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**THIS WEEK**  
By Neil O. Nelson

## Coronavirus taking its toll

Harvey's annual Beach Blast is the latest event to fall victim to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Organizers pulled the plug this week on the popular summer celebration on the Sheyenne River in Harvey. The summer beach blast was revitalized last summer by Shelley Svoboda and friends.

The July 4 event included a dance, food vendors, water events galore and beach volleyball.

Coordinators plan to have the annual July 4 parade in town, while the Splash Dash has been postponed with hopes of rescheduling it later in the summer.

Events statewide are being cancelled right and left, including the Hostfest and North Dakota State Fair, both in Minot, the Fargo Marathon, the Governor's Walleye Cup fishing derby in Garrison, the Miss North Dakota pageant and Miss North Dakota Outstanding Teen competition in Bismarck and Bismarck's 2020 McQuade charity softball tournament, to name a few.

Graduation ceremonies on Sunday in Harvey and Fessenden will have modified programs with reduced attendance, as well.

All spring sports were cancelled, and most summer baseball and softball games have been idled, as well.

## Pool closed, pool open

City leaders even thought it best to not open Harvey's swimming pool this summer. The Fessenden pool, on the other hand, will be opening this summer.

The game of golf on the other hand is teeing off across the state, Harvey and Fessenden, included. Searches for lost balls in the rough and water on the Harvey course are even encouraged — it's that quiet and nice on the course, according to Paul Miller, Harvey's elite senior golfer, who's found and lost his share of Titleist golf balls over the years. If found, they're white, dimpled and may show the hack marks of a right-handed golfer who occasionally pulls his shots off the tee.

They would be Paul.

The golf balls could be his.

## Take a bow

HP knows it was Mavis Edinger and Mark Friedt who came up with the idea of Cruisin' Main night in Harvey. The idea took off faster than dueling Ford Mustangs. Cities that followed suit were Fessenden, Anamoose, Rugby, New Rockford, Carrington and Grafton, to name a few. There were a bunch, that we know.

Vehicles of every make and color and people of every age participated in the events across the region. It was bumper to bumper traffic in every town.

For a moment there, it was 50 years ago revisited. And it was good.

Take a bow, Mavis and Mark. You did good.

This was your baby from the start and HP is betting the Cruisin' Main event will become an annual summer celebration, not only in Harvey but in the other towns, as well.



Mike Waldoch has had his eye on Highway 91, certain its length could be a state, if not national record.

# Hwy. 91 shortest in state

By Neil O. Nelson  
Highway to nowhere.

*But it's Harvey's highway.*

Having said that, we all know that Rugby is the geographical center of North America.

It's also common knowledge that Jamestown has the world's largest buffalo; New Salem, the world's largest Holstein cow.

Medora anchors the South Unit of the Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and Watford can see the north unit on a clear day. Dunseith claims the International Peace Garden, Valley City points to its Hi-Line Railroad Bridge, New Town eyes the Crows Fly High Butte and from Regent the Enchanted Highway begins.

Meantime, North Dakota, which incorporates all the state's tourist attractions in its travel brochures, has a few distinctions of its own: It grows more sunflowers than any other state. It has more registered vehicles than it has residents and is the only state in the nation to never have had an earthquake. Plus, it's illegal to lie down and fall asleep with your shoes on.

How about this: the parking meter was invented in North

Dakota. Also, there are more golfers per capita in North Dakota than any other state.

FWI: North Dakota is the most rural of all the states, with farmland covering more than 90 percent of the landscape.

Bragging rights, most certainly.

Deservedly so, in fact.

Every person's bucket list should include visits to Rugby and Regent, New Town and New Salem, Medora, Valley City and Bismarck, for being the state's Capital City, plus Fargo, because it's the state's largest city.

Add Harvey to the list of destinations.

## Claim to fame

In claiming its rightful place on Highway 52, where the water is wide on the Sheyenne River, Harvey is an emerging mecca center for agri-businesses and a recognized regional medical

## Straight line, no-nonsense stretch of pavement holds bold distinction

center, plus it's a bike's ride from the Lonetree Wildlife Management Area.

Drum roll, please, thank you. Harvey is also home to the shortest highway in the state of North Dakota: Highway 91, a paved roadway .284 miles (457.05 meters) long, connects Highway 3 and 7th Street in Harvey with Highway 52 west to Martin, Anamoose, Drake, Velsa and Minot.

Conversely, the longest highway in the state runs south of Harvey in Wells County — Highway 200, a major east-west state roadway, runs from Minnesota State Highway 200 at the Minnesota border near Halstad, Minnesota to Montana Highway 200 near Fairview, Montana, a distance measuring 416 miles (669 km).

Ebenezer Place in Wick, Caithness, Scotland, holds the Guinness Book of World Records for having the world's

shortest road, measuring just 6 feet 9 inches (2.05 meters). The street has only one address: a door to No. 1 Bistro, a restaurant in Mackays Hotel, which was built in 1884.

Highway 91, a proud east-west roadway in its own right, runs by the Canadian Pacific Railroad to the north and the swimming pool park on its south side. The far west end of Highway 91 angles to the southwest where it connects with Highway 52 in the northwest corner of the city.

Other than the bend at the end, it's a straight, no-nonsense stretch of pavement.

## Minor slight

Highway 91 is a well-maintained highway, smooth, well-marked with signage designating its place in Harvey

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## 2020 vote by mail-in ballot only

By Neil O. Nelson

Incumbent Wells County Commissioner Mary Hager is facing challenges from two individuals in the race to represent District 5 on the board of county commissioners.

Neil Thormodsgaard, Jr. and Bryan Lutt are challenging Hager in the June 9 ballot-by-mail primary election.

The statewide June 9 primary will be ballot-by-mail only. There will be no polling sites available in Wells County or the state on Election Day.

Applications for a mail-in ballot are available until May 28. Ballot applications are available at the Wells County Auditor's Office in the Wells County Courthouse at Fessenden. Hand-delivered applications can be brought to the courthouse, faxed or emailed before or after May 28.

All completed ballots must be postmarked by June 8 or can be delivered to the courthouse by 4 p.m. June 9.

Wells County Auditor Julie Krosbakken had mailed 1,612 ballot applications by Tuesday. More than 600 completed ballots have been returned to the auditor's office.

"So, we still have a thousand out there," said deputy auditor Renna Heintz.

Krosbakken is confident her office will receive well over a thousand ballots before Election Day.

According to Heintz, ballot applications are still arriving at the Fessenden courthouse office.

There are 2,526 active voters in Wells County, Krosbakken said.

Resident voters can check on the Secretary of State website to determine if their ballot has been received and counted.

By and large, the voter response to the mail-in ballot in Wells County has been favorable, according to Krosbakken.

"There are still some people upset, they feel it's their right

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# Park districts face tough decisions

By Carrie Opdahl

Several residents, and especially most kids, are saying "hooray" after learning the Fessenden Parks and Rec Board will open the pool and offer summer recreation programs to families this summer.

"We are opening the pool in early June and the playground has always been open," said Fessenden Park and Rec President Jill Stevens.

The board expects people to follow the guidelines set in place by the Wells County District Health Department and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as are clearly marked on signs throughout the park and pool areas.

Using the park is by user's discretion, as park equipment, such as the playground, will not be sanitized. "In order to provide the safest environment we possibly can, we are adding

## Fessenden pool and summer rec activities to begin in June

hand-sanitizing stations around the park and pool," said Stevens.

The board will begin pool clean up on May 26, with an anticipated opening in early June. "The pool needs to be patched and painted, which will take a bit longer to get the pool up and running," Stevens said.

CDC guidelines will be used as a reference for sanitizing the



Fessenden's playground equipment has been waiting for its summer visitors.

pool, equipment, and locker rooms.

At this time, members are not sure how the schedule will look. "We may have to have kids come in 'shifts,'" said Stevens. But, she said, this will depend on the day and how many people want to swim. Hours will be the same as last summer; however, they may increase depending on demand.

In addition, another lifeguard will be on duty to help with extra cleaning, and to make sure the pool patrons are following the guidelines.

Swimming lessons will not be offered this year. "This was a difficult decision for the board to make, but ultimately the guards are not allowed to touch children other than in a rescue situation,

and consequently lessons are hands-on," Stevens said.

The kiddie pool will also be closed, as it is too shallow for the chemicals to remain beneficial due to evaporation, explained Stevens.

Lif jackets, floating devices, noodles or play toys will not be provided by the pool office but

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# NEIL O. NELSON



## Letter to the Editor



No place for old men.

Over the years I've been involved in law enforcement in some way shape or form.

Much of the contact is through my work with newspapers.

That's not to say I haven't been warned, ticketed and charged along the way.

Judges, I've known. Along with prosecutors, defenders and clerks of court, even the custodians of the courthouses.

But it's the lawmen who have provided me with the more colorful stories, starting with Cop Strand, a small town police chief who everyone liked and respected, who knew whom to ticket, who to watch, who to trust, and who to throw in the slammer.

Cop Strand's police station was next door to my newspaper office and home to my cat, a legend in his own right, who was nothing but a mangy, rangy black alley cat that staggered in the office long enough to eat and catch up on his sleep.

Cop Strand was alerted at home one night of a fugitive who was on the loose in our corner of the county; he rushed downtown and pulled up

in front of our two offices. Exiting his cruiser in such a rush, he failed to close the driver's side door.

Enter the mangiest, rangiest alley cat around. The cat was in the backseat when the chief came bustling out of his office; he literally jumped into his police cruiser; no small task for a man of his girth.

He immediately detected a foul-smelling presence, a stench that neutralized his Old Spice after shave, the first time that had ever happened, according to his police report. Anyway, he sensed movement in his backseat at the same time but before he could turn around and neutralize whoever was back there — he suspected the outlaw who was on the lamb because he was told this particular wayward criminal was capable of anything, absconding a vehicle that was left running, like Cop Strand had regrettably left his, being one of them — my cat jumped to the back of Cop Strand's front seat and put his two big front paws on the chief's right shoulder, like a person of interest in the back seat would do to alert a policeman he had company and not to do anything reckless or

rash. Or stupid. Don't do something foolhardy, in other words, Cop Strand told himself.

Cop Strand instead threw open his door, reached for his 38 Smith and Weston revolver and jumped from the police car.

Of course, it wasn't quite that smooth. He hit and bruised his hip on the steering wheel something awful, rammed his head against the door frame and caught his gun belt on the car's inside door handle before he fell to the cold and hard pavement, where he, expertly, went into a roll, ending up halfway across the street before he came to a stop. When he regained a sense of self-command, a time span of no more than three seconds — again, according to the police report — he had his pistol aimed at the intruder in the back seat of the police cruiser.

Lazily yawning, his one good eye starring down the chief, Kitty blinked, twice.

Cop Strand blinked once and cocked his 38 Smith and Weston. He was that mad, mad enough to shoot that damned cat.

He would be doing the town a favor.

Good thing for me and my cat that Kenny Blykken was racing down the street in his bulk fuel oil truck at the same time Cop Strand drew down on 'ol Kitty. Kenny screeched to a stop, inches from the chief, but with a full load on his truck and sloshing around like it was, it's a miracle he came to a stop and avoided an oil spill on Main while interrupting what looked like a jail break to Kenny.

"I'm too old for this kinda stuff," Kenny confessed to his wife that night at the supper table. "Cops, cats and guns drawn and me driving a full load of fuel oil right into the middle of it all."

Cop Strand confessed to me: "I think I'm too old for this crap. I know I'm too old, I damn near shot your cat and got run over in the blink of an eye."

Considering how my 11-year-old cat had already exhausted seven of his lives, he was older than both Cop Strand and Kenny B.

Our town on that Thursday evening, I'm telling you, was no place for old men or cats.

Herald-Press Editorial

## Parting words for the 2020 graduates

Seniors from Harvey and Fessenden-Bowdon High Schools last week told of their feelings toward the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic that has denied them much of what was supposed to be the best of times in their last two months of high school.

To be sure, graduation will still be held, this Sunday, in fact, but it won't be what the soon-to-be-graduates had planned.

Instead of auditoriums filled with friends and family, tables and chairs will be spaced accordingly to accommodate families only. The seniors can wink, wave and smile at each other; congratulatory baskets in the back of the gyms will be designated and not to be confused with the receiving line.

The students have accepted this, the parents, we suspect, not so much.

And so it is in the year of the coronavirus pandemic and COVID-19 crisis, when just about everything under the sun has been altered to some degree in an effort to protect and preserve everyone's health and well-being — graduations, included.

Which is good and well, everyone agrees. And this too shall pass, as all our grandmothers have cautioned us at some point in time.

Certainly, we understand this isn't what the graduates envisioned for their last two months of high school, especially after the relatively good year they were reportedly having.

Trust us, you will have time to catch up with your friends, we would like to tell the

Class of 2020.

To each graduate, we would like to add: Take time to rethink everything that has happened in the last two months. Don't be too critical of the decision-makers who, in your opinion, might have dropped the ball. Consider what they were up against: something they had never faced before.

We'll give you this much: Six months into the coronavirus pandemic and it's apparent the adults in charge still don't have all the answers.

Soon, we can hope, all our questions will be answered.

In the meantime, you need to prepare for the world you will be entering and — in time — the world you will be in charge of. Listen and learn, build character and community.

For, fear not, there will be calamities such as COVID-19.

We trust you will learn to welcome each challenge; we suggest you be part of the solution, not the problem.

And, please, we ask of you, help save the environment in the process. For we have largely failed in that respect.

To be clear, our generation has done its best to make the world better. Where we have failed or fallen short, we ask that you do better.

That is to say, the ball will soon be in your court.

Good luck with that.

And congratulations on reaching this milestone in your life; you've made your respective communities proud.

## Ole & Otto



*"What do you think about our Highway 91 being the shortest in the state?"*

*"Well, Ole, when I go out and test-run Anna's car, that's the road I take."*

**According to Mike:**

**"Harvey has bragging rights to the shortest highway in North Dakota."**

— Mike Waldoch  
Harvey resident



"Dakota Datebook" is a radio series from Prairie Public in partnership with the State Historical Society of North Dakota and with funding from the North Dakota Humanities Council.

### Love Triangle

May 25, 2020 — Two former fiancés were sentenced with court fines on this day in 1911 for their participation in a bizarre Minneapolis love triangle. The incident occurred on a main street of Minneapolis two days before the court hearing. A third party was also implicated, but the man had fled from the scene. One of the defendants, Ms. Rose Hale of Minot, North Dakota, was held responsible for causing the series of events that led to the charge of disorderly conduct.

The chain of events began six months prior to the incident when Ms. Hale began seeing Martin Paulson. She dated the man for a few months before accepting his proposal of marriage. In the meantime, Ms. Hale had also started seeing Albert Marco. In the following months, the woman decided that she preferred Marco to her current fiancé, and decided that an engagement to the second beau would be more to her liking. After the hoped-for proposal from Marco, Ms. Hale resolved to inform her current fiancé of her change in plans.

She chose to tell Paulson of her second engagement while on a busy street of downtown Minneapolis. Marco was at Hale's side when she broke the news to Paulson. It would be unnecessary to say that Paulson did not take the news well considering his actions following the confession: Paulson grabbed Ms. Hale in his arms and took off running down the street. Marco, confused and worried, ran away in the opposite direction.

Hale began kicking and screaming, but Paulson continued to run with his hostage through the crowded street. A police officer was alerted to Hale's screams, and caught Paulson a block from where he had picked up his cargo. Both Hale and Paulson were arrested for disorderly conduct. The couple pleaded guilty to the charges and incurred fines. Paulson was charged \$15 for his attempt to kidnap Hale, and Hale was fined \$10 for initiating the events that led to the disruption. Marco, who had taken off in the opposite direction, was freed of any charges.

## ND facing realities of coal decline

With the closure of the state's largest power plant and coal mine a certainty in 2022, North Dakota is forced to accept the realities facing a coal industry that has existed since settlement days.

Green River Energy, a Minnesota company, announced recently that it was closing its Coal Creek Station and Falkirk Mine near Underwood in 2022, short notice for a move that will have significant impact on the City of Underwood and surrounding area.

This closure may be only the first domino to go and sweep away the remaining four plants and six mines working at excavating the 400-billion ton bed of coal underlying western North Dakota.

### State has a role

A several weeks ago, this column predicted that the North Dakota coal industry would be gone in 50 years. At the time, hopeful advocates of coal mining failed

to understand that the prediction was not advocating the closure of the coal industry but suggested that the state government should play a lead role in helping communities and employees through any closures.

We can lament leaving 400 billion tons of coal in the ground; the loss of high-paying jobs; dying Main Streets and absorbing the fiscal shocks involved. But the coal industry is doomed by forces beyond our control.

According to comments from a Green River official, reported by Bismarck Tribune's April Baumgartner "energy produced from coal has been unable to compete with low-priced wind and natural gas." North Dakota has no voice in the energy market.

### Capitalism doesn't mourn

Even though Green River Energy is making efforts to soften the closure blow in the affected communities, the profit-motivated capitalistic system has little room

for mourning the social implications and economic consequences of its actions.

For decades we have refused to believe in the science of earth warming, using quack science to buttress our cause, the realities of its consequences are becoming more clear as each day passes. But because we have a strong economic motive and believe what we want to believe, we will deny it's reality until we are on the edge of the abyss.

While North Dakotans have a motive to deny earth warming, the rest of the states don't and are beginning to deal with the environmental crisis. And outside forces hold most of the cards.

### Outsiders hold cards

Oregon and Washington are ruling out the inclusion of coal in their energy mixes. Minnesota is planning to shut lignite out by 2050. The environmentally friendly states in the west and New England have also been moving

to curtail coal-generated power. Eventually, Congress will act.

If governments move too slowly for environmentalists, almost half of the states provide for placement of issues on general election ballots. We have already seen some healthy state ballot fights over environmental issues.

As earth warming becomes more apparent, public opinion will support more aggressive action.

### New opinions coming

In our previous column, we cited the shift in public opinion that will occur when the younger people move into the government and places of influence. Polls tell us that the younger generation is more concerned about earth warming than the older generation. That trend is relentless and unchangeable.

Since the 1960s, energy companies and the state and federal governments have poured millions and millions of dollars to



### N.D. Matters

By Lloyd Omdahl  
Former N.D. Lt. Governor and former professor of political science at UND

make coal clean. To suggest the organization of a method by which state and local leaders plan for the worst does not mean that we need abandon efforts to make coal clean. But if we don't find that silver bullet to make coal clean, the state should be prepared to make the crash less painful.

# Public Notices

Because it is your right to know

## Notice of Primary Election Wells County, North Dakota

**NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION**  
**Wells County, North Dakota**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, by mail ballot only, in the County of Wells, State of North Dakota, an election will be held for the election of State, District, County, and City Officers. If auxiliary aids or services are required to vote, please contact Julie Krosbakken, Wells County Auditor at 700 Railway St N #37, Fessenden, ND 58438; 701-547-3521; at least five (5) days prior to election.  
 Dated at Fessenden North Dakota, this 19th

day of May, 2020  
 Julie Krosbakken, Wells County Auditor  
 Fessenden, North Dakota  
 I, Julie Krosbakken, Wells County Auditor, do hereby certify that the following is a copy of the sample ballot of the Primary Election and that listed thereon is a correct list of names of the candidates for the designated offices certified to me by the Secretary of State and City auditors in Wells County and the nomination petitions and certificates of endorsements filed

in my office in conformity with law. The arrangement of candidate names appearing on ballots in your precinct may vary from the published sample ballot, depending upon the precinct in which you reside.  
**SEE BALLOTS**  
 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of Wells County, North Dakota, this 19th day of May, 2020  
 Julie Krosbakken, Wells County Auditor  
 Fessenden, North Dakota  
 (05-23.30.2020)

2020 Election

Forward Township  
 Fram Township  
 Hillsdale Township  
 Manfred Township  
 Pony Gulch Township  
 Rusland Township  
 Wells Township  
 Western Township

Bremen Township  
 Fairville Township  
 Germantown Township  
 Hamburg Township  
 Heimdal Township  
 Norway Lake Township  
 Oshkosh Township  
 St. Anna Township  
 Valhalla Township  
 West Norway Township  
 Hamburg City

Bull Moose Township  
 Chaseley Township  
 Crystal Lake Township  
 Delger Township  
 Haaland Township  
 Lynn Township  
 Progress Township  
 Silver Lake Township  
 West Ontario Township  
 Bowdon City  
 Hurdfield City

Berlin Township  
 Blodreau Township  
 Cathay Township  
 Hawkness Township  
 Johnson Township  
 South Cottonwood Township  
 Speedwell Township  
 Sykeston Township  
 Woodward Township  
 Cathay City  
 Sykeston City

Harvey City

Fessenden City

WELLS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA					
Precinct #1 Vote by Mail		Precinct #2 Vote by Mail		Precinct #3 Vote by Mail	
Hillsdale Twp.	Wells Twp.	Wellsburg Fram Twp.	Heimdal Twp.	Norway Lake Twp.	Valhalla Twp.
Harvey City		Hamburg City			
Precinct #2 Vote by Mail		Precinct #3 Vote by Mail		Precinct #4 Vote by Mail	
Western Twp.	Forward Twp.	Manfred Twp.	West Norway Twp.	Hamburg Twp.	Bremen Twp.
		Pony Gulch Twp.		Rusland Twp.	St. Anna Twp.
		Oshkosh Twp.		Germantown Twp.	Fairville Twp.
		Enrick			
Precinct #3 Vote by Mail		Precinct #4 Vote by Mail		Precinct #5 Vote by Mail	
Crystal Lake Twp.	Delger Twp.	West Ontario Twp.	S. Cottonwood Twp.	Cathay Twp.	Woodward Twp.
		Bull Moose Twp.		Chaseley Twp.	Chaseley
		Haaland Twp.		Heaton	Speedwell Twp.
		Blodreau Twp.		Sykeston City	Sykeston Twp.
		Blodreau Twp.			
Precinct #4 Vote by Mail		Precinct #5 Vote by Mail		Precinct #6 Vote by Mail	
Lynn Twp.	Silver Lake Twp.	Progress Twp.	Berlin Twp.	Johnson Twp.	Hawkness Twp.

2020 -Wells County is ONLY Vote by Mail for the Primary Election, 2020

**ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**  
 relating to  
**Real Estate Appraisers ND Real Estate Appraiser Qualifications and Ethics Board**  
 will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code at the  
**Roosevelt Park Room  
 Ground Floor  
 State Capitol  
 600 E. Boulevard Ave.  
 Bismarck, ND  
 Fri., June 19, 2020  
 8:00 a.m. CT**  
 A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the ND Real Estate Appraiser Board at PO Box 1336, Bismarck ND 58502-1336 or by calling (701) 222-1051. Written comments may be submitted to this address until June 29, 2020. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact Jodie Campbell at the above telephone number or address at least 2 days prior to the public hearing.  
 Dated this 15th day of May, 2020.  
 Jodie R. Campbell  
 Executive Secretary  
 North Dakota Real Estate Appraiser Qualifications and Ethics Board

**ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT, AMEND AND REPEAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**  
 relating to license requirements; accounting statements; performance reports; license limitations; assistants covered by license; wholesale bait pond, open when in use; fishing tournaments; use of proceeds; equipment regarding aquatic nuisance species; animals prohibited in wildlife management areas; training dogs in wildlife management areas; hunt or fish records; fishing, hunting and fur-bearer certificates; license design; combined licenses; moose, elk and bighorn sheep licenses; issuance of stamps; computer generated licenses; duplicate licenses; wildlife replacement values; adjustments to base values for deer, boat safety equipment; placement of regulatory signs, markers, buoys, and other warning or marking devices.  
**ND Game & Fish Department**  
 will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.  
**ND Game & Fish Dept.  
 100 N. Bismarck Expy.  
 Bismarck, ND  
 Thurs., June 18, 2020  
 1:15 p.m.**  
 The proposed rules are available on the Department's website at https://gf.nd.gov/ or a copy may be obtained by calling the Department at 701-328-6305. Also, written comments may be submitted to the above address through June 28, 2020. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department at the above phone number or address at least seven days prior to the public hearing.  
 Dated this 13th day of May, 2020.  
 Terry Steinwand, Director

**Notice of Hearing**  
**Notice to Competitors of Hearing on Application for Property Tax Incentives**  
 Notice is hereby given that the Wells County Board of Commissioners of Wells County, North Dakota, will meet at 10:00 a.m. on June 2, 2020 at Wells County Auditors Office to consider the application of Fessenden Co-op Association, Box 126 Fessenden, ND 58438 for property tax relief on the project which the applicant will use in the operation of Edible Bean Processing at 2442 Hwy 30 Hamberg, ND 58341, Sec. 33-150N69W Wells County. Any competitor of that applicant may appear and be heard by the Wells County Board of Commissioners at the time and place designated herein. A competitor may provide written comments to the governing body before the scheduled hearing. This notice is given by the above named applicant pursuant to the provisions of North Dakota Century Code SS 40-57.1-03  
 (05-23.30.2020)

**Notice of Petition**  
**IN DISTRICT COURT**  
**WELLS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE OF**  
**Jana Lynne Schimelfenig**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE**  
 1. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition in the above-entitled matter will be filed with the Clerk of District Court for Wells County, North Dakota, requesting an Order changing the name of Jana Lynne Schimelfenig to Jana Lynne Hopkins.  
 2. Pursuant to N.D.C.C. 32-28-02, thirty days previous notice of the intended application must be given in the official newspaper printed in this county. You are hereby notified that thirty days after publication, petitioner intends to file a petition requesting entry of the Court's Order changing the name of Jana Lynne Schimelfenig to Jana Lynne Hopkins. Any objection to granting this name change must be given in writing to the address listed below within 30 days of the date of this publication. The written objection must also be filed with the Court. If objections are given, the Court may respond to a Petition without further hearing.  
 Dated this 20th day of May, 2020.  
 Jana Schimelfenig  
 611 2nd St N Apt. D-4  
 PO Box 46  
 Fessenden, ND 58438  
 (05-23-2020)

**Notice of Election**  
**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
 Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 9th day of June, 2020, the annual Fessenden-Bowdon School District 25 school election will be held for the purpose of electing one board member for a three-year term (currently held by Kelly Jones) from geographical area #1 (at large from the city of Fessenden and Rural Township areas of Fram, Heimdal, Norway Lake, Manfred, West Norway, Hamberg, Bremen, Rusland, St. Anna, Oshkosh, Germantown, Fairville, Delger, West Ontario, South Cottonwood, Cathay). This will be an absentee ballot only election. All registered voters will be mailed an absentee application by the Office of the Secretary of State, prior to April 30, 2020. When completing the application be sure to select "School Election." If you do not receive an application you may request one by contacting the school business manager or on the school district's website. Ballot must be postmarked by JUNE 8th or put in the white drop box located in the school's main entry (door #1) by JUNE 8th by 5:00 p.m.  
 (5-23.30.2020)

REPUBLICAN	DEMOCRATIC-NPL	LIBERTARIAN
<b>Representative in Congress</b> Vote for no more than ONE name <input type="checkbox"/> Kelly Armstrong <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Representative in Congress</b> Vote for no more than ONE name <input type="checkbox"/> Roland Clifford Riemers <input type="checkbox"/> Zach Raknerud <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Representative in Congress</b> Vote for no more than ONE name <input type="checkbox"/> Steven James Peterson <input type="checkbox"/>
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# Harvey JDA working at home and looking afar

By Neil O. Nelson

Children under the care of the Tot Spot childcare in Harvey will be given a break from the sun this summer, thanks to the city's Job Development Authority.

JDA directors meeting this week authorized Rick Eckart to spend no more than \$4,000 for a porch or stand-alone structure for the northside daycare.

Eckart agreed to "get after it." The economic development arm of the city wants a 144 sq. ft. shelter for the Harvey daycare.

Director Martha Meranda reported that she and her staff currently have 21 children in their care.

The childcare facility will be observing its one-year anniversary earlier this month.

In attendance at the Tuesday night Zoom meeting were president Linda Knudtson, Ann Adams, Melissa Anderson, Milo Baltrusch, Rick Eckart and Chad Friese and Billie Jo Reutter.

In reports given at the May 19 meeting, the JDA learned that the clean-up at the old Powerhouse on Harvey's east side is progressing, according to developer Jon Franklin. The Harvey developer wants to establish a mental health care facility in the former power plant.

The F-5 group wanting to establish a recovery home in Harvey is continuing its search, pending the initiative paperwork that is being held up by the slow down experienced on all government levels, said Dr. Paul Gunderson.

"Nothing will develop very soon in that phase of the project."

The individuals involved in the project will meet in Harvey's Chamber of Commerce building, according to Ann Adams.

The proposed public meeting on the kitchen expansion project in the armory will be

held via Zoom, reported Dr. Gunderson. Date and time will be announced when established.

### Master plan

Encouraged by the state Department of Commerce and the Harvey Job Development Authority, Dr. Paul Gunderson and his endless work to entice commerce on a larger scale to consider a small North Dakota city with an industrial park is giving the city a blueprint to use in future discussions.

In areas of power and water, land and infrastructure, Gunderson has developed both a narrative and model-master plan to bring to the table.

To get to this point, Harvey's economic development guru has spent countless hours in tabulating the facts and figures.

This is all necessary, Gunderson told JDA directors this week, because offshore firms looking at rural North Dakota have little time to waste on small talk.

"They want to know what a city has to offer and they want it now," said Gunderson.

"They don't want to waste their time on an ill-prepared presentation," or a city that doesn't have it ducks in a row, Gunderson explained.

Acknowledging Gunderson's expertise, history and contacts, the state commerce department has worked with Gunderson in his talks with Far East business concerns, in particular.

Gunderson expects to hear in three months if his proposal is attractive to a Singapore company interested in locating its medical protective gear manufacturing plant in North Dakota. The firm would employ 73 in its first phase. The power needed and requirement of 10 million gallons of water used in a month could be met by Harvey, according to Gunderson.

A 150,000 sq. ft. building would be needed, with room to expand.

The issue hurting a move to Harvey would be the availability of natural gas. Gunderson has put the Singapore representatives with reps from Alkane Midstream, a power company operating in the Bakken near Williston that distributes liquefied natural gas (LNG).

"Our industrial park is proving to be quite beneficial for us in negotiations and it's extremely attractive to large companies wanting to locate in rural North Dakota," said Gunderson.

The Harvey Industrial Park is situated off the northwest corner of the city.

Watford City is also attempting to attract the Singapore company.

### Far East interest

Dr. Gunderson decided against submitting a proposal to bring another offshore company to Harvey and Wells County.

He spent more than five days calibrating and working on the proposal before deciding against it, largely because of the amount of wastewater anticipated and the environmental concerns with the processing of field corn and the resulting fumes emitted from the plant.

The firm would use 50 incoming railroad cars and 150 outbound CPR cars in a month.

There were just too many red flags with this particular offshore proposal, Gunderson reported.

In other business, Gunderson said he had two grant proposals submitted to pay for the kitchen project at the armory.

"We're pretty fortunate to have activity in economic development going on," Dr. Gunderson concluded.

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**National Anthem: Music by Lynn Baltrusch**

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**Sunday, May 24th**  
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