

PUBLIC NOTICE

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Minnkota Power Coop, Inc.
345 kV Transmission Line - Center to
Grand Forks
Siting Application
Case No. PU-09-670
NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF
HEARINGS
January 18, 2011**

On September 7, 2011 the Commission issued Corridor Certificate No. 121 to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. (Minnkota) designating a transmission facility corridor for approximately 260 miles of 345 kV transmission line and associated facilities to be constructed from the Center Substation near Center, North Dakota to the Prairie Substation near Grand Forks, North Dakota.

On December 2, 2011 Minnkota filed applications for a modification to the designated corridor, a waiver of procedures and time schedules, and a transmission facility route to be designated within the modified corridor as shown on the attached map.

Minnkota requests the Commission waive requirements under N.D.C.C. chapter 49-22 that separate hearings be held

concerning the waiver request, the corridor modification and the route permit.

Three separate public hearings will be held with each covering an overview of the project, but focusing on specific portions of the project in the specific areas of each hearing. A Public Hearing on the application will be held:

February 22, 2012, 9:00 a.m. at Memorial Hall, 805 Main Ave. Washburn, ND 58577. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Burleigh, McLean, Oliver and western Sheridan Counties.

February 27, 2012, 9:00 a.m. in the Baker Courtroom at the UND School of Law, 215 Centennial Drive Stop 9003, Grand Forks, ND 58201. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Grand Forks, Nelson and Steele Counties.

March 1, 2012, 9:00 a.m. at the Chieftain Conference Center Tepee Room, 60 4th Ave.S, Carrington, ND 58204. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Eddy, Foster, Griggs, eastern Sheridan and Wells Counties.

The issues to be considered are:
1. Will the location, construction, and

operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?

2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?

3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

4. Is it appropriate for the Commission to approve a 1,000 foot-wide corridor as requested in the application?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Kevin Cramer, Commissioner
Tony Clark, Chairman
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner

PUBLIC NOTICE

**DAKOTA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIST. NO. 1
Monday, January 09, 2012,
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DAKOTA PRAIRIE HIGH SCHOOL
FACS ROOM**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rod Gilderhus with members Carolyn Kueber, Todd Jorde and Sarah Anderson present. Brian Dinger was absent. Also present were Superintendent Janet Edlund, Principals Cindy Bjornstad and Jared Schlenker and Lori Dahl, Business Manager.

The minutes, bills for payment and financial reports were reviewed.

Motion by Todd Jorde, second by Carolyn Kueber to approve for minutes from the December Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Sarah Anderson, Second by Todd Jorde to approve the financial reports as presented and the bills for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Bjornstad reported on: Cultural Awareness Week next week at the elementary school, Lifetouch will be in to take photos on February 1st. and the administrators conference

Mr. Schlenker reported on: Student Council retreat, it was a good day very good discussion, many good ideas. Transportation-good weather makes for a good bus year so far. The bus that we were

going to trade in is worth more than \$500 to the wrecking yard. Harlows is fine with this, we just need to send them the \$500.

Mrs. Edlund's items for discussion: The negotiations seminar in February is being sponsored by the School Board's Association. Mrs. Edlund will not be attending this year as we do not negotiate until next year. There were no board members interested in attending this year, possibly next year.

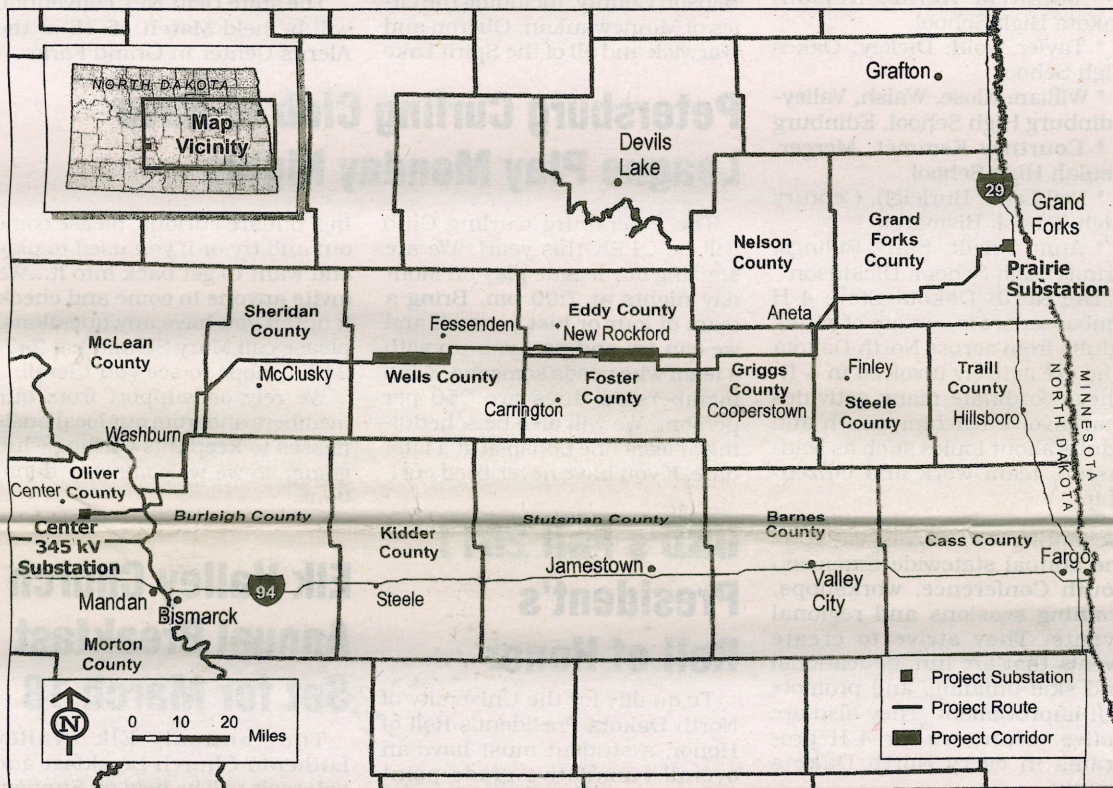
The board reviewed the pledge of securities at this time.

Mrs. Edlund did send a letter to Dave Blaze and Aaron Mork to discuss the use of their building for the Technology Program. The board also had the conversation of setting up future board meetings with light agenda's via conference call. The only requirement we have is that the posted agenda state that the meeting is by conference call and that the speaker in the room is loud enough for visitors to hear.

The next board meeting was set for Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Sarah Anderson to adjourn.

Chairperson
Business Manager



Former NDSU Extension Director Honored

Sharon Anderson, a former North Dakota State University Extension Service director, has received the National 4-H Council's Gary L. Davis Leadership Award.

The award honors those who have provided strong leadership in advancing the 4-H movement.

Anderson, who served as NDSU's Extension director from 1994 through 2003, spent the last eight years as special consultant to the president and CEO of the National 4-H Council. She recently retired from

that position.

"My major role was to build and maintain positive relationships between the National 4-H Council and the leadership of the Cooperative Extension System," Anderson says. "I worked especially closely with Extension directors and administrators, helping them understand the role and work of the council, and I helped council staff understand the workings of the Cooperative Extension Service."

The Gary L. Davis Leadership Award comes with a monetary gift. Recipients designate a state

to receive the money for its 4-H programming. Anderson selected NDSU Extension's Sioux County 4-H program to receive \$3,600.

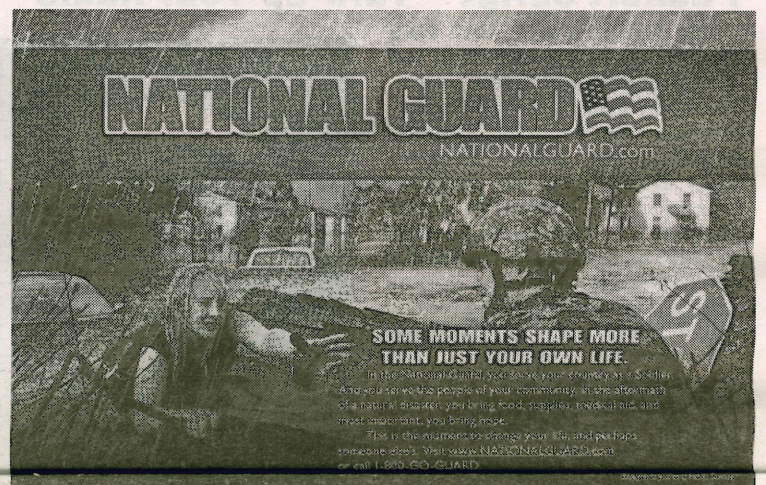
The North Dakota 4-H Foundation is serving as the fiscal recipient of the gift and will designate the funds for use by the Sioux County 4-H program.

"This is an excellent example of the foundation serving as stewards of financial gifts to be used for local 4-H programs in the state," says Mylie Lavold, the foundation's development director.

"I am very humbled and honored that Sharon has given this gift to our programs on Standing Rock," says Sioux County Extension agent Sue Isbell. "The gift will be used to create sustainable programs for our youth."

About 500 youth on the Standing Rock Reservation are involved in 4-H in the Sioux County through school enrichment, after-school and archery programs and day camps.

"I chose Sioux County to receive this money because of the positive programs that have been developed and implemented over the years, especially by Sue Isbell, to reach a very targeted audience, mainly Native American youth," Anderson says. "I am thrilled that 4-H is thriving in Sioux County and so many young people are involved in this positive work."



**District 23 Republican Party to Hold
Reorganization Meeting
& Endorsing Convention
February 18, 2012
Coachman Inn, 504 9th Street SW,
Cooperstown, ND**

Reorganization at 10:00 am immediately followed by endorsing convention and lunch.

For the purpose of electing precinct and district officers, selecting delegates to the ND State Republican Convention to be held March 30 through April 1, 2012 in Bismarck, ND, and other business deemed necessary.

Lauri Olson - District 23 Chairman
701-789-0414

Monuments

Pre-Arrangements

Aaker

Funeral Service

Dan Kassian • Ryan Iverson

Lakota

247-2509

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