

Fact Sheet:

1. The Frontier Village attraction will continue to be part of Jamestown. Under new management it will evolve as a new visitor experience by enhancing the historical/educational opportunities. In question are the artifacts, fixtures and buildings.
2. The Frontier Village Association (FVA), the 9 member volunteer board, has made the decision to give away, sell, and/or dispose the artifacts of Frontier Village.
3. The City has requested RFPs from any interested entity to manage the property. The Frontier Village Association has decided that this is futile and in the most recent communications will not submit a proposal. The National Buffalo Museum has submitted a letter of intent. Other entities can do so as well.
4. The Lease with the City – The land defined as the Frontier Village is owned by the City of Jamestown and the City leases it to the FVA. The buildings, playground equipment, gate, which are considered fixtures are in dispute and could already belong to the City as part of the property.
5. What does **not** belong to the Frontier Village Association: J.A. Kirkpatrick Gallery (belongs to the Arts Center), World's Largest Buffalo, the buffalo herd, and National Buffalo Museum.
6. Artifacts – Many people in the community have loaned items to the Frontier Village Association in good faith. If there is no deed of gift or receipt, you can contact the FVA board of directors to request items be returned. The City of Perham has communicated with the City of Jamestown that many of these items have already been removed and are in their possession. These items are not part of the Lease with the City of Jamestown, and thus individuals should contact the Frontier Village Association board directly.
7. Why Perham? In the October 28, 2019 article of the Perham Focus newspaper states that they were told by the FVA that the City of Jamestown was planning to tear down these buildings. That is not the case.
8. The Lawyer – Who is paying for the lawyer is uncertain. There are no minutes from previous FVA meetings stating, making a motion, or voting to hire an attorney.
9. Jamestown Tourism's relation to the Frontier Village – Jamestown Tourism helps support activities related to the Jamestown Tourism (JT) mission. *The mission being: to coordinate, promote, and support tourism growth and development in Jamestown, N.D. and the surrounding area.* At the core of the dilemma with FVA is Jamestown Tourism's desire to see the Frontier Village grow and thrive.
10. Funding – The City of Jamestown through Jamestown Tourism and the City Promotion Capital Construction Fund have provided in good faith \$639,441 to the Frontier Village Association from 2010 to 2019.

How can Jamestown citizens save these artifacts?

- If you have provided items to the Frontier Village Association, please direct questions related to those items to the FVA board of directors. Do it soon, as artifacts have already been released by the Frontier Village Association.
- On Thursday, October 24, 2019, the Frontier Village Association voted to sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets. The Board voted to delegate that authority to the manager, Nichole Mosolf.

Attached is the Frontier Village Association Board roster, please communicate directly with them.