PUBLIC NOTICE

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The North Dakota Game and Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2024-25 chronic wasting disease procla-

It's illegal to hunt big game over bait or place bait to attract big game for the purpose of hunting in deer hunting units 1, 3A1, 3A2, 3A3, 3A4, 3B1, 3C, 3D1, 3D2, 3E1, 3E2, 3F1, 3F2, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E and 4F.

Whole carcasses of animals harvested in North Dakota can remain in the deer unit or may now be transported anywhere in the state. However, carcass waste must be disposed of via landfill or waste management provider. This does not apply to heads dropped at CWD collection sites or lymph nodes submitted for CWD surveillance.

Taxidermists and game pro-cessors can also accept intact carcasses of animals harvested within North Dakota but assume responsibility for disposal.

Hunters are prohibited from transporting into North Dakota the whole carcass or parts, except the lower-risk portions, of deer, elk, moose or other members of the cervid family harvested outside of North Dakota.

A complete 2024-25 chronic wasting disease proclamation is available from the NDGF Department, 100 North Bismarck Expressway Bismarck, ND 58501-5095, Ph: (701) 328-6300, or online at www.gf.nd.gov.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NEW ROCKFORD CITY COMMISSION **NEW ROCKFORD. NORTH DAKOTA NEW ROCKFORD CITY HALL AUGUST 5, 2024**

President Richter called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall with Fleming, Dauenhauer, and Belguist present, Also present was City Attorney Peterson and Public Works Superintendent Hirchert.

Fleming made a motion to approve the agenda. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Belquist made a motion to approve the July 1, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Richter seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Belquist made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Fleming made a motion to approve the July bills. Belquist seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Richter, Belquist, Fleming, and Dauenhauer, voted "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried. 300.07

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Dean Vorland was present to discuss the gravels street by his property. Vorland stated the job was not done properly. Commissioners decided to have Interstate Engineering look at the street when they are in town.

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Public Works Superintendent report was reviewed via email. Restricted access sign was put up at Airport, to prevent harm to people who use airport to walk. Crosswalk sign and pole were installed by Yri Electric. A Pitbull was placed in the pound after it attacked a city resident. CenDak sprayed the lagoon for weeds and working on the ramp area at the reservoir.

Fleming made a motion to accept the report. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

City Auditor Presnell report was reviewed via email. Quarterly reports were completed, as well as the DMR Discharge Report for the lagoon. Presnell met with Lisa Thompson regarding Floodplain Management. 2023 Consumer Confidence Report was completed and submitted to the state. Public Notice letters were sent out to all water users regarding report that was not sent to the state in time.

Richter made a motion to accept the report. Belquist seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Eddy County Emergency Manager Lisa Thompson was present to discuss Flood Plain Management. Thompson told Commissioners there will be a Microsoft Teams meeting from the State to present information for National Flood Plain Insurance. Thompson also presented that Eddy County has a generator that they are looking to give to the city. Commissioners agreed to take the generator. Thompson presented a Memorandum of Understanding for Emergency Management between the City and Eddy Coun-

Fleming made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Emergency Management. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS:

The City Pay Plan was discussed and reviewed. Belquist made a motion to approve the City Pay Plan. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Richter, Belquist, Fleming, and Dauenhauer voted "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

Nuisance Vehicles and Yards were discussed. Letters have sent out, Commission agreed to hold a lottery for the vehicles that haven't been taken care of due to limited space in the impound lot.

Richter presented an estimate from Cash and Carry Lumber for the remodel for the outside of city hall. Dauenhauer made a motion to go to bids for the labor. Richter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Belquist made a motion to approve a local gaming permit for Rooster Boosters. Fleming sec-onded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Belquist made a motion to approve a building permit for NR-S School x2, Trevor Lesmeister, Casey's General Store, Wiona Rosin, James & Rebecca Anderson. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion

Richter made a motion to approve the gaming site authorizations for Wonder Lanes. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the request for a street closure for NRABC and the New Rockford Eagles Club. Fleming seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Amanda Hegland from the NRABC office was present to propose additional space and time for Mindy's Clubhouse. Mindy's Clubhouse is proposing to use the stage to add more capacity for children. Fleming made a motion to approve a 3-month contract for \$900 a month to utilize the stage for the daycare. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Hegland also reported that Mindy's Clubhouse proposed to use the whole Brown Memorial for the daycare, which NRABC advised the Clubhouse that it is not an option at this time.

The Commission reviewed a letter from the Lake Region District Health Unit (LRDHU) regarding 806 1st Ave N. The LRDHU has declared it a public health nuisance and advised it is unfit for human habitation until corrective measures have been taken. Dean Vorland was present as the building is connected to his office. Vorland advised that the two buildings do not share a common wall. Attorney Peterson advised of the legal steps to be taken to deem this property a blighted structure. Richter made a motion to proceed with the demolition process. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. Attorney Peterson advised that a blighted structure can be reminded to fix the listed problems. Richter rescinded his motion, as did Dauenhauer, Richter made a motion to proceed with the substandard building procedures as outlined in the City Ordinances as a result of the letter provided by the LRDHU.

Dauenhauer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A discussion was held on the current animals in the city pound. Richter proposed banning pit bulls in City Limits. Attorney Peterson advised against the banning of breed specific dogs due to recent pending lawsuit against the City of Williston due to the banning of pit bulls. Peterson advised the current City Ordinance does identify dangerous animals. Peterson told the Commission that the dog 1 in the pound has a hearing on August 15th. The process on the impounding of dogs were discussed and the responsibilities of the city. Richter recommended giving the owner of dog 2 24 hours to answer a call from the city to discuss the dog or else the city will pursue euthanizing dog 2. The city will have the sheriff's office serve the document regarding the 24 notice to the owner of dog 2. Belquist made a motion having Richter sign the 24-notice letter stating the steps to redeem the dogs and the fees. Dauenhauer seconded the motion. Discussion was held on the steps to redeem the dog. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The 2025 Preliminary Budget was reviewed. Belquist made a motion to approve the 2025 Preliminary Budget. Fleming seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Richter, Belquist, Fleming, and Dauenhauer voted "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

The 2025 Police Contract was presented and reviewed. Fleming made a motion to approve the 2025 Police Contract, Richter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The commission reviewed the citizen complaints. 5 complaints in total were reviewed. 1 complaint was reviewed and no action was taken due to the fact it was personal attacks towards members of the commission and not enough facts behind the claims. The 4 other complaints were reviewed and discussed regarding nuisance dogs.

Fleming made a motion to approve the pledge of security for the city. Richter seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Richter, Belquist, Fleming, and Dauenhauer voted "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

Belquist made a motion to approve the second reading of City Ordinance 01-04-01. Fleming seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Richter, Belquist, Fleming, and Dauenhauer voted "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

Belquist made a motion to renew CD 105841 into a 4.95%. 6-month CD at the Community Credit Union. Fleming seconded the motion. All were in favor. Mo-Richter made a motion to rent

out the NRABC Intern Office (Office # 3) to PRC Wind for \$500 a month. Fleming seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion With no further business, the

meeting was adjourned at 11:21 next regular meeting

be September 3, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall. **MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO

APPROVAL AT NEXT SCHED-ULED CITY COMMISSION MEETING** Stuart Richter, President

Andrew Presnell, Auditor

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AIRPORT-

The airport project is estimated to cost about \$2.2 million. City officials accepted a bid of \$1,875,875.87 from Border States Paving at their June 3 meeting, which includes "full-depth reclamation" of the runway and taxiway; reshaping and grading the runway safety area; apron reconstruction and taxiway extensions; and improvements to the access road from Hwy. 281. They also signed an engineering agreement with Interstate Engineering for construction services related to the project.

North Dakota Aeronautics Commission awarded the city just over \$1.6 million in May, and the rest of the project's cost will be paid back over 10

Commission chair James Allmaras noted that he still plans to quantify usage of the county's only airport so residents can better understand the importance of keeping the airport open.

"It gets used more than you think," Allmaras said.

Since the airport is cityowned, the county's resolution also requires that a joint operations agreement be put in place to further detail the limits of the county's responsibility. That agreement will be drafted and reviewed at a

Also at Monday's meetviewed the Eddy County That agency's \$53,000 request was 33 percent less than last year, when they requested \$79,000.

After review, commissioners made an adjustment to the weed board allocation, to reflect the additional funds they expect to receive from the state for spraying ditches. This "income" offsets the amount they need in local taxes to do their work, commissioners explained.

The preliminary budget approved by commissioners represents an approximate 8 mill increase over last year, Auditor Becki Schumacher calculated. The increase is largely due to approved requests from the weed board, water board and airport, all entities for which the county levied no funds the past few years. Other small mill levy increases have been penciled in for the ambulance service and the Lake Region District Health unit.

The preliminary budget worksheet showing the maximum amount commissioners propose to levy for each agency or department and fund is online at www.newrockfordtranscript.com.

The county will hold a public hearing regarding the budget on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 9 a.m. and citizens are encouraged to reach out to commissioners with any questions about the budget.

BUDGET-

board meeting that morning, commissioners re- ing, suddenly putting the district's anticipated ex-Soil Conservation District's penses more than \$65,000 over and above their estimated revenue for the coming school year.

get woes, the news came days after NR-S submitted their preliminary budget deadline for submitting preliminary budgets having passed, the district is no longer allowed to increase taxes and adjust their revenue to account for the added expense.

Therefore the district will have to find some other way to balance the budget before the final version is due on October 10, or else they will likely deficit spend during the 2024-25 year.

Meanwhile, the increase itself of \$70,000 from East Central was questioned by school district officials and board members at Monday's meeting.

Superintendent NR-S Natalie Becker said the increase stems from the district's speech pathology needs, but she, along with Skogen, suggested the total increase still doesn't add up with their figures.

"The numbers aren't matching," said Becker at Monday's meeting. Becker told the board

she'll be asking more questions of East Central in the coming days in hopes of understanding how costs have ballooned to this extent.

Two years ago – for the 2022-23 school year - the district budgeted just under \$500,000 for East Central's services. That price has now swelled to more than \$600,000, and the NR-S board wants to know why.

In recent years, the relationship between East Central and NR-S has been rocky to say the least. Although NR-S has twice

Adding to the bud- discussed leaving the East Central Special Education Unit in the past several years, that possibility was to Eddy County. With the not brought forth at this

NR-S officials did, however, remind themselves of the potential cost savings they calculated back in 2021, when the district last considered alternatives for special education.

Skogen told the Transcript on Thursday that communications between NR-S and East Central since Monday's meeting have been open and amicable as they work to understand the reason for increased costs.

Meanwhile, Skogen also pointed out a few concerns that may need to be addressed in the not-so-distant future. Namely, that the school is employing a number of long-term substitutes this year, which don't qualify for the same benefits fully-licensed teachers receive.

Board members were told that if NR-S was completely staffed with full-time and fully-licensed teachers, the district would be facing more than \$100,000 in additional expenses.

In other business, the school board approved a minor change to the dress code, which will allow fifth graders to wear hats in school. Prior to the change only students in grades 6-12 were allowed to wear hats.

The next regular meeting of the New Rockford-Sheyenne School Board will be on Monday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. Prior to that regular meeting, a tax hearing will begin at 6:30 p.m.

2024 CROP TALK

WELLS COUNTY BETTER SEED & GRAIN

Tuesday, August 27th

5:00 PM @ SCD Outdoor Learning Center 103 2nd Ave N, Fessenden

SPEAKERS AND SUPPER SERVED

Join Us to Hear the Latest Updates! 5:00 PM - Supper and Socialization (4-H Explorers Group)

5:30 PM - NRCS and FSA Updates 5:45 PM - Speakers to Follow:

NDSU Greg Endres, CREC Agronomist

Dr. Anitha Chirumamilla, LREC Cropping Systems Specialist Naeem Kalwar, LREC Soil Health Specialist

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Business Opportunity

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY



Seeking operator for established septic pumping business located in New Rockford.

For more information, contact Kim at (701) 351-7645.

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department announces the following summary of regulations and changes for the 2024-2025 Small Game, Furbearer and Waterfowl Seasons. Daily Limit Poss. Limit Opens Closes Species Crows (Fall) There is no Aug. 17 Nov. 04 limit on crows Crows (Spring) Mar. 08 Apr. 20 Early Canada Geese (Missouri River Zone) Aug. 15 Sept. 07 15 45 Aug. 15 ■ Early Canada Geese (Western Zone) Sept. 15 Early Canada Geese (Eastern Zone) Aug. 15 Sept. 20 Sept. 01 15 45 Nov. 29 Doves Hungarian Partridge 12 Sept. 14 Jan. 05 Sharp-tailed Grouse Sept. 14 Jan. 05 Ruffed Grouse Sept. 14 Jan. 05 12 Tree Squirrels Sept. 14 Feb. 28 Sage Grouse closed Snipe Sept. 14 Dec. 01 24 8 Woodcock Sept. 21 Nov. 04 9 Sandhill Cranes (Unit 1) Sept. 14 Nov. 10 9 Sandhill Cranes (Unit 2) Sept. 14 Nov. 10 Tundra Swan Sept. 28 Dec. 27 Season limit one swan 2,200 licenses issued by lottery (deadline - Aug. 21) ■ Pinnated Grouse (prairie chicken) Season closed Male Pheasant (youth season) Oct. 05 Oct. 06 12 Male Pheasant (regular season) Oct. 12 Jan. 05

Mountain Lion (Zone 1 Early) (hunting) Aug. 30 Nov. 24 Mountain Lion (Zone 1 Late) (hunting) Nov. 25 Mar. 31 Mountain Lion (Zone 2) (hunting) Mar. 31 Aug. 30 Fisher (trapping or cable devices) Nov. 25 Dec. 01 River Otter (trapping or cable devices) Nov. 25 Mar. 15 Beaver and Raccoon (hunting, trapping or underwater cable devices) Beaver and Raccoon May 10 Nov. 25 (cable devices on land)

(type and placement restricted from Mar. 16 – May 10) Weasel (trapping) Oct. 26 Mar. 15 Muskrat and Mink (trapping) Oct. 26 May 10 Mar. 15 Weasel (cable devices) Nov. 25 Muskrat and Mink (cable devices) Nov. 25 May 10 Weasel (hunting) Nov. 25 Mar. 15 Muskrat and Mink (hunting) Nov. 25 May 10 Muskrat and Mink (restricted trap) ing Mar. 16 May 10 and cable devices season) Muskrat and Mink (protective May 10 covering over float sets)

Red Fox, Gray Fox, Coyote, and Badger (day hunting or trapping) Year-round Red Fox, Gray Fox, Coyote, Nov. 25 and Badger (cable devices) Mar. 15 Red Fox, Gray Fox, and Coyote Nov. 25 Mar. 15 (night hunting) Bobcat (Zone 1) (hunting or trapping) Nov. 09 Mar. 15 ■ Bobcat (Zone 1) (cable devices and dogs) Nov. 25 Mar. 15 Bobcat (Zone 2) Nov. 25 Mar. 15 (hunting, trapping, cable devices, dogs)

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Special Veteran and Active Military * Limits same except no bonus BWT may be taken Personnel Waterfowl Season Sept. 14 Sept. 15 * Limits same except Sept. 15 ■ Special Youth Waterfowl Season Sept. 14

Ducks including Low Plains Unit - Sept. 21 thru Dec. 01 see restrictions Mergansers 45 15 Coots White-Fronted Geese Canada Geese (Missouri River Zone) Sept. 21 15 Dec. 27 Sept. 21 Canada Geese (Western Zone) Dec. 21 8 24 8 24 Canada Geese (Eastern Zone) Sept. 21 Dec. 16 Light Geese Sept. 21 Dec. 27 50 No Limit

DUCKS AND MERGANSERS: SPECIES/SEX RESTRICTIONS

The daily bag limit of 6 ducks including mergansers may include no more than 5 mallards of which only 2 may be female mallards, 1 scaup, 3 wood ducks, 1 pintail, 2 redheads, 2 canvasbacks. * In addition to the daily bag limit of ducks listed above, an additional ■ 2 blue-winged teal may be taken from Sept. 21 - Oct. 06. The possession limit for

duck including mergansers shall be three times the daily bag limit. SUMMARY OF CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR

Beginning Sept. 1 a federal duck stamp for hunters 16 and older is needed. The federal e-stamp is valid through the entire waterfowl hunting season.

Nonresidents are not allowed to hunt on Department wildlife management areas or on PLOTS areas from Oct. 12-18. Exception: nonresidents hunting on PLOTS land that

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