

# Legals: Your Right to Know

**RENVILLE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026**  
**FEBRUARY 3, 2026**

Board convened at 9:00 a.m. Present: Chairman Andy Gates, Commissioner Jamee Hansen and Commissioner Rick Haman. Vicky Gates was also in attendance.

Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman to accept the estimates from Fine Line Finish for multiple projects. The first is to paint and install flooring in the small office space; second, paint the kitchen cupboards and third, paint and install flooring in the storage room, all located in the office building next door to the Courthouse. The final estimate is to paint the Treasurer's Office and vault, and paint the Ladies Bathroom. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Gabe Titus, Tax Director, discussed the 2026 agriculture land values. He has reviewed the data and the County is in compliance for ag land values for the 2026 tax year. No increase is needed. Moved by Comm. Haman, second by Comm. Hansen to approve the report on ag values as presented for the coming tax year. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Kristy Titus, DES Coordinator, met with the Board. She discussed her quarterly training calendar. She will be having AED and Stop the Bleed training for the employees soon. She presented the board with the Flood Plain Management Certification form. Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman to approve the certification for 2026. The form is required to be approved and sent to the ND Department of Water Resources annually. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye. Kristy has been working with two land owners over a property line dispute. She did research and presented it to both parties.

Jason Mayfield, Wold Engineering, phoned in to discuss the bridge replacement project near Carpio. The bid for the project is in April and he is planning on a mid-summer start date.

At 10:00 a.m., the time set to open equipment rental bids, Comm. Hansen moved that the bids on hand be opened, second by Comm. Haman. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye. Bids were received from McLain Enterprises, Farden Construction, Hansen's Excavating, Dig It Up Services, Sundre Sand & Gravel and RDO Equipment. All bids were received in a timely manner. Moved by Comm. Haman, second by Comm. Hansen that the bids be accepted. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Sean Mattern, Road Supervisor, met with the Board. The crew are doing equipment maintenance and working on repairs at the various shops. The Glenburn Shop furnace is not working and the Mohall Shop furnaces need to be looked at.

Julie Vetter, HR Consultant, entered the meeting via TEAMS.

Roger Hutchinson, Sheriff, discussed his employee review process. He will get copies of them to Julie. He informed the Board that the HIPPA training and the Defensive Driving training were both approved for POST credits for his department. Julie will present the HIPPA training. Roger gave the Board the 2025CY response stats. They had 2,306 calls for service last year. He updated the Board on needed equipment including body cameras, radios and computer docking stations. The 2021 and 2023 patrol vehicles have been in for repairs. Deputy Matt Aberle is currently in the Academy and will graduate in April. Deputy Burton will be attending the BCI Criminal Investigation School and Deputy Donohue will attend 3 leadership courses.

Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman that the minutes of January 2026 be approved as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Correspondence addressed to the Board's attention was reviewed and discussed. Travel requests and officers reports were approved as presented. January payroll was reviewed and filed.

Auditor LeAnn Pollman presented information concerning pledge of securities from Citizen's State Bank and First Western Bank. Moved by Comm. Haman, second by Comm. Hansen that the pledge of securities report be accepted as presented.

Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Resolution 2026-2 was introduced by Commissioner Hansen, second by Commissioner Haman and adopted by a unanimous vote of aye. Details of the resolution are on file in the Auditor's office.

Payee	Amount
701 Plumbing & Heating	751.00
AT&T	64.66
Attorney General	310.00
Bottineau County Sheriff	4,133.60
Butler Machinery	143.26
Cenex Fleetcard	2,698.83
Circle Sanitation	140.00
Citizen's Insurance Agency	44,808.00
Comp Cam	6,071.00
Dakota Business Solutions	281.99
Dakota Truck & Farm Service	1,315.82
Department of Emergency Services	178.93
Envision	990.92
Fine Line Finish	6,012.56
Gaffaney's	570.11
City of Glenburn	55.60
Heisler Auto	356.47
IAAO	255.00
Information Technology Dept	1,588.70
John Deer Financial	342.44
Lowe's Printing	108.00
MLS School	298.00
Mohall City	184.63
MOCIC	100.00
Montana Dakota Utilities	5,283.03
NDACo	4,637.90
NDACo	19,386.54
NDAWN	500.00
ND State Radio Communications	263.00
NDEMA	50.00
NDSU Extension	6,260.23
North Dakota Safety Council	395.00
Northland Electric	38.32
O'Keeffe Oil	4,686.76
Otter Tail Power Company	676.73
Propane Services	6,812.43
Quadient	844.00
Renville County Farmer	597.55
Shaw Construction	958.23
Sherwood City	175.12
SRT Communications	1,125.90
Stein's	376.31
Turtle Mountain Communications	55.82
Upper Souris Water District	202.20
Upskill HR	1,650.00
VISA	3,061.97
Waste Management	713.72
WEX	70.00
Wold Engineering	2,073.48
WSI	221.84

Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman to appoint Natasha Stevens to the JDA Board and appoint Angela Sundahl to the Human Services Joint Board. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

**FEBRUARY 17, 2026**

Board convened at 10:00 a.m. Present: Chairman Andy Gates, Commissioner Jamee Hansen and Commissioner Rick Haman.

Kent Indvik, Wold Engineering, met with the Board. He discussed the removal of Pleasant Bridge. The project has been approved for funding through the Flexible Transportation Fund - Grants for Bridges program. The County would have to pay the preliminary engineering costs. The grant will pay for the construction engineering and the removal costs. They also discussed the bridge project in White Ash Township. The County will need a Request for Proposals for construction engineering. The project is totally funded through the State.

Sean Mattern, Road Supervisor, gave the Board an update for his department. All the county shop building floors have been sealed. The crew is washing walls at the Tolley Shop. The Sherwood Shop overhead door is not working properly. Sean has contacted Overhead Door in Minot and they will up to look at it. They also cleaned up the Grano Crossing area. Several County roads will need striping this summer.

Sheriff, Roger Hutchinson, met with the Board. He has had his department's radios programmed and they are all on the new SIRN system. Three radios have issues and will probably need to be replaced. Estimated cost is \$7,500.00 per radio. Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman approving the purchase of one radio at this time. Motion carried by

unanimous vote of aye. Roger also stated the MTD computers and docking stations will need to be upgraded. He will get an estimate for the Board. Moved by Comm. Haman, second by Comm. Hansen to have Chad contact Nett's Electric and upgrade the overhead lights in the Courthouse as needed. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Katie Dow met with the Board to discuss her concerns with the current Veteran Service officer, Lynn Price.

Moved by Comm. Hansen, second by Comm. Haman to approve the biennial Clerk of Court agreement with the ND Supreme Court. The agreement covers 2027-2029. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Moved by Comm. Haman, second by Comm. Hansen to approve the Beer & Liquor applications from The Prairie Bistro, LLC for the 2026 calendar year. Motion carried by unanimous vote of aye.

Resolution 2026-3 was introduced by Commissioner Haman, second by Commissioner Hansen and adopted by a unanimous vote of aye. Details of the resolution are on file in the Auditor's office.

Payee	Amount
AT&T	152.88
Clean Tech	23,889.66
Enerbase Cooperative Resources	66.98
Envision	1,203.92
First District Health Unit	15,885.25
Bethany Gates	165.30
Heisler Auto	142.50
Information Tech Dept.	1,578.05
Mohall City	220.89
Montana Dakota Utilities	5,649.41
ND Dept of Environmental Quality	260.00
ND Weed Control Association	285.00
Propane Services	6,275.58
Ramada by Wyndham Bismarck	110.00
Renville County Farmer	352.75
Renville County Treasurer	932.77
Dr. Anthony Tatman	25.00
Gabe Titus	277.00
Trinity Health	145.03
Turtle Mountain Communication	55.82
Verizon Wireless	450.69
Westlie Motor Company	15,211.24

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Expenditures, by fund, approved by the Board for the month of February, 2026: General, \$215,686.96; Road & Bridge, \$62,750.31; Highway Tax, \$48,723.69; Capital Improvements, \$10,653.22; 9-1-1, \$1,232.00; Veteran Service, \$1,112.69; County Agent, \$11,791.74; Pesticide Fund, \$500.00; Weed Control, \$4,281.44; Sheriff Reserve, \$10,065.00.

Details of the bills are on file in the Auditor's office.

**RENVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

SEAL Andy Gates, Board Chairman

Attest: LeAnn M. Pollman, County Auditor

**HELP WANTED**

The Mohall Park District is hiring a Lifeguard Manager for the 2026 summer. You can pick up an application and job description from Cheryl Overby at the City Auditor's office (602 Main Street East, Suite 1). Competitive pay and a fun environment.

**HELP WANTED**

The Mohall Park District is hiring a Pool Maintenance/Certified Pool Operator for the 2026 summer. You can pick up an application and job description from Cheryl Overby at the City Auditor's office (602 Main Street East, Suite 1). Competitive pay and fun environment.

**HELP WANTED**

The Mohall Park District is accepting applications for lifeguards for the 2026 summer.

You can pick up an application from Cheryl Overby at the City Auditor's office located at The Mohall Plaza at 602 Main Street East, Suite 1. Offering competitive pay and a positive work environment.

**Notice For Bids**

**NOTICE FOR SPRAY CHEMICAL BIDS Call for Bids**

Notice is hereby given that the Renville County Weed Board will receive bids until April 1st at 3 p.m. for delivery during Calendar Year 2026 for a minimum of 200 gallons of Tordon 22K (or the generic equivalent) and 25 gallons of 2,4-D for use in the County Leafy Spurge Control Program. The Tordon (or generic) is to be in 1 and 2½ gallon containers. Chemical is to be available in Mohall for distribution on April 21st at 11 a.m. at the Renville County Weed Board Shop.

Bids must be in writing and mailed or delivered to Bethany Gates, secretary of such board at her office, Box 487, in the Courthouse in Mohall, North Dakota, 58761, to arrive before April 1st at 3 p.m. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope marked, "Weed Board Spray Chemical Bid."

Dated this 5th day of March, 2026  
 Bethany Gate, Secretary  
 Renville County Weed Board  
 Courthouse, Mohall, ND 58761  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO RENVILLE COUNTY TAXPAYERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Sections 57-23-02 and 57-12-01 NDCC, as amended, that proceedings for the equalization of assessments will be taken by the local equalization boards, at the office of the clerk or auditor of the township or city, as the case may be, as follows:

**Township Boards—second Monday in April**  
**City Boards—second Tuesday in April**  
**County Board—first Tuesday in June**

Each taxpayer has the right to appear before the appropriate board of review or equalization and petition for correction in his/her assessment.

Contact the township clerk or city auditor for time and location of the equalization meeting.

LeAnn M. Pollman  
 Renville County Auditor  
 23,24c

**Renville County Fire Emergency and Burn Restrictions Declaration**

Submitted By: Kristy Titus,

Renville County Emergency Manager

The Renville County Commissioners have approved the following Fire Emergency and Burn Restrictions Declaration for Renville County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Renville County Commissioners, declares a Fire Emergency and Burn Restrictions (including a ban on the ignition of fireworks, campfires, fire pits, fire rings, recreational fires, burning of garbage, leaves, grass clippings, construction debris, pit burning, fallen trees, and ditches) remain in effect whenever the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is in the High, Very High or Extreme Status and/or a Red Flag warning has been issued for Renville County, North Dakota.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Renville County Commissioners, declares a Fire Emergency and Burn Restrictions (including a ban on the burning of crop residue, and slough burning) remain in effect whenever the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is in the Very High or Extreme Status and/or a Red Flag warning has been issued for Renville County, North Dakota.

Crop residue and slough burning will be allowed when the Fire Danger Rating is "High" and NO Red Flag Warning has been issued, with a tilted fire-break encompassing the perimeter of the burn, be in attendance until the burn is completed, and Bottineau Dispatch has been notified of the burn. Any type of road surface is not considered part of the tilted firebreak perimeter.

This policy will remain in effect until further notice. THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS BURN RESTRICTION IS A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37.17-1-10.1: MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1,500.00 FINE). THE RENVILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CITATIONS TO VIOLATORS.

Red Flag Warnings and Fire Index information can be obtained from the following website: <https://ndresponse.gov/burn-ban-restrictions-fire-danger-maps>. This website will give you access to the Burn Ban/Restrictions Map. Below the example map, under North Dakota Fire Declarations and Burn Restrictions Map, click here to open the map

\*Select I agree to the above terms and conditions, check ok. A state map will be generated.

\*On the top of the page you can access: Today's Burn Restrictions, Fire Danger Ratings, Red Flag Warnings, and Declarations

Under Today's Burn Restrictions

\*On the left side bar, is a burn key. And also, the Burn Restrictions for the day. Daily restrictions are listed in alphabetical order, by county. You can also utilize the search bar to locate the county you are inquiring about. The information listed under Renville County, is generated by the current daily information. The county will be highlighted in red, when the restrictions are in place.

Under Fire Danger Ratings

\*On the left side bar, is a Fire Danger Rating color coded key.

\*A state map will also show you the Fire Danger Rating of each county.

Under Red Flag Warnings

\*A state map will show any Red Flag Warnings issued

Under Declarations

\*On the left side bar, is a Fire Declaration Key. Counties with Burn Restrictions in place, will be highlighted on the map in gray.

Renville County still has the Burn Hotline, for you to utilize, by calling: 701-228-5881.

Please report all controlled burns by calling 701-228-5881 or using the online reporting tool at: BURN/FIRE 911 DISPATCH NOTIFICATION FORM | Bottineau County

If you have any questions, please contact your local fire department or Kristy Titus, the Renville County Emergency Manager at 701-721-1336.

**Notice of Annual Meeting MOHALL AMBULANCE SERVICE**

The Mohall Ambulance Service will hold its annual meeting on Monday, March 23rd, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the Mohall Emergency Services Facility, 104 Central Avenue North. Election of Officers will be held.

MICHELE HELMING, OPERATION MANAGER  
 MOHALL AMBULANCE SERVICE  
 23-24c

**Sign Up For Farm Bureau Week Giveaway**

The Renville County Farm Bureau is celebrating Farm Bureau Week March 8-14.

They will be awarding 2-\$50.00 gift certificates and 1-\$25.00 gift certificate to the Mohall Jack and Jill grocery store.

To enter stop in to the Jack and Jill, fill out your entry and deposit into the container.

**LEAFY SPURGE COST SHARE AVAILABLE**

The Renville County Weed Board will once again be offering a limited amount of funds available to cost share with landowners and operators in Renville County in the control of leafy spurge. In 2026 there will be a cost share program offered for this summer. This will be the traditional cost share program which is a two year program with each year application rates of 1 quart Tordon (or generic equivalent). The landowner's share of the cost share will include 20% of the cost of the Tordon (or generic equivalent), and the application. This must be documented and spraying completed by July 1, 2026.

Anyone who is interested in participating in the cost share program should call or send their name, address, gallons requested, approximate number of acres to be sprayed and Renville County township in which the spurge is located to the Renville County Extension office at 701-756-6392 or e-mail [Bethany.gates@ndsu.edu](mailto:Bethany.gates@ndsu.edu) by April 10th, 3 p.m.

For additional details on the cost share program, contact the Renville County Extension Office or any of the Renville County Weed Board members. They are Greg Hanson, Sherwood; Mike Limke, Carpio; William Alverdes, Glenburn; or Andy Gates, Mohall. Tonya Naumann is the Weed Control Officer.  
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**Notice of Annual Meeting**

Sherman Township will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, March 24th 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran Brethren Church, rural Antler.

Purpose of the meeting will be to elect officers; and to conduct any other business to come before the township board.

CHRISTA SCOTT, CLERK/TREASURER  
 SHERMAN TOWNSHIP  
 23-24c

**Sherwood City Election Filing Deadline is April 6th, 2026**

City Council Expired Terms: 2 Council, and 1 Mayor  
 Park Board Expired Terms: 2  
 City Judge Expired Terms: 1

Forms need to be turned in no later than 4:00pm to the Sherwood City Hall, located at 204 Main Street in Sherwood, on April 6th, 2026. Those filing need to have at least 2 signatures on their petition form. Both forms below need to be completed and submitted to the Sherwood City Hall by the deadline listed above.

<https://www.nd.gov/eforms/Doc/sfn02704.pdf>  
<https://www.nd.gov/eforms/Doc/sfn10172.pdf>

Submitted prior to March 4th Deadline but omitted from March 4th issue.

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 Renville County

**NDFB Week, March 8-14**