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### VELVA SCHOOL BOARD JANUARY 12, 2026 MEETING ROOM - VELVA PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Velva Public School Board met in the meeting room at 4pm on Monday January 12, 2026. Vice President Harden called the meeting to order at 4:00pm Board members Selzler, Haskins, Harden, Kasowski were in attendance. Also present were Monty Mayer, Kelly Mogen, Skyler Helseth. Vice President Harden was asked to lead the meeting as President Selzler was in attendance via Zoom.

VP Harden called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

There was a motion to approve the agenda by Haskins with a 2nd from Colby. Motion carried. There were no community speakers or student/staff recognition.

There was a motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Haskins with a 2nd by Kasowski. Motion carried. Agenda to include the December regular meeting minutes, High school and Superintendent reports. As well as the December bills and reports to include the following funds:

Activity: check #'s 31417-31485 \$45,145.39 voided checks #31472-31478.

General: check #'s 31677-31715 \$207,409.25 Auto # 227801462,1463, 1469, 1470 \$16,068.53.

Payroll: check #'s 133957-966 \$9,369.30 DD#'s 227802087-2239 \$244,840.71 Auto #'s 227801461-01468 Total \$153,394.09. Building: Check auto pay # 1 total \$160.56. School lunch: check #'s 9209-9212 \$3845.83 ACH #6 & 7 \$10,422.02. Sinking and Interest: Check # 1040 total \$825.00.

Mr Mayer provided information on the football field surface. Conversation was held on the request from Drake-Anamoose for a co-op for basketball to begin the 26-27 season. There will be a meeting for the community at 4:45pm on January 29, 2026.

The School Calendar committee met and discussed possibilities for the 26-27 school year, Committee members are Haskins, Colby, Mr. Mayer, Mr. Mack, Mrs. Cadwell, Mrs. Mogen, Ms. Dockter.

FY 24-25 audit was discussed and documents were handed out to the board. The board will review and bring to the February meeting.

The newly appointed ND State Superintendent Levi Bachmeier visited on January 9th, 2026. He visited classrooms, held discussions with students, and met with community members.

The Student First Governance will take the place of the BeLegendary Program. Discussion was held to not renew the program as there are no grants available for this new program

as there were for BeLegendary. The board will discuss at a later date.

Policy ACEA that was adopted in July of 2021 with exhibits E1-E5 were re-discussed per board request. There was a motion by Colby and a 2nd by Haskins to have the exhibits available on the school website. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, February 16th at 4pm in the meeting room.

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### VELVA PUBLIC SCHOOL PUBLIC FORUM AND DISCUSSION WITH THE BOARD VELVA PUBLIC SCHOOL MEETING ROOM JANUARY 29, 2026 4:45PM

4:45 President Selzler called to order. Pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Members in attendance were President Selzler, Kasowski, Harden, and Colby. Harden made a motion to approve the agenda with a 2nd from Kasowski.

Mr. Mayer opened the forum with opening remarks in regards to the Co-Op request from Drake-Anamoose Public School for Girls and Boys Basketball for the 2026-2027 season.

Drake-Anamoose will vote on the co-op on February 3rd at their meeting and the VPS school board will discuss the outcome at the regular board meeting on February 16th.

Selzler closed the discussion with final remarks that there will be no decisions made until the meeting on the 16th. 5:40pm meeting ended.

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#### NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE:

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have a candidate's name printed on the ballot for the **City of Velva is April 6, 2026, by 4:00pm (CDT)**. The following city offices are up for election: City Commission President (1-position); City Commissioner (2 positions) – 4-year term(s); Park Board Member (2 positions) – 4-year term(s). A candidate for a city office must turn in a completed SFN 2074 Petition/Certification of Nomination and a completed SFN 10172 Statement of Interest to the City Auditor by the above deadline date and time. \*(All forms are available from either the City Auditor's office located at 101 1st Street West or can be obtained online at: <http://www.nd.gov/sos/electvote/elections/forms.html>).

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### VELVA REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2026 6:00PM AT VELVA CITY HALL

The regular meeting of the Velva City Commission was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Commission President Mike Schreiner. The Pledge of Allegiance

was recited. Roll Call: Mike Schreiner – Commission President, Street/Finance, Dave Keller – Vice President, Police Commissioner (including Cemetery oversight), Mary Liz Davis – Police/Finance Commissioner, Ben Zietz – Water/Sewer Commissioner, Gene Jenson – Streets/Improvements Commissioner (including Cemetery oversight), Jenny Johns – City Auditor, Emma Lavachek – Ackerman-Estfold, Heather Tudor – Velva Area Voice, David Florey – McHenry County Sheriff's Department.

\*Motion: Keller/Jenson, to approve the minutes from the January 20th regular meeting and January 28th special meeting. R/C: All ayes. M/c.

\*Motion: Jenson moved, seconded by Davis, to approve the bills paid and to be paid in the amount of \$67,574.65, and payroll in the amount of \$25,992.07. R/C: All ayes. M/c. (AbsoluteComfort 215, Ackerman 995, AutoValue 425.57, BAGllc 663.53, Circle Control 26350.02, Circle San 7623.12, Enerbase 1030.69, 1stDistrict 60, Hartford 1318, Hawkins 50, McGee 1025, Morellis 76.20, MouseRiver 709.95, ND Sewage/pump 1805, NSCCU 1124.16, Ottetail 4584.70, Pjemtrud 450, SPrellwitz 133.10, SignSolutions 99.50, SRT 563.28, Sundre 4141.65, TeamLab 5112, VCDC 3240.89, Velva Library 3240.89, Verizon 250).

President / Finance Schreiner clarified the AED battery replacement process, stating the Velva Fire Department gaming will be paying for the replacement pads every two years. -Schreiner asked the commission to think of ways to establish an ordinance that can be more successfully enforced to abate nuisance properties in town. Schreiner asked if anyone would be interested in attending the March Madness/NDLC convention in March in Dickinson; sign up with Johns if you would like to go.

Schreiner presented a liquor license application submitted by Iron & Ember, LLC for the property located at 510 Highway 52 West, for both on & off sale. Davis/Jenson made a motion to approve the liquor license application as presented. R/C: All – aye; m/c.

Johns shared the "notice of filing deadline" for any candidate wishing to run for a city office as April 6, 2026 by 4:00pm to the City Auditor's office.

Johns presented an email received by an HDR engineer representative for the Highway 41 bridge project. They are asking if March 9th or 12th would work better for a preconstruction meeting. Commission concurred to recommend Monday, March 9th.

Davis: no business to discuss.

Keller discussed the bridge project and asked for more signage and using the best location for the blinking light. The commission concurred to ask during the preconstruction meeting.

Zietz asked for an update on the elevator on the west side of the underpass. Johns stated she is still waiting to hear back from CP Rail as to who is currently leasing the property, as they were unsure. Johns will call again tomorrow.

Jenson: no business to discuss.

\*Engineer Lavachek gave a rundown on the items for Velva she has taken care of, including lead service line inventory funding. Lavachek has Velva on the list for the 66% loan forgiveness grant being offered by the NDDEQ. Lavachek ran quick numbers, and worst-case scenario has costs totaling over 2.5 million dollars. 155 residents have yet to respond to the lead line inventory project, and 421 unknown public service lines. Deadline for reporting to the NDDEQ will be November of 2027; at that time the city will need to have a plan in place to replace lead lines. Johns stated that Public Works Jemtrud plans to help identify the 155 residents who have yet to respond. Lavachek will get Johns an updated map and spreadsheet.

Schreiner presented the 2nd reading of ordinance change no. 2026-01 Sec. 12-6 Floodplain Management. Davis/Jenson made a motion to approve the 2nd reading of ordinance change no. 2026-01 Sec. 12-6 Floodplain

management. R/C: Davis, Keller, Schreiner, Jenson – aye; Zietz – nay; m/c.

\*One complaint form was submitted, for a dog at large at the Dietrich/Erdman residence, chasing another resident whilst out jogging.

There being no further business, President Schreiner adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. The next regular City Commission Meeting will be held on Monday, March 16th, at 6:00 p.m. Agenda requests must be submitted by Thursday at noon prior to the meeting. Minutes are subject to amendment and approval.

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### COTTONWOOD LAKE TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Cottonwood Lake Township will have its annual meeting on March 9 at 2pm at the Roger and Sherry Myers' home. 2/26-3/05/2026

NORTH PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP  
North Prairie Township will hold its annual meeting at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at the home of the township clerk, Mike Morey.

Mike Morey, Clerk  
2/26-3/05/2026

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