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To whom this may concern,

I am writing due to the time change in Mercer County, A town meeting was held at the Civic Center in Beulah, N.D. on Sept. 28, 2000 at 7:30 P.M. about the time change. The people that were for Central time numbered in the 30's. The people that were for Mountain Time numbered in the 90's, a few came late, so we think it reached 100 or more.

It was this nite, that the mountain time people first heard about a petition that was, or had been out, if it would have gotten all over like it should have, mountain time would have outnumbered Central by far. Like it always does. Where was it? Mountain time people did not know where or heard of a petition.

Usually when one wants something to go thru it gets put on the Primary Election, and automatically goes on the General Election, for the final decision, why wasn't it? Mountain time people, think it was because more people vote in November than in June + Central time would have been defeated big time. We believe the Commissioners could have had a town meeting before they voted + it wouldn't have had to be brought up at all, as they would have heard which time was favored most. I could say more, but I think this says how it is with Good Ole Mountain Time.

Respectfully
Berniece M. Scheid
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Mailbox

Speak Out

Resident encourages others to attend time zone meeting

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Dear editor,

I need to voice my opinion one more time. Time is the factor I am writing about. We want to stay on mountain time. I feel as others do this should go on the November ballot.

I feel strongly that central time would be defeated. The reason is, I have talked to several farmers and others that were too busy or forgot to vote because of the busy season in June, especially for farmers.

Please, farmers and others that

couldn't get away or forgot to vote, come to the Sept. 28 meeting at the Beulah Civic Center. Help voice the

opinion on good old mountain time. I talked to Commissioners Gerald Bauman and Wayne Entze one night on the phone. Gerald Bauman said there will be town meetings.

Later I found out only one meeting will be held. I asked him if he voted no. He said, "I think I did." Next day, the Beulah Beacon came out, in there it stated he voted yes, plain as could be. So he actually lied.

Let's get to the meeting and tell

how we feel and tell the truth. Maybe even get it on the November ballot, then watch central time get defeated, as farmers aren't quite as busy in November, and remember to vote. Pace is too fast anyway, why make it go faster? I had several calls and thanks for my last letter on this.

Please, please, come to the meeting with mountain time on your minds.

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We want
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mountain
Time!
The Best
Time.

Just thought you'd like a copy of your letter to the
Editor. (good article)
From the folks
at DRC and MACHA.

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OPINION

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Cheers! to Mountain time

By BERNIECE M. SCHEID, Beulah

I am writing in response to the time zone measures that Steve Tomac had in several Bismarck Tribunes. He made a remark such as using force to those that are for Mountain time. He also stated its as hard as taking a child to the doctor to get a vaccination shot.

If this were to reverse itself and they would put the whole state of North Dakota on Mountain time, he possibly wouldn't need to use force, it could be as easy as giving candy to a child. Try it you might like it.

Mountain time should never have been changed, then no one would have to change their clocks, ahead or back.

Rod Tjaden had a good remark that Central time wouldn't be good for the Medora Musical and much more. I haven't seen anything good about Central time yet.

The pace is too fast the way it is. We have never harassed anyone on Central time, but maybe we should start.

It seems those wanting Mountain time should go on strike for it. I say Hurrah! for Mountain time, best thing there ever was, as far as I'm concerned. At least we have good ol' Mountain time a few months out of the year. Cheers! to Mountain time.

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Mercer County doesn't roll over for time change

■ Public hearing heavy
against Central Time

LAUREN DONOVAN
Bismarck Tribune

BEULAH — A squeaker majority that favored Central Time in the Mercer County primary election got way outnumbered and outvoted at a public hearing Thursday night in Beulah.

Around 120 people filled the meeting room to standing-only capacity at a session conducted by the federal Department of Transportation to get first-hand

input.

Three to one, by a show of hands, they indicated they want to keep clocks set right where they are, on Mountain Time.

Berniece Scheid of Beulah said farmers were too busy with field work to vote in June and the small majority in favor — 788 to 690 — didn't represent them.

"I believe if it were on the November ballot, it would be ruled out," she said.

One of the main reasons advanced for changing to Central Time came from school officials.

Beulah School Superintendent Wilfred Volesky and Hazen Athletic Direc-

tor Joel Wood, said students miss school to leave early for extra-curricular events in the later time zone.

Volesky said at Beulah, students in year-round activities missed as many as 20 class hours last year. Wood said he counted 51 hours school was dismissed early so kids, mainly athletes, could get to games in Central Time towns.

To a counterpoint that a time change would just get them home an hour later, one Beulah parent, Kevin Flaagen, said, "I believe time in school is more important than time in bed."

Leona Brecht of Golden Valley didn't have much patience for the schools' argument.

"When we have to cater to our outside activities, we're barking up the wrong tree. School should come first," she said.

Barb Richau of Beulah asked, "Why change it just to convenience sports players. They're going to school to learn, not play all over the state."

Another reason given for making the switch was the inconvenience of doing business across two time zones.

Richard Northrup of Beulah, an employee at Dakota Gasification Co., said people frequently miss meetings because they confuse time zones.

But Marvin Schnaidt of Beulah said, "It doesn't take a calculator to figure out

which time zone you're coming or going from."

Phyllis Zuern of Hazen asked, "Morton County backed out (after a favorable vote from rural Morton). Why can't Mercer County do the same thing?"

Petrie, DOT attorney and hearing officer, said a decision should be made sometime this winter. If the change comes, people simply won't "fall" back from Daylight Savings Time in 2001.

The Mercer County Commission petitioned the DOT for the time change after the favorable primary vote. Commissioner Wayne Entze of rural Beulah was alone among the three commissioners to vote against petitioning the DOT.

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& Gordon & Scheid agree with
Bernice M Scheid that Mountain Time
is the best and we in Mercer County
would like no change in the time.

Gordon & Scheid
