



"WHERE THE WEST BEGINS"

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January meetings

City Commission, Jan. 7 at 5:30 p.m. & Jan. 21 at 5 p.m., City Hall

School Board, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m., City Hall

Park Board, Jan. 13 at 5:30 p.m., City Hall

County Commission, Jan. 9 & 28 at 5:30 p.m., City Hall

City Planning & Zoning, Jan. 27 at 5:30 p.m., City Hall

MPO Annual Dinner

Celebrate Mandan's successes with the Mandan Progress Organization on Jan. 16 at Baymont Inn & Suites. Social begins at 5 p.m. Dinner Follows at 6 p.m. For more information visit mandanprogress.org or call 701-751-2983.

Latidot Scoop & Gift Shop wins Business Pitch Challenge

The winner of Mandan's second annual Business Pitch Challenge held Nov. 12 is Latidot (pronounced Lah-Tee-Dot) Scoop and Gift Shop, a new business planned by Dot Frank of Mandan. She received \$750 in cash, the chance to be eligible for a \$10,000 forgivable loan from the Mandan Growth Fund, plus a host of other prizes to assist on her entrepreneurial venture.

Frank is planning to open a hand-scooped ice cream and gift shop in the downtown area. The shop will specialize in unique items such as stationery, greeting cards, toys and novelties plus limited furniture and décor.



Finalists Nathan and Theresa Dessonville, Dot Frank, Travis Helfrich and Kaylee Kriege.

First runner-up is Third Day Farm, a proposal by Theresa and Nathan Dessonville to establish a cut-flower farm to supply long-stem flowers to area florists, event coordinators and do-it-yourself wedding decorators and farmers markets.

Other finalists were Coal Country Coffee, a start-up company operated by Travis and Lacy Helfrich; and Invited Events and Rentals, a proposal by Kaylee Kriege. Coal Country Coffee roasts and packages five different blends of premium fresh coffee that is wholesaled to regional coffee shops and stores for on-site brewing and re-sale plus sold online. The Invited Events and Rentals concept is to rent special occasion décor and furnishings from a showroom or warehouse with services to include delivery, set-up and tear-down. All finalists received prizes. The full list of awards and donors is posted at cityofmandan.com/businesspitch.

Residents reminded to check sump pumps

The Engineering & Planning department reminds citizens to check their sump pumps to ensure proper functionality. It is especially important this year, heading into winter with above average moisture in the ground.

Discharge of sump water. Drain sump water away from your home on to a non-erodible surface such as concrete so that it will drain into the street if possible. Discharging into your own yard, may cause the water to return to your sump.

Please do not pump water into your floor drains, toilets, or sinks in your home as that increases the volume of ground water to the wastewater treatment plant which is not set up to treat large volumes of ground water. Drainage of sump pumps into the sanitary sewer is against City ordinance. However, if necessary to pump during winter months, and if reasonable concerns that such pumping will result in freezing in unwanted locations, the City will allow conditional pumping into the City sanitary sewer system from Oct. 1 through March 31 with a signed seasonal waiver form. This form is available at cityofmandan.com/engineering or in the Engineering & Planning office at City Hall.

Recycling Calendars available for download!

The 2020 recycling calendars are available for download on the City's website. They can also be picked up at City Hall.

To download a calendar or view the list of accepted and unaccepted items, visit cityofmandan.com/recycle.





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Historic Apartments on 4th receives Legendary Heritage Award

Gov. Doug Burgum recently recognized Mandan with the 2019 Main Street ND Legendary Heritage Award for the Historic Apartments on Fourth.

The 2019 Main Street Awards honors communities that show excellence in elevating the three pillars of the Main Street Initiative: healthy, vibrant communities; smart efficient infrastructure; and 21st century workforce. The Legendary Heritage Award focuses on preserving and protecting historical assets.

The Historic Apartments on Fourth, formerly Mandan's junior high school, is now on the National Register of Historic Places, and offers 39 affordable housing units designed to attract and retain workforce.



City staff & representatives from the Historic Apartments on Fourth pose with Gov. Burgum & Lt. Gov. Sanford during the Main Street Summit awards ceremony.

Sign up for SmartHub & eBills by Jan. 31 for \$10 credit

The City of Mandan is offering a one-time \$10 credit on the utility bill to customers signing up for both *SmartHub* and electronic bills (eBills) by Jan. 31. Customers signing up for both services will receive the credit on their following billing statement.

To sign up for *SmartHub*, click on the "Pay Utility Bill" icon on the top of the cityofmandan.com website. New users will be directed to a login page and should click "sign up to access our Self Service site." Customers will be asked to enter their *new* billing account number, which can be found on the November billing statement, by calling 667-3219, or emailing water@cityofmandan.com. Once logged in to *SmartHub*, customers can go paperless by switching to eBills under the "My Profile" section.

Instructions and more information are available at cityofmandan.com/utilitybilling.

Candidates may begin circulating petitions Jan. 1

There are a few local positions up for reelection in 2020. The earliest date candidates may begin circulating petitions is Jan. 1. Petitions may be filed as early as Jan. 2, but no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020.

There are three City Commission positions, including the mayor, two commissioners, and municipal judge; three positions with the Morton County Commission; three Mandan Park Board positions; and two Mandan School Board positions.

For more information visit cityofmandan.com/elections.

2020 Community calendar to be available by end of 2019

A collaborative community calendar is being mailed to all addresses with a 58554 zip code this month. The calendar will provide residents, businesses and visitors with important dates and resource information.

A digital version of the calendar that interfaces with Outlook and other calendar applications will soon be available at mylocalevents.org. Copies will also be available for further distribution by public entities.

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Assessing	667-3232
Building Inspection	667-3230
Business Development & Communications	667-3485
Cemetery	751-7893
Engineering, Planning & Zoning	667-3225
Finance.....	667-3213
Fire	667-3288
Forestry.....	751-7894
Grounds	
Maintenance.....	751-7895
Human Resources.....	667-3217
Landfill	667-0184
Library.....	667-5365
Municipal Court.....	667-3270
Police.....	667-3250
Public Works.....	667-3240
Special Assessments....	667-3271
Utility Billing	667-3219
Waste Water	
Treatment	667-3278
Water Treatment.....	667-3275

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