the board know Jo
Stultz has turned an application in to be
on the JDA board.

Brady Weight reached out to Sye Ol-
son regarding gravel being dumped on
his fresh dust control in 2024. Weight
would like to be compensated for the
dust control. Discussion was had, the
board will discuss with Adam Schultz.

Counties Providing Technology sent
an updated contract with a new effec-
tive date. CPT is trying to get all North
Dakota counties on the same renewal
date. Olerud moved to seconded by Bish-
op to have chair Greg Schwab sign the
updated CPT contract. All aye. Motion
carried.

NDDOT submitted a contract. Bishop
moved to approve, seconded by Ander-
son. All aye. Motion carried. Sign local
share.

Cass County Electric submitted a
utility permit. Olerud moved, seconded
by Olson to approve the Cass County
Electric boring permit with the approv-
al of Adam Schultz. All aye. Motion car-
ried.

Federal Aid Contract was reviewed.
Bishop moved, seconded by Olson to ap-
prove the federal aid contract and have
chair Greg Schwab sign. All aye. Motion
carried.

Gilbert presented a quote from Elec-
tro Watchman to install electronic door
locks on the new security doors in each
office. Olson moved, seconded by Ander-
son to approve the quote from Electro
Watchman for the electronic door sys-
tems.

The 2022-2023 audit was sent out to
the commission for review. Olson moved,
seconded by Bishop to approve the 2022-
2023 audit done by North Dakota State
Auditor's. All aye. Motion carried.

Preliminary Budget hearing will be
October 7th, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

Butler Cat would like to send Adam
Schultz and who ever will operate the
new Butler motor grader to Illinois for
training. Butler will pay for flight, hotel,
food, and any misc. expenses. There will
be zero expense to the county. The board
will leave it up to Highway Superinten-
dent on who attends the training.

Sheriff's department budget was dis-
cussed. Olerud moved, seconded by An-
derson to make the sheriff department
law officer deputies salary starting
1/1/2026. All aye. Motion carried.

Gentzkow let the board know the fair
board would like to receive their ap-
proved funds for 2025. Bishop moved,
seconded by Olerud to pay out the fair funds
for 2025. All aye. Motion carried.

With nothing further to come before the
board Anderson moved, seconded by Olson
to adjourn the meeting at 4:45pm. All aye. Mo-
tion carried.

Nicole Gentzkow, Ransom County Auditor
Greg Schwab, Ransom County Commission

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Submit your family reunion photos!

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