

ELECTION COVERAGE

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA		MCINTOSH COUNTY	
CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026			
ATTENTION! READ BEFORE VOTING POLITICAL PARTY BALLOT			
In a Political Party Primary Election, you may only vote for the candidates of one political party. This ballot contains two political parties; one in each section. If you vote in more than one political party's section, your Political Party Ballot will be rejected; however, all votes on the No Party and Measures Ballots will still be counted.			
To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (●) next to the name of that candidate. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, you must darken the oval (●) next to the blank line provided and write that person's name on the blank line.			
REPUBLICAN		DEMOCRATIC-NPL	
Representative in Congress Vote for no more than ONE name		Representative in Congress Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Julie Fedorchak		○ Trygve Hammer	
○ Alex Balazs		○ _____	
○ _____		○ _____	
Secretary of State Vote for no more than ONE name		Secretary of State Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Michael Howe		○ Ryan Braunberger	
○ _____		○ _____	
Attorney General Vote for no more than ONE name		Attorney General Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Drew Wrigley		○ Tim Lamb	
○ _____		○ _____	
Agriculture Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name		Agriculture Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Doug Goehring		○ Vern Thompson	
○ _____		○ _____	
Public Service Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name		Public Service Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Sheri Haugen-Hoffart		○ John M Pederson	
○ Deven Styczynski		○ _____	
○ _____		○ _____	
Public Service Commissioner Unexpired 2-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name		Public Service Commissioner Unexpired 2-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Chris Olson		○ Scot Kelsh	
○ Jill Kringstad		○ _____	
○ _____		○ _____	
Tax Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name		Tax Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Brian Kroshus		○ Mark Nelson	
○ _____		○ _____	
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NOTICE: You may only vote in one political party's section.			
Official Ballot MCINTOSH COUNTY June 9, 2026		Election Official Initials	
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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA		MCINTOSH COUNTY	
NO-PARTY PRIMARY BALLOT		NO-PARTY PRIMARY BALLOT	
To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (●) next to the name of that candidate.		County Official Newspaper Vote for no more than ONE name	
To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, you must darken the oval (●) next to the blank line provided and write that person's name on the blank line.		○ McIntosh County Star & Tribune	
Superintendent of Public Instruction Unexpired 2-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name		Mayor Zealand City Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Charles Tuttle		○ Erich Schock	
○ Tracy Layne Foss		○ Wilbur Zimmerman	
○ Levi Bachmeier		○ _____	
○ _____		Mayor Wishek Vote for no more than ONE name	
Justice of the Supreme Court Vote for no more than ONE name		○ Chris Opsahl	
○ Ariston E Johnson		○ _____	
○ Jerod Tuft		Mayor Zealand City Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ _____		○ Pius Lacher Jr	
Justice of the Supreme Court Unexpired 8-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name		Council Member Lehr Vote for no more than TWO names	
○ Douglas A Bahr		○ Lexie Dallman	
○ _____		○ Dawn Dallman	
Judge of the District Court No. 1 Unexpired 4-Year Term Southeast Judicial District Vote for no more than ONE name		○ _____	
○ James T Shockman		Council Member Ashley Vote for no more than THREE names	
○ _____		○ Todd Dohn	
County Commissioner Vote for no more than TWO names		○ Alfred Schumacher	
○ Travis Schnabel		○ _____	
○ Jim Heinrich		○ _____	
○ Neil Meidinger		Council Member Ashley Vote for no more than THREE names	
○ _____		○ Steven Thompson	
County Auditor Vote for no more than ONE name		○ Maggie Newhouse	
○ Gina Ketterling		○ _____	
○ _____		Council Member Wishek Vote for no more than THREE names	
County State's Attorney Vote for no more than ONE name		○ Whitney Lipp	
○ Alisha Ankers		○ _____	
○ Elise Fischer		○ _____	
○ Gordon A Dexheimer		Council Member Lehr Unexpired 2-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ _____		○ Kaden Bader	
County Recorder/Clerk of District Court Vote for no more than ONE name		Council Member Wishek Unexpired 2-Year Term Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ Eva Becker		○ Gregory Salwei	
○ _____		○ _____	
County Treasurer Vote for no more than ONE name		Municipal Judge Ashley Vote for no more than ONE name	
○ _____		○ _____	
County Sheriff Vote for no more than ONE name		○ _____	
○ Steven C Delzer		○ _____	
○ Andrew Tunheim		○ _____	
○ _____		MEASURES BALLOT	
Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.		Constitutional Measure No. 1 (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)	
		This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment to be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment is summarized as follows: constitutional amendments would be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.	
		The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.	
		○ Yes - Means you approve the measure summarized above.	
		○ No - Means you reject the measure summarized above.	
VOTE BOTH SIDES			
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JDA from front: Daycare, seed cleaning among applications approved

monthly meeting. Members received applications from various businesses for assistance. They agreed to lease the daycare building to Kaitlyn (Hoggarth) Weber for Lil Badger Daycare. She will re-open the daycare that was renovated. It's hoped she will begin to receive children the week of June 29.

The JDA also heard from Corey Welk. He would like to start a seed cleaning business. He bought the former Nelson Elevator in 2024.

Farmers can bring in grain to be cleaned for seed to be planted. He hopes to be operational by June 1.

JDA President Daryl Kase-man said, "it's a great service to provide," before the application was accepted.

Vetter's Detailing resubmitted their application for a mobile cleaning unit and new machinery. It was accepted as well as the operating expansion project that Martell's Hardware Store is doing. It was noted that Martell's True Value and Lumber voluntarily contribute to the tax base despite their location being out of town.

MEASURES BALLOT	
Wishek City Measure No. 01	
Shall the City of Wishek amend its Home Rule Charter to change the allocation of tax proceeds for four years (2027, 2028, 2029, 2030) as follows: 20% to the Wishek Park Board for deposit in the general fund to be used by said entity for any purpose authorized under law and the governing documents thereof; 40% to the Wishek Park Board for deposit in the pool fund and used for the construction, operation, and/or maintenance of a swimming pool located at the Wishek Municipal Park; 15% to the Job Development Authority for the City of Wishek to be used by said entity for any purpose authorized under law; and 25% to the City of Wishek for deposit in the city's general fund to be used by said entity for any purpose authorized under law and the governing documents thereof, all or some of which percentage may be reallocated to the Job Development Authority and/or the Wishek Park Board via motion of the city council no more frequently than once per quarter.	
○ Yes - Means you approve the measure summarized above.	
○ No - Means you reject the measure summarized above.	

New LED lighting installed at County Museum ahead of Memorial Day

by Paula Patterson

The McIntosh County Museum is getting a brighter look this spring after the installation of new LED lighting throughout the building, replacing fixtures that had been in place since 1977.

The project was completed by Salzer Electric, with Vaughn Salzer and assistant Larry Meidinger handling the work. Museum volunteers covered and protected artifacts during the installation to ensure the collection remained safe.

The Historical Society expressed appreciation to the donors who made the upgrade possible, including the Ashley Lions, Orsted Wind Farm, and MDU. The new lighting is expected to improve visibility for visitors and better showcase the museum's extensive German-Russian heritage displays.

With the lighting project complete, volunteers are now needed to help clean and prepare the museum for Memorial Day weekend, when the

building traditionally sees an increase in visitors. Additional work is also underway in the Heritage buildings as part of ongoing preservation efforts.

The Historical Society encourages community members to support the museum through volunteer time or donations, noting that local involvement is essential to maintaining and sharing McIntosh County's history.

Prairie Bible Camp gears up for Summer 2026 "Walking in Christ" theme

by Paula Patterson

With summer fast approaching, Prairie Bible Camp in Lehr is counting down the days until campers return to the prairie. The longtime Christian youth camp announced it is opening its 2026 season — and this year's theme, "Walking in Christ," sets the tone for a week centered on faith, growth, and connection.

leading to the cross and rooted in Christ — reflects the camp's mission to help young people deepen their spiritual foundation while learning to walk out their faith in everyday life. Organizers say the message will be woven throughout worship, lessons, and activities during the week.

To help streamline the first-day check-in process, Prairie

Bible Camp is encouraging families to complete a pre-registration form ahead of time. The form, available on the camp's Facebook page and website, can be submitted by email or mailed directly to the camp.

Camp leaders say early registration not only speeds up

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