

## What's coming up

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Awards Night, 7 p.m.

### THURSDAY, MAY 6

LRC golf meet at Rolling Hills in Aberdeen, 10 a.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 7

Sisseton high school track meet, 3 p.m.

Ellendale junior high track meet, 4 p.m.

### SATURDAY, MAY 8

Frederick Area Graduation, 4 p.m.

### TUESDAY, MAY 11

Lake Region Conference track meet (junior high and high school), 12:30 p.m. in Ipswich

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Frederick town board meeting, 7 p.m. at the community center

Frederick Area school board meeting, 7 p.m. in school library

### FRIDAY, MAY 14

Waubay Legion track meet (junior high and high school), noon

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## Frederick has its own oatmeal company

### Sumption brothers' Anthem Oats aims to capture market share with flavorful grain

BY CONNIE SIEH GROOP

A new company in Frederick celebrates old-fashioned goodness. It offers oats grown in the fields by the Sumption family in several varieties of delicious oatmeal through Anthem Oats.

"We believe in good honest oats and in being good stewards of the land on which they're grown," Taylor Sumption, CEO of Anthem Oats, said. "Our great-great-grandfather homesteaded in South Dakota in 1882 and raised more than just oats—five generations of hard-working Americans. We follow respectful, regenerative, sustainable farming, which ensures that our land continues to provide for generations to come."

The company is co-owned by Warren, Taylor, Christopher, Eric, and Mark Sumption.

For some, oatmeal may seem old-fashioned. Anthem Oats recognizes that today's consumers enjoy the unbeatable taste that comes from their grain, which is specially

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PHOTO BY CONNIE SIEH GROOP

Taylor and Cassie Sumption are pictured in the office of the Sumptions' new business venture, Anthem Oats.

## Residents discuss progress, next moves for recycling

BY TAMIE NICKELSON

Some community members are interested in finding ways to do live with the land instead of off the land.

Discussions about recycling were held in 2019 and again April 21. So far, people have stepped forward to create can recycling, which is located next to the store. Reusable bags have become available to use. The school and store are recycling cardboard.

Thersia Cox set up a display to show how many recycled materials are used in one week at the school. What a great Earth Day demonstration!

Composting food scraps and other organic matter to create rich soil was discussed as a possible next step for recycling efforts in the community.



PHOTO BY HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

Thersia Cox, a custodian at Frederick Area School, has started a recycling program at the school. She put together this display of how much recycling of bottles, paper, and cardboard she gathers in a week. Also recycled but not pictured are aluminum cans. "This isn't going in the landfill, and that makes me feel better about it," she said. The display was up for the recycling discussion April 21 and for students to see the next day, which was Earth Day.



## Reading for pets

Frederick elementary students participated in a pet-themed reading challenge. They were sponsored by Starion Bank to read pages and earn money for Aberdeen Area Humane Society. As a result of reading 35,999 pages, the bank's donation came out to \$500. The students also participated in a pet supply drive donating collars, treats, garbage bags, toys, and much more for pets in need.

PHOTO BY FASD JOURNALISM

## Students' coin war benefits Community Store projects

FASD JOURNALISM

For a community/volunteer project, the eighth-grade FACS class, headed up by Mrs. Arthurs, conducted a coin war among the K-12 classes. Students collected coins and brought them to the school to support a cause chosen by the students.

All donations were given to the Community Store to help offset costs of upcoming renovations/projects.

In a much appreciated effort, the Elm Valley Men's Club matched the students' donations.

The kindergarten class led the elementary side with \$140.99, while the seventh-graders paced the high school classes with \$100.70. The school's total efforts were \$1,972.27.

**COACHING POSITIONS:** The Leola/Frederick Sports Coop has the following coaching positions available for the 2021-2022 school year:

- Jr High Football (two positions)
- Jr High Volleyball (two positions)
- Assistant Varsity Boys' Basketball

Interested parties should complete the Application for Employment found on [frederickarea.k12.sd.us](http://frederickarea.k12.sd.us) and submit to Jeff Kosters at Frederick Area School. Any questions may be directed to Kosters via phone at 329-2145 or email at [jeff.kosters@k12.sd.us](mailto:jeff.kosters@k12.sd.us). These positions will remain open until filled.

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## April/May Students of the Month



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Elementary Students of the Month for April/May are, front row: Hadleigh Hoggarth, Dawson Clark, and Gunner Hoggarth; and back row: Chris Voeller, Annabel Johnson, and Quintessa Cruse. The trait for the month is creativity.



Junior high/high school Students of the Month for April/May based on the trait of creativity, were John Bretsch, Anna Brotzel, Maddie Sumption, and Brendan Tschappat.



# Opt-out resolution will be discussed

By JEFF KOSTERS  
Frederick Area Superintendent

As hard as it is to believe, we are nearing the end of another school year.

I feel like we have been extremely fortunate here at Frederick Area School this past year. We did not have to close down due to the coronavirus, and while we had a few students and staff out from time to time during the fall semester, we have had very smooth sailing since returning from Christmas break. Mother Nature was also very accommodating this past year as well, as we only had one snow day and that was back in October. Considering other states around the country still do not have kids back in the classroom, we have much to be thankful for.

Spring activities are in full swing with track and golf, and the month of May will be extremely busy. The Lake Region Conference Golf Meet will take place at Rolling Hills in Aberdeen on Thursday, May 6, at 10 a.m., and the Lake Region Conference Track meet will be held at Ipswich on Tuesday, May 11, at 12:30. The Region Track Meet will take place in Britton on Thursday, May 20, with a 10 a.m. start time; and the Region Golf Meet will take place in Watertown at Cattail Crossing on Monday, May 24, with a 9 a.m. start time.



Other important events include the Spring Music Concert on Tuesday, May 4, at 7 p.m.; Awards Night on Wednesday, May 5, at 7 p.m.; Frederick Area's Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 8, at 1 p.m.; and the last day of school for the year will be Thursday, May 13.

If you have a son/daughter who plans on participating in an athletic activity next year, Sanford will be coming back to Frederick Area School to do sports physicals on Wednesday, May 12, at 8:30 a.m. Our district requires all student-athletes to have an annual sports physical; but due to Covid this past year, the annual requirement was waived, and those that had a physical the previous year were allowed to roll them over to this past year. We will once again move back to the annual requirement moving forward, so it would be a great opportunity to get that taken care of. The cost for the sports physicals at school will be \$25, and students

will have the packets sent home with them prior to that date.

Lastly, the Frederick Area School Board will consider adopting an opt-out resolution this summer in the amount of \$350,000. Senate Bill 170 was passed during the 2020 legislative session and limits the amount of revenue a district can generate within its Capital Outlay fund each year. It caps the amount on a per-student basis depending on the fall student count each year, and will reduce the previous annual revenue by about \$350,000. The intent of the proposed opt-out would be to make up the difference in lost revenue as a result of that bill. More information will follow and a public meeting will be planned at some point as well.

At this point in time, we are not aware of any staff planning to leave the district, so there will be no positions to fill within the district. The same cannot be said for the Leola/Frederick sports co-op. There are five coaching openings currently for the upcoming school year, including: two junior high volleyball positions, two junior high football positions, and an assistant boys' basketball position. Interested parties may contact me at school or via email.

See you all next fall!

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### MONDAY, MAY 17

Pre-Region golf meet at Cattail Crossing in Watertown, 9 a.m.

### THURSDAY, MAY 20

Britton high school track meet, 10 a.m. (field events) and 11:30 a.m. (running events)

Ipswich golf meet, 10 a.m.

### MONDAY, MAY 24

Region golf meet at Cattail Crossing, 9 a.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 28

State Track Meet, O'Harra Stadium, Rapid City. Continues Saturday, May 29.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 1

Baseball vs. Claremont, in Frederick. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.

Teeners baseball vs. Groton, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. in Groton

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

Teeners baseball vs. Mellette, 6 and 8 p.m. in Mellette

### FRIDAY, JUNE 4

Baseball vs. Westport in Westport. Midgets at 5:30 p.m., Pee-Wees at 7 p.m.

Teeners baseball vs. Ellendale, 6 and 8 p.m. in Frederick

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### MONDAY, JUNE 7

Baseball vs. Andover in Frederick. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 8

Baseball vs. Claremont in Claremont. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

Frederick town board meeting, 7 p.m. at the community center

### THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Teeners Baseball vs. Clark, 6 and 8 p.m. in Clark

### MONDAY, JUNE 14

Frederick Area school board meeting, 7 p.m. in school library

### TUESDAY, JUNE 15

Baseball vs. Bath in Bath. Midgets at 5:30 p.m., Pee-Wees at 7 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

Teeners Baseball vs. Groton, 6 and 8 p.m. in Frederick

### THURSDAY, JUNE 17

Baseball vs. Bath in Frederick. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 18

Teeners Baseball vs. Faulkton, 6 and 8 p.m. in Frederick

### MONDAY, JUNE 21

Teeners Baseball vs. Selby, 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in Frederick

### TUESDAY, JUNE 22

Baseball vs. Leola in Frederick. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 24

Baseball vs. Columbia in Frederick. T-Ball at 5 p.m., Pee-Wees at 6 p.m., Midgets at 7:30 p.m.



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# Oatmeal: Watch for product in stores this summer

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grown to provide the best flavor. They paired their oats with some great combinations to provide variety.

Some in the Frederick area have tried samples of the locally grown oatmeal. Because of COVID-19, several delays in packaging have pushed back the date for the product. The company hopes to begin direct Internet sales and be on grocery shelves mid-June or the first of July. Several big companies have reached out to them to request adding Anthem Oats to their product line.

Varieties will include dark chocolate brownie, super fruit, vanilla chai, peach and cranberry, pumpkin spice and maple pecan. The business will offer oats with no flavoring—old-fashioned, one-minute oats and steel-cut oats. Steel-cut oats are groats of whole oats chopped into pieces.

Taylor said providing a business in Frederick is important to help grow the community. Along U.S. Highway 281, they designed the 72-foot by 144-foot warehouse and production facility for food handling. The spacious office area where he and his wife, Cassandra, work is 48 feet by 50 feet. The Sumptions welcome people to stop by to learn more about the company. As production ramps up, they eventually plan to add up to 15 employees.

The steps of de-hulling, milling and packaging takes place at other sites. In the future, there is room to the west of the building to add equipment to move those operations to Frederick.

The family started planting oats about seven years ago, and this company results from years of planning ways to add value to their crop. “I first thought maybe we should make oat milk and oat yogurt,” Taylor said. “My advisors said that oatmeal products were a much better choice.”

In 2018, Taylor planned to meet with a consultant to push the idea forward. Many will remember that he suffered life-threatening injuries after striking an approach near Frederick. That delayed the meeting. While physically sidelined with his injury, Taylor used his recovery time to study ways to move the idea ahead and develop a plan for the business. “It really was a miracle that I survived the accident with as little long-term damage as I did.”

Taylor said this past year emphasized the need for consumers to know the origin of their food. They look for products that iden-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

**ABOVE:** The new Anthem Oats building, viewed here looking west, is located off U.S. Highway 281.

**RIGHT:** Brothers Warren, Taylor, Chris, Eric, and Mark Sumption are co-owners of Anthem Oats.



tify where the food originated. They want to make sure it is the same product that ends up in the package. Anthem Oats works to respond following identity protection protocols.

As with any food-grade product, combines and trucks are thoroughly cleaned before harvest. The Sumptions installed a grain cleaner at the farm as part of the process. Once cleaned, the oats are loaded into a truck which is sealed and sent to Altona, Manitoba, in Canada where they get de-hulled. After that, they ship them to Fargo, N.D., where they are made into flakes. They then head to Battle Creek, Mich., for packaging by a company called Snack Works. Taylor is looking at other places that may be closer. They assure consumers that the oats that come off the Sumption combine are the same ones that go into the oatmeal.

“Some consultants thought we should build our warehouse in Fargo or Sioux Falls. But that goes against our idea of coming from the area where our brand begins. We want to provide a business that celebrates rural life. This may provide a business opportunity for our kids or my nieces and nephews in the future. They are excited about this venture. The oats starts here with our family. That’s why we located here.”

What would Grandpa Ray Sumption think of this? “I think he’d be proud,” Taylor said. “He’d also be amazed at how much money goes into making this business work. Farming has changed from the physical work to the mental work. They certainly faced challenges; we face a distinct set of challenges.”

For many farmers, oats were added to the rotation for soil health. “We grew it mainly for straw, which we chopped and used in our cattle ration.” Last year, South Dakota led the nation in the amount of oats raised with 10.8 million bushels. About one-third go for grain and one-third for forage.

While his brothers are out on the tractors planting this year’s crop, Taylor focuses on meeting with advisors and marketing people. “I act as Chief Financial Officer for the farming of Sumption Farms. I’m involved in planning, marketing, and financial decisions. At this time, I’m spending most of my days at Anthem Oats. When I get out of here at 5 p.m., I head out to help with planting. It’s always rewarding to plant the seeds that will eventually get harvested in the fall.”

Cassie begins each day with oatmeal and loves the varieties. “I love it and am so glad that it’s finally all coming together. It’s been a long process. The first time I see Anthem Oats on grocery shelves, it will be overwhelming!”

Taylor’s excitement comes through when he describes reaction to the business and considers the future.

“I think it will be good for Frederick with the potential for new jobs. It is rewarding to get good feedback, even though we haven’t really started selling the product. As a corn or bean grower, I don’t get that. Because of Covid-19 and shortages, we are getting a lot of attention from grocery stores that would never have considered us before.”

Adding value to crops makes sense. The Sumption family of Frederick developed Anthem Oats to take the grain they grow in their fields, process the grain and offer it for sale to customers. Through the company, they provide a wholesome alternative and stay true to family and their rural lifestyle. And provide some great oatmeal to start each day!

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Flower: White Rose

Motto: "Chase your dreams,  
but always know the road will lead  
you home again." – Tim McGraw

# class of 2021



Kaylin Achen

**Parents:** Janel and Richard Achen

**Future plans:** Attend Northern State University and get a degree in elementary education and special education.

**Advice to underclassmen:** Respect your peers, get involved in school activities, and build friendships.

**What would you do differently if you started over in seventh grade?** Get in the gym more and spend more time with my class.



Hunter Bretsch

**Parents:** Derek Bretsch and Jessica Monsen

**Future plans:** Go wherever God takes me.

**Advice to underclassmen:** Play sports. The bond between you and your teammates is like none other.

**What would you do differently if you started over in seventh grade?** Lift more and more wisely, and I'd stop caring what people think of me.



Jesse Geranen

**Parents:** Doug and Lesli Geranen

**Future plans:** Attend Lake Area Tech, majoring in diesel technology, and then return to the family farm

**Advice to underclassmen:** Get your homework done. It is there to benefit you.

**What would you do differently if you started over in seventh grade?** Actually do something in the weight room.





Matt Olson

**Parents:** Lee and Tracy Olson

**Future plans:** Attend the John Deere tech program at the North Dakota State College of Science

**Advice to underclassmen:** Just be yourself and do what you need to do to succeed.

**What would you do differently if you started over in seventh grade?** Save more money.



Isaac Sumption

**Parents:** Joel and Stephanie Sumption

**Future plans:** Attend Presentation College, major in biology, and play college basketball

**Advice to underclassmen:** Work hard in everything you do, and cherish the time you have in here, because it goes by fast.

**What would you do differently if you started over in seventh grade?** Hit the weights and get in the gym.

And the   
*Adventure*  
 begins

# Official Board Proceedings Frederick Area School District #6-2 April 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson, Jon Ellwein, Richard Achen and Alex Hart. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Koters, K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg, Business Manager Janel Wagner, teachers Janelle Barondeau and Marty Morlock.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of the public are allowed three minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. Ms. Janelle Barondeau reported on anticipated participant numbers for the 2021 Cross Country season and asked the board to consider adding an Assistant Coach. Exit Janelle Barondeau.

Action 20-0108 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, carried.

Action 20-109 Motion by Achen, second by Ellwein to approve consent agenda which included the following items as presented: minutes of meetings held March 11 and March 22, 2021; March 2021 financial report, district bills and March 2021 payroll. All aye, carried.

## CLAIMS APPROVED MARCH 2021 PAYROLL

General Fund salaries	72,913.47
Special Education salaries	20,865.63
Food Service	2,797.63
EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/ Medicare	28,522.42
AFLAC, supplemental insurance	1,105.29
American Funds, retirement	1,460.26
Delta Dental, insurance	1,693.50
The Standard, life insurance	269.79
Security Benefits, retirement	1,100.26
Optilegra, vision insurance	391.38
Wellmark, health insurance	15,686.00
SD Retirement	14,508.76
SD Retirement Supplemental,	465.26

## GENERAL FUND

Aberdeen Awards, awards	126.00
Amazon Capital Services, supplies	422.95
American Red Cross Training Services, training	96.00
Auto Value Aberdeen, repairs	50.10
Capital One Trade Credit/Mac's, repairs	175.8
Cash-Wa Distributing Co of Fargo, LLC, FFVP	927.43
Cole Papers Inc, supplies	2,439.73
Collins Sports Medicine, supplies	310.00
Community Store, supplies	375.2
Crawford Trucks & Equipment, repairs	2,464.32
Custodial Account-FASD, Imprest reimbursement	255.00
Dumire, James, repairs	390.00
Farnam's Genuine Parts Inc, repairs	247.47
GDI News, publishing	153.35
Green Iron Equipment, repairs	5.32
Hauff Mid America Sports, supplies	23.85
Innovative Office Solutions LLC, supplies	20.73
Institutional Compliance Solutions, training	349.00
James Valley Telecom, telephone	256.51
Kessler's, supplies	20.83
Menards, repairs	221.63
Merchant Services, fees	54.25
Mid-American Research Chemical, supplies	367.93

Ending March 31, 2021	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND	SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND	FOOD SERVICE FUND	DRIVERS ED FUND	GOV & ENT FUND ACCOUNT TOTALS	CUSTODIAL / SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Beginning checking Balance	\$152,553.46	\$302,170.38	\$169,229.44	(\$506.52)	\$2,112.92	\$625,559.68	\$4,366.34
Revenue:							
Taxes	\$32,229.45	\$21,019.41	\$9,744.34				
Local Sources	\$2,254.84		\$45.00	\$5,700.70	\$150.00		\$3,028.20
Intermediate Sources	\$541.09						
Interest	\$26.02						\$0.22
Federal & State	\$45,874.76			\$2,518.02			
Total Revenue	\$80,926.16	\$21,019.41	\$9,789.34	\$8,218.72	\$150.00	\$120,103.63	\$3,028.42
Disbursements							
Bills	\$44,712.22	\$1,646.04	\$11,352.51	\$4,125.68			\$255.00
Payroll	\$124,474.17		\$32,918.81	\$4,386.67			
Total Disbursements	\$169,186.39	\$1,646.04	\$44,271.32	\$8,512.35	\$0.00	\$223,616.10	\$255.00
Total checking balance	\$64,293.23	\$321,543.75	\$134,747.46	(\$800.15)	\$2,262.92	\$522,047.21	\$7,139.76
Beginning investment balance	\$515,954.38	\$1,933,634.20	\$1,446,175.05			\$3,895,763.63	
Interest	\$2,406.02						
Total investment balance	\$518,360.40	\$1,933,634.20	\$1,446,175.05			\$3,898,169.65	
Ending Balance	\$582,653.63	\$2,255,177.95	\$1,580,922.51	(\$800.15)	\$2,262.92	\$4,420,216.86	

Midwest Pest Control, pest control	470.00
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co, electric	5,421.38
My Place Hotel, travel	128.82
Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies	439.40
Pomp's Tire Service Inc, repairs	144.74
Quality Inn & Suites, travel	160.00
Running Supply Inc, repairs	173.88
Sanford Pentagon, training	55.74
School Specialty, supplies	54.84
SD High School Activities Assoc. fees	660.00
SDASBO, conference registration	75.00
South Dakota Medicaid, admin fees	54.36
Southeast Area Cooperative, training	185.00
Town of Frederick, utilities	595.95
Travel Centers of America, travel	136.00
United States Postal Service, postage	15.95
World's Finest Chocolate, fundraiser	1,854.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,338.04</b>
Imprest checks: Boys & Girls Club - Willie Mac Hoops, BBB tournament	175.00
Broer, Joan, reimbursement	20.00
Sumption, Sarah, JHBBB camp reimburse	60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$255.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND</b>	
A&B Business Solutions, managed print contract	670.70
Cole Papers Inc, vacuum	498.25
Wordware Inc, lunchroom software	1,512.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,680.95</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND</b>	
Avera St Luke's, therapy	2,881.87
Bain, Larissa, mileage	201.60
Geffre, Wendy, mileage	50.40
United States Postal Service, postage	9.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,143.67</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE FUND</b>	
Cash-Wa Distributing Co of Fargo, LLC, food/ supplies	4,740.48
Cash-Wa Distributing of Kearney Inc, food 223.71	
Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies	148.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,113.02</b>

Mr. Koters reported information regarding a potential opt-out for the upcoming year and reviewed agenda items in detail. Mrs. Ringgen-

berg reported that the spring standardized testing is in process and results will be received soon. Mrs. Wagner reported updates on federal grant funding and GASB 84 changes made to former Trust & Agency scholarship funds. Dan Nickelson reported the NCSEC has completed their negotiated agreement with staff receiving a \$3,000 raise. Mr. Koters and Mrs. Ringgenberg reported they have some ideas on how to restripe the south parking lot to ease the flow of traffic. Work will be completed this summer. Mr. Koters presented information to the board regarding a potential \$350,000 opt-out. A public information meeting will be set prior to any board action.

Action 20-110 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to adopt the 2021-22 SDHSAA Membership Resolution. Roll call vote-all aye, carried.

Action 20-111 Motion by Ellwein, second by Achen to approve 2021-22 North Central Special Education Cooperative District Membership Agreement. All aye, carried.

Action 20-112 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to approve Open Enrollment Application #22-3. All aye, carried.

Action 20-113 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to approve the 2021-2022 Associated School Boards Protective Trust-South Dakota School Districts Benefits Fund Participation Agreement. Roll call vote-all aye, carried.

Action 20-114 Motion by Ellwein, second by Achen to approve the 2021-2022 Associated School Boards Protective Trust-Property and Liability Fund Participation Agreement. Roll call vote-all aye, carried.

Action 20-115 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to approve the 2021-2022 Associated School Boards Protective Trust-Workers' Compensation Fund Participation Agreement. Roll call vote-all aye, carried.

Acknowledge resignation of Leola-Frederick Co-op Assistant Boys Basketball Coach Trevor

VanTilburg.

Action 20-116 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to approve addition of the FCCLA program beginning Fall 2021. All aye, carried.

Action 20-117 Motion by Achen, second by Hart to enter Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) - employee matters at 8:15 p.m. All aye, carried. Exit Marty Morlock.

President Schlosser declared Board out of Executive Session at 9:14 p.m.

Action 20-118 Motion by Nickelson, second by Achen to approve the 2021-2022 negotiated agreement. All aye, carried.

Action 20-119 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to offer 2021-2022 certified contracts. All aye, carried.

Action 20-120 Motion by Nickelson, second by Achen to offer 2021-2022 non-certified Employee Agreements. All aye, carried.

Action 20-121 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to offer 2021-2022 administrative contracts. All aye, carried.

Action 20-122 Motion by Achen, second by Nickelson to offer 2021-2022 Frederick Area coaching and extra-curricular contracts. All aye, carried.

Action 20-123 Motion by Achen, second by Ellwein to offer 2021-2022 Leola/Frederick co-op coaching contracts. All aye, carried.

Action 20-124 Motion by Hart, second by Achen to approve the bonuses of \$1,000 to all staff employed at the start of the 2020 academic year and \$500 to all school board members, for appreciation of the extra work and time put in due to COVID. All aye, carried.

Congratulations to Mr. Koters on being named the Region 2 Athletic Director of the Year by the South Dakota High School Athletic Administrators Association. Congratulations to Mr. Isaac Sumption on receiving the following basketball awards: Academic All-State, 1st Team All-Conference, Aberdeen News All-Area team, 3 Class Shootout Selection MVP and Sanford Pentagon All-Star selection. Congratulations to Sofi Lusure for receiving an All-Conference Honorable Mention for basketball.

Action 20-125 Motion by Nickelson, second by Achen to adjourn at 9:33 p.m. All aye, carried.

Rich Schlosser, President  
Janel Wagner, Business Manager

## Town of Frederick April 14, 2021 Minutes

Frederick's town board meeting was held Wednesday, April 14, 2021 in the Frederick Community Center beginning at 7:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman R. Scott Campbell, Board members Troy Millard and Jeff Koters, Finance Officer and Assistant Finance Officer Diane Bruns and Mariah Heine, and Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg. Also attending the meeting were Frederick Fire Chief Kevin Barton, Community Store Manager Amanda Hubbs, Donna Sumption, Tami Nickelson, Rich Achen, Taylor Sumption, and Bev Meyer.

Chairman Campbell opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the March meetings were read and approved with a motion by Koters/Millard; motion carried. The minutes of the February 17th special meeting were read and approved with a date change in the first para-



graph from February 10 to March 10 with a motion by Kosters/Millard; motion carried. The financial statements were reviewed and accepted with a motion by Millard/Campbell; motion carried. The April accounts payable were approved with a motion by Kosters/Millard; motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

MDU electric	
BP/Wtr/Mun Bldg/SP/Sts/Swr/EBL	\$1,382
Badger Meter meter fees Wtr	\$118.37
Bower's Tree Service tree removal	
Mun Bldg	\$600
Century Bus Products lease & copies	
Gen'l	\$90.97
Community Store supplies Mun Bldg	\$10.99
D. Bruns CC	\$134.83
D. Bruns wage FO	\$1,486.29
Dependable Sanitation Grbg	\$3,539
EFPTS taxes	
Gen'l/FO/CC/EBL/Sts/Wtr/Swr	\$1,013.44
FU Oil propane EBL	\$317.19
FDC Econ Dev	\$1,200
GDI minutes Gen'l	\$75
J. Kosters wage Gen'l	\$92.35
JC Campbell Inc insurance Gen'l	\$7,944
JVT phone/svc FO/EBL/Wtr/Gen'l	\$386.53
M. Cox wage EBL	\$684.79
M. Heine wage FO	\$1,085.20
R. Bakeberg wage St/Wtr/Swr	\$555.33
R. Bakeberg veh. Allow St/Wtr/Swr	\$75
R.S. Campbell wage Gen'l	\$207.78
SD Assoc of Rur Wtr dues Wtr	\$360

SD Dept of Rev lab tests Wtr	\$15
SD Dept of Rev sales tax Grbg	\$86.24
T. Millard wage Gen'l	\$230.87
USDA-RD loan Wtr	\$475
WEB Water Wtr	\$3,613.09
<b>WASTEWATER PROJECT</b>	
First National Bank of Frederick interest	
Wstwtr	\$3,763

**OLD BUSINESS**

Rich Bakeberg provided a utility report. Tami Nickelson discussed the upcoming recycling meeting on April 21, and discussed plans for the Midsummer on the Maple on June 26. Donna Sumption brought to attention the Welcome to Frederick sign that is fading. Heidi Marttila-Losure will recreate the design and the board will pay for two new signs from quality quick print. Motion to proceed with the approval of the replacement of the Welcome to Frederick signs for up to \$600 made by Millard/Kosters; motion carried. There is a contract being drawn up for the police protection for the area from Brown County Police Department. Justin Brotzel will be using the Community Store for an office and small parking lot for his business. Motion to approve up to 5 cars behind the Community Store and use of space in the building for his office for his car business made by Kosters/Millard; motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Amanda Hubbs, manager of the Community Store discussed future plans for the store and

discussed the possibility of having an on-sale liquor license in the future. A report was provided from DENR regarding the landfill and keeping more detailed record keeping. The board read and accepted the second reading of the annual report with a motion by Kosters/Millard; motion carried. The first quarter library report was read and accepted with a motion by Millard/Kosters; motion carried. The board discussed replacing water lines on 6<sup>th</sup> St and 4<sup>th</sup> St. The Wayside cemetery requested funds from the Wayside Cemetery Foundation. Motion to apply for grant funds for the cemetery from the Wayside Cemetery fund in the amount of \$4500 made by Millard/Kosters; motion carried. Kevin Barton of the Frederick Volunteer Fire Department asked to apply for a temporary alcohol permit on June 26<sup>th</sup> as well as to close off 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> St and Main St. Motion to approve the temporary permit for serving alcohol and closing off the street made by Campbell/Millard; motion carried. The permit and closing of the street are granted provided there are panels to protect the properties along the streets and contain the dance area and security must be provided. Rich Achen and Taylor Sumption asked about rezoning their properties as discussed in the last meeting. The board will be visiting with the Town's lawyer to see about rezoning. A citizen asked if septic tanks are allowed. If there is public sewer available, they are not allowed. If public sewer is not available, it must fit certain provisions and the property owner must get a

permit to put in a private sewer system. Motion to adjourn made by Millard/Campbell at 8:02 PM; motion carried. M. Heine, Assistant Finance Officer

**Town of Frederick  
April 19, 2021  
Special Meeting Minutes**

Frederick held a special meeting Monday, April 19, 2021 in the Frederick Community Center beginning at 12:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman R. Scott Campbell, Board members Troy Millard and Jeff Kosters, and Finance Officer and Assistant Finance Officer Diane Bruns and Mariah Heine. Chairman Campbell opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The board needs to repair water mains on 4th Street and 6th Street. They asked Dahme's to provide estimates. Motion to approve replacement of the 6th St water main in the amount of \$45,862.14 made by Millard/Kosters; motion carried. Motion to approve replacement of the 4th St water main in the amount of \$39,909.49 made by Kosters/Millard; motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Kosters/Millard at 12:12 PM; motion carried.

M. Heine, Assistant Finance Officer




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TRACK



# Track is out of the blocks

BY KASH CUTLER • FASD Journalism

The track season is in full stride as we hit the start of May. “Kids are being pushed ... If they do the workouts, that is,” said Coach Marty Morlock. Since more kids are out for track, there is more competition to do better.

In May, we have the Lake Region Conference Meet and Regions along with a handful of junior high meets. Highlights from the year so far include:

- Isaac Sumption won the 100- and 200-meter dash in the Sisseton track meet and won the 200-meter dash in the Miller track meet.
- Laura Sumption finished 1st in the 300 hurdles at the Gettysburg track meet and 3rd place in the 800-meter run at Sisseton track meet.
- Morgan Sumption was 2nd in the 1600 at the Sisseton meet.
- Milo Sumption took home 3rd place in the 1600-meter run at the Sisseton track meet.
- Hunter Bretsch got 2nd place in discus at the Sisseton track meet.
- Sofia Losure got 3rd place in the 800-meter run at the Miller track meet.

The top 24 athletes in Class B at the end of the season will qualify for the state meet. Rankings are updated at [www.athletic.net](http://www.athletic.net). Several Titans are in the top 24 as of press time, though they may have to work to stay there as competition heats up at the end of the season: Isaac Sumption (100, 200, and 400), Milo Sumption (3200), Morgan Sumption (800, 1600, and 3200), Sofia Losure (300 hurdles and high jump), and Laura



PHOTOS BY HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

**ABOVE LEFT:** Morgan Sumption fends off an attempted pass to take second place in the 1600-meter run at the Battler Invitational in Gettysburg on April 17. **ABOVE:** Brayden Sumption hands off to Mason Hinz in the 4x100 relay at the Battler Invitational in Gettysburg on April 17. The team placed seventh.



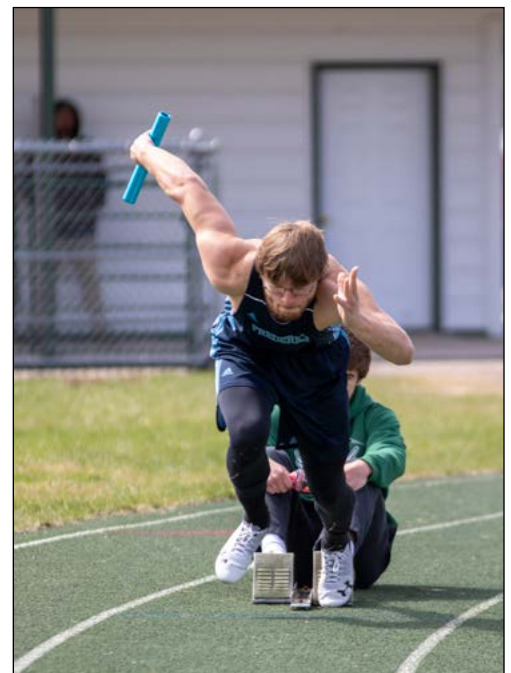
Laura Sumption, left, and Morgan Sumption, third from right, take off in the 800-meter run at the Battler Invitational in Gettysburg on April 17. Morgan finished third and Laura came in sixth in the run.

Sumption (300 hurdles), as well as four relay teams: 4x200 relay team (Jericho King, Wil Nordine, Mason Hinz, and Brayden Sumption); 4x400 relay team (King, Nordine, Hinz, and Isaac Sumption); 4x800 relay team (Levi Little, Sam Vetter, Milo Sumption, and Stephen Achen); and medley relay team (Nordine, Hinz, Isaac Sumption, and Achen).





**TOP:** Isaac Sumption starts down the home stretch of the 200-meter dash at the Patriot Invitational on April 9. He won the event. **ABOVE:** Titans hurdlers, from left, Laura Sumption, Sofia Losure and Chloe Arneson compete in the 100-meter race at the Battler Invitational in Gettysburg April 17. Losure finished fifth, Sumption finished sixth, and Arneson finished 17th in the event. **RIGHT:** Stephen Achen holds the blocks for Sam Vetter at the start of the 400-meter dash at the Redfield Relays on April 22. **BELOW RIGHT:** Wil Nordine takes off at the start of the 4x200 relay at the Patriot Invitational on April 9. **BELOW:** Milo Sumption, center, starts the 3,200-meter run at the Battler Invitational in Gettysburg on April 17. He placed fifth and got a personal record time in the event.







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**GOLF**

# The greens are waiting

BY DARIN MCGAUGH  
*FASD Journalism*

At three weeks into the season, Titan golfers were still eagerly awaiting the opportunity to hit the courses. After the first meet was canceled, a few Titans were able to get in some action April 24 at Ipswich.

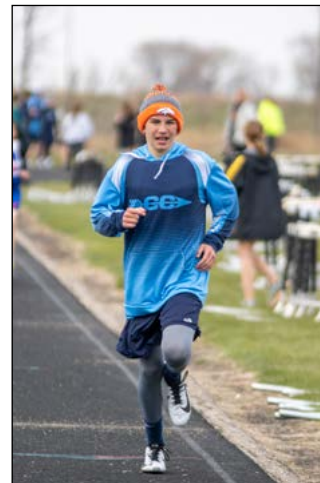
Practices have been spent hitting golf balls into the curtain on the school stage as well as playing at the Ellendale Course and Lee Park in Aberdeen. The May portion of the schedule has the golfers scheduled for five meets with Pre-Regions and Regions scheduled for May 17 and 24 at Cattail Crossing in Watertown.



PHOTOS BY JEFF KOSTERS

Darin McGaugh, left, and McKinley Kosters swing at the Ipswich golf meet April 24.

**JR HIGH TRACK**



Several junior high athletes have broken or tied Frederick Area's junior high records. Among them are, from left, Milo Sumption in the 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter runs, Gabby Millard in the 3,200-meter run (tied), Malona Cox in discus, and Winston Clark in the 1,600-meter run.

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