Morton County Commission Meeting Agenda

January 8, 2015
Commission Room, Morton County Courthouse
210 2nd Ave NW, Mandan ND
5:30 PM

Call to order
Roll Call
Approval of Agenda
Approval of minutes of previous meetings
Approve monthly bills and payroll – Commissioner Strinden

Reorganization of Board – election of Chair and Vice Chair

1. Wendy Bent/Human Resources

2. Linda Morris/Tax Director
   - Abatements for the boards consideration
   - 2015 Agricultural Land Value Increase

3. Vicki Lippert/County Treasurer
   - 2015 Depositories and Pledges of Security

4. Mike Aubol/County Engineer

5. Dawn Rhone/ County Auditor
   - Almont Rural Fire District Annexation

*ISSUES MAY BE ADDED OR DELETED BY MEETING DAY.

Please note: These are unofficial minutes and are subject to change. They will be approved and become official at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
December 30, 2014

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on December 30, 2014 at 5:30 PM by Chairman Strinden at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota. Others present were Commissioners Boehm, Schulz, Leingang and Zachmeier, Auditor Rhone, States Attorney Koppy and Assistant States Attorney Grosinger.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the minutes of December 8, 2014. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve monthly bills and payroll with the exception of the bill for jail medical services from ND Dept of Human Services. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Zachmeier seconded approve the application from Elm Crest Manor for County Economic Funds which is allowable under NDCC 11-11.1. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the agreement for jail medical services with Michelle Maier for $1,000 per month. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the agreement for jail nursing services with Dakota Travel Nurse for $4,300 per month. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to authorize participation in the NDACo Learning Management System to include 30 employees. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve the request for an exception to the Nepotism Policy from Sheriff Elect Kirchmeier and also to approve the Procedure for Oversight and Supervision. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Zachmeier seconded to set the salary for Sheriff Elect Kirchmeier at $78,000. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve Preble as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve a special use permit for a telecommunications tower in the Agricultural (A) District in the NW ¼ of Section 4 Township 139N Range 90 W with the following four conditions:

1. The tower is no greater than 260’ in height.
2. The lease area of 100’ by 100’ is in the general proximity of the area shown on the site plan presented to the County Commission.
3. The tower and equipment shed are fully enclosed by security fence.
4. All rights and existing utility easements are honored during construction and operation of the facility.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Boehm seconded to approve three special use permits for gravel pit and mineral processing use by the Morton County Highway Department in the following Agriculture (A) Districts:

1. The SE ¼ of the NE ¼ Section 28 Township 139N Range 86W
2. The SE ¼ of Section 18 Township 138N, Range 89W
3. The SW ¼ of Section 29 Township 135 N Range 83W.

With each of these permits lasting for the duration of the gravel lease agreement with Morton County and any extension or renewals of this agreement initiated by Morton County. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Schulz seconded to reconsider approval of Preble as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to approve Global Safety Network as the County Drug & Alcohol testing vendor for 2015. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to approve the 2015 Commission meeting schedule with meetings on the second Thursday and fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the sale of an unsold tax foreclosure lot (66-0552000) in New Salem to the City of New Salem for $1. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Leingang seconded to appoint the Wade Bachmeier, Jamie Wetsch and Jim Schmidt to 3 year terms (expiring on 12/31/17) on the Morton County Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to appoint Dr John Grunseth to a 5 year term (expiring 12/31/19) on the Custer Board of Health. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to appoint Gary Benz to a 3 year term (expiring 12/1/17) on the Lower Heart Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Leingang seconded to appoint Dwight Cook and Steve Maershbecker to a 5 year term (expiring 12/31/19) on the Morton County Housing Authority. All voting aye, motion carried.

Schulz moved and Boehm seconded to approve the application for submission for a Courtroom Facilities Grant. All voting aye, motion carried.

Leingang moved and Schulz seconded to approve abatements 4614-4635. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to correct the January 13, 2014 minutes to reflect a 3 year term for Tony Goetzfried on the Lower Heart Water Resource Board. All voting aye, motion carried.

The total of all county funds expended from December 9, 2014 through December 30, 2014, equals $590,403.22. A detailed list of funds expended by check is available for public inspection anytime during regular business hours at the Morton County Auditor's Office.

Boehm moved and Leingang seconded to adjourn at 6:54 PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Bruce Strinden, Chairman, Morton County Commission _____

Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor _____

DATE: 1/8/15
TO: MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FROM: LINDA MORRIS, MORTON COUNTY TAX DIRECTOR
RE: JANUARY 8, 2015 ABATEMENTS

TAX YEAR	ABATEMENT NUMBER	TYPE OF ABATEMENT	PARCEL NUMBER	ORIGINAL VALUE	OWNER	NEW VALUE	PROPERTY ADDRESS
2012	4636	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	654415000	$103,200	ROSEMORE	$103,200	4604 ROUGHRIDER CIR E MD 2012
2013	4637	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	654415000	$103,200	ROSEMORE	$103,200	4604 ROUGHRIDER CIR E MD 2013
2014	4638	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	140034000	$81,800	GROSGEBAUER	$81,800	5455 HWY 1806 MD
2014	4639	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	656101918	$186,600	JOHNSON	$186,600	4001 LITTLE HEART WAY #101 MD
2014	4640	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	656101910	$229,600	FELCH	$229,600	2800 39TH AVE SE #108 MD
2014	4641	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	653497000	$111,400	MOTL	$111,400	809 4TH AVE NE MD
2014	4642	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	651272000	$114,600	HOERNER	$114,600	102 12TH ANVE NW MD
2014	4643	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	651609000	$124,000	BERGER	$124,000	401 11TH ST NE MD
2014	4644	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	650077000	$149,600	KOPP	$149,600	717 CUSTER DR NW MD
2014	4645	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	651367000	$115,300	FAIRAIZL	$115,300	209 13TH AVE NE MD
2014	4646	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	656116345	$195,700	BENDISH	$195,700	2342 LEXI LOOP SE #2 MD
2014	4647	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	660327000	$97,100	KUNZ	$97,100	213 4TH ST S NS
2014	4648	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	080186000	$65,900	REBENITSCH	$65,900	6354 8TH AVE FR
2014	4649	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	655332000	$41,600	FETTIG	$41,600	4401 CORTEZ CIR NW MD
2014	4650	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	653861000	$64,500	MILLER	$64,500	1304 11TH AVE SE MD
2014	4651	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	652039000	$119,400	FERDERER	$119,400	1405 CENTRAL DR NW MD
2014	4652	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	654537000	$132,800	PALMER	$132,800	1406 6TH AVE NW MD
2014	4653	HOMESTEAD CREDIT	630427000	$34,300	ERHART	$34,300	312 2ND ST S GU

MORTON COUNTY

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Linda Morris | *210 2nd Ave NW* | *Phone: 701-667-3325*
Tax Director | *Mandan, North Dakota 58554* | *linda.morris@mortonnd.org*

Date: January 8, 2015
To: Morton County Commissioners
From: Linda Morris Morton County Tax Director

RE: 2015 Agricultural Land Value Increase

North Dakota State Tax Commissioners Office sent notice of the agricultural value per acre for the 2015 assessment. The State average per acre for 2015 agricultural land is $*318.26* per acre. This is an estimated increase of twelve (12%) from the State 2014 value of $ 283.91 per acre.

North Dakota Century Code §57-02-27.2 reads as follows:

"All agricultural property to be valued at ten percent of assessed value as determined pursuant to section 57-02-27.2".

In order for Morton County to be compliant with North Dakota Century Code §57-02-27.2, the 2014 agricultural land values would need a minimum increase of ***12%*** .

Recommendation:
For the 2015 agricultural land tax assessment, I am recommending a motion to approve a minimum increase of 12% to the Morton County Certified 2014 agricultural land values in accordance with North Dakota Century Code §57-02-27.2

	2014 CERTIFIED AG LAND	**2015 AG LAND WITH A 12% INCREASE***
TAXABLE VALUE	$299,934,900	$335,927,088
TOTAL ACRES	1,161,111.0	1,161,111.0
COUNTY PER ACRE	$258.32	$289.32
STATE PER ACRE	$283.91	$318.91
% OF ASSESSED VALUE	91.0%	90.7%
MUST BE WITHIN 10% OF ASSESSED VALUE	9.0%	9.3%

*Estimated 2015 values.

Pledges of Security
(As of Jan 5, 2015)

Wells Fargo I nvestment Pool	No Pledging Needed	1,012,462.67
Bremer Trust	No Pledging Needed	1,009,114.52

Wells Fargo Bank

Well Fargo Checking Acct 30-090	9,116,855.21
Wells Fargo Saving Acct 841392509	1,505,090.20
Wells Fargo CD's	3,760,318.52
Total:	**14,382,263.93**
Less FDIC Insurance	250,000.00
Total amount not covered by FDIC	**14,132,263.93**
X 110% Amount Needed for Pledges	15,545,490.32
Pledges of Security	**41,100,128.43**

Starion Financial

Certificates of Deposit: Morton County	551,979.06
Saving Account 10842113	995,413.01
Certificates of Deposit: Morton County Parks	101,119.64
Total:	**1,648,511.71**
Less FDIC Coverage	250,000.00
Total amount not covered by FDIC	**1,398,511.71**
X 110 Amount Needed for Pledges	1,538,362.88
Pledges of Security	**1,941,784.96**

Dakota Community Bank Mandan & Hebron

Certificate of Deposit: Morton County	206,368.86
Total:	**206,368.86**
FDIC Insurance	250,000.00
Total Coverage	**250,000.00**

Bank of Glen Ullin

Certificate of Deposit Morton County	250,000.00
FDIC Insurance	250,000.00
Total Coverage	**250,000.00**

Almont Rural Fire District

December 31, 2014

Morton County Commission:

To whom it Concerns,

The Almont Rural Fire District approves the annexation of the land listed in the petition to the Almont Rural Fire District.

Thank You,

Frank L. Melchior

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President Almont Rural Fire District

Petition to Annex Land into The Almont Rural Fire District

The petition is to annex the property described below into the Almont Rural Fire District. This property is already adjacent to the Almont Fire District. This petition is brought pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 18-10-11 and consists of 1 page and exhibit 1.

Petitioners: The petitioners are:

Frank Melchior, President 5275 46th Street, Almont, ND 58520
David Jacobson, Fire Chief 5247 46th Street, Almont, ND 58520

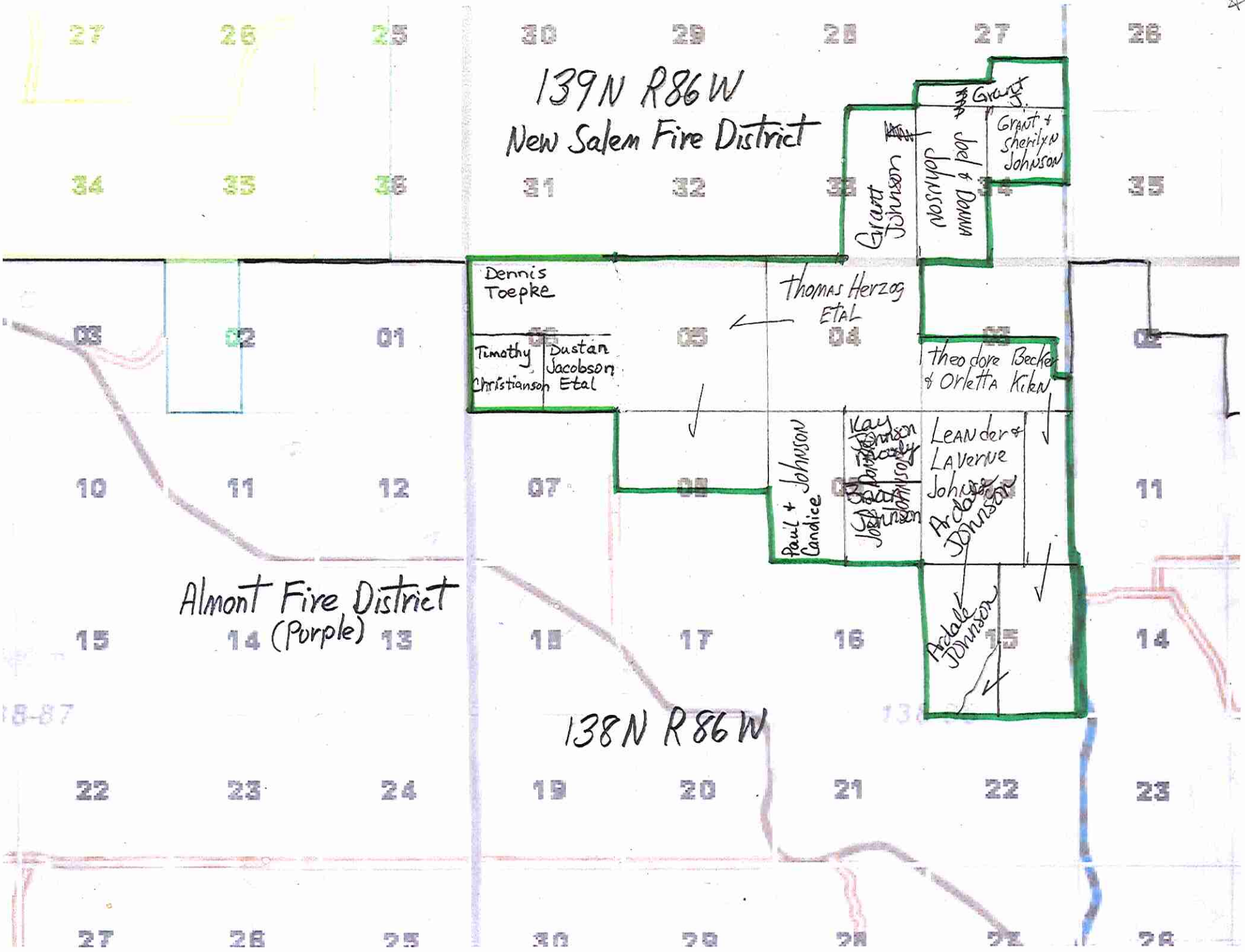
Area Included: See attached Exhibit 1. Legal descriptions are as follows and consist of approximately 5,520 acres.

Morton County:

138N-R86W: Sections: S1/2 sec.3, 4, 5, 6, N1/2 sec. 8, 9, 10, 15.
139N-R86W: Sections: N1/2 N1/2 SW1/4 sec. 27, S1/2 SE1/4 sec. 27, E1/2 sec. 33, NE 1/4 sec. 34, W1/2 sec. 34.

We the undersigned agree to have the above described property annexed into the Almont Rural Fire District.

Name	Street Address	City	Date	
1. Grant Johnson	4155 CO. Rd 86	Almont, ND 58520	8/6/14	843-8785
2. Marilyn Johnson	4155 Co. Rd. 86	Almont, ND 58520	8/7/14	701-391-2091
3. ~~Jennifer Taylor~~	~~4810 38 ave.~~	~~Mandan, ND 58~~	~~8/6/14~~	~~445-7334~~
4. ~~Tom Muschenheim~~	~~3725 Hudson~~ PLN	~~Mandan ND~~	~~8-7-14~~	~~663-2971~~
5. ~~Sylvia Johnson~~	~~4375 county Rd 86~~	~~Almont ND~~	~~843-7536~~ 8-7-14	
6. Arlale Johnson	4375 county RD86	Almont ND	843-7536 8-7-14	576-2066
7. ~~Dustan Jacobson~~	~~926 Santa Fe~~	~~Bismarck ND~~	~~8/10/14~~	
8.				
9. ~~Paul Johnson~~ Candace Hoh	5042 40th St	New Salem ND	8-10-14	
10. Joel Johnson	4145 CO. Rd. 86	ALMONT ND	8-10-14	
11. Donna Johnson	4145 Co. Rd. 86	Almont, N.D.	8-10-14	
12. ~~Theodore Zachmeier~~	~~4440 Co Rd 86~~	~~Almont ND~~	~~10 Aug 14~~	843-8173
13. ~~Collette Kadlec~~	~~4440 Co Rd 86~~	~~Almont, ND~~	~~10 Aug 14~~	843-8173
14. ~~Justin Jacobson~~	~~3401 Bobcat~~	~~Fargo, ND~~	~~11 Aug 14~~	701 280-2059
15. Dale Jacobson	208 Water Ave	Almont ND	8-16-14	843-7776
16.				


139N R86W
New Salem Fire District
Grant
Grant + Sheriyn Johnson
Sod + Dawn Johnson
Grant Johnson
Dennis Toepke
Thomas Herzog Etal
Timothy Christianson
Dustan Jacobson Etal
Theodore Becker & Orletta Kirk
Kay Johnson
Paul + Candice Johnson
Leander & LaVerne Johnson
Ardale Johnson
Almont Fire District
(Purple)
138N R86W