## Press Release

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## ALICE PEKARSKI RECEIVES "OUTSTANDING OFFICE EMPLOYEE" AWARD

Alice Pekarski, City of Montpelier, was presented the "Outstanding Office Employee" award, by the North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association (NDRWSA) at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Rural Water EXPO and Conference banquet held February 2, 2022 in Fargo. This award is given to office employees that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to promote water concerns to their communities and provide support to management and other decision makers.

Alice has been involved in the water industry since 1982 and has worked diligently for years to bring rural water to her small city and other towns in the surrounding area. In 2004, Alice became the city auditor. Area residents say, "The council is very proud of her accomplishments and the pride she takes in making local improvements. We are very proud of the accomplishments that have been brought to our small town."

Alice is very talented and plays organ at the local church. In her spare time, she teaches piano lessons to area children and adults.

The NDRWSA was formed to coordinate rural water system programs on a statewide basis. The association also provides technical, managerial and financial assistance to aid municipalities and rural water systems in complying with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the Clean Water Act.