



**ELECTION NEWS**

# Unofficial school board election results

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Board Member- 3-year term, At Large (3 open positions):

Both schools in Steele County reported the unofficial results after the election on Tuesday, June 9, 2026.

The "\*" symbol reflects the elected person(s) or vote outcome.

**Finley-Sharon School Board Member - 3-year term, At Large (2 positions open):**

\*Chris Grandalen - 94 votes

\*Ryan Braaten - 82 votes  
Kellie Noyes - 20 votes  
Write-in  
Carissa Morman - 1 vote

**Hope-Page School**

\*Eric Parkman -111  
\*Brooke Lipetzky- 104  
\*Katie Hashbarger- 96  
Write-ins  
Cindy Hiam - 13  
Andrew Hemmah- 5  
Jeri Anne Lark -2  
Elisha Washburn- 2  
Luke Erickson- 2  
Chris Erickson- 2  
Lindsay Satrom -1  
Trevor McCullough - 1  
Bill Satrom -1

Publishing School Board minutes (two years)

\*In favor - 108  
Against - 11

**NEWSCAPSULES**

**FINLEY SENIOR MENU**

Call one day in advance by 2 p.m. Monday through Friday to reserve a meal. All meals include 8 ounces 1% milk. For Monday, call by 2 p.m. 1-800-845-1715.

**VETERAN SERVICES**

For veteran transportation contact Myron Brager at 701-789-0308.

For veteran claims and questions contact Steele County Veterans Service Officer, Dennis Kubischta.

He can be contacted at 701-789-0686. The VSO office is located on the third floor of the courthouse.

**FINLEY BOOK CLUB**

The Finley Book Club meets at the Finley Library at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. The book for July 8 is "The Only Way Home" by Jeanette Minniti. The book for August 12 is "The Vengeance of Mothers" by Jim Fergus. A list of books we will be reading in 2026 is on the bulletin board inside the library entry - help yourself. All are welcome to join the Finley Book Club.

**FINLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The library will be open Thursday evenings 5 - 6:30 p.m. Friday hours are 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Check us out on Facebook.

**RHUBARB DAY AT THE STEELE COUNTY MUSEUM**

Rhubarb Day at the Steele County Museum is on Wednesday, June 24 from 2 -7 p.m. There will be a presentation about aprons at 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. You are welcome to bring your favorite apron or story about aprons.

**HOPE LIBRARY**

Open the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Please contact a board member- Diane Jacobson, Susan Bellon, Shanda Warren or Leigh Gunkel if you want to use the library at a different time.

**BONE BUILDERS EXERCISE GROUP**

The Bone Builders meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Finley Wellness Center (City Auditorium). Classes run from 9 - 10 a.m.

**VACCINATIONS FOR INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADULTS ARE AVAILABLE**

Steele County Public Health, Finley Courthouse - by appt., 701.524.2060  
Eligibility based on insurance status and vaccine availability may vary. If uninsured, you may be eligible for state-supplied vaccine. Please call ahead and have insurance information available.

**SUICIDE HOTLINE AVAILABLE 24/7**

Are you worried that someone you know may be thinking about suicide and don't know how to help? The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), is available 24-hours a day to speak with a call specialist.

**HOSPICE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP IN MAYVILLE**

Hospice of the Red River Valley offers a free ongoing grief support group for adults 18 years and older who have experienced a loss through death. There is a group that meets the third Wednesday of each month from 1:00-2:30 p.m. at Luther Memorial Home; 750 Main St. E., Mayville, ND 58257 (in chapel area). Groups are facilitated by professionals who provide education, practical advice and support. Support groups are free and open to the public. For more information or questions, call (800) 237-4629 and ask to speak to the grief support department.

**CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSPAPER STAFF**

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## Finley-Sharon School Board Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 22, 2026  
7:00 a.m.  
High School Library

Call to order  
Voluntary recitation of the pledge of allegiance  
Confirmation of agenda

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of Minutes  
Consideration of Bills  
Financial Reports  
Communications

**Committee Reports**

Audit/Finance  
Building/Grounds  
Activities  
Curriculum/Technology  
Human Resources  
Policy  
President  
Superintendent/Elementary Principal  
Secondary Principal/Athletic Director  
Old Business

New Business  
Canvassing School Board Election  
Special Reserve Fund  
Budget Amendment  
Schedule FY 2027 School Board Meeting dates & times  
Teacher Resignation  
Consolidated Application  
Public Comment  
Adjournment

**Election from Page 1**

the General Election, other races were decided. Below are the local county and city results, along with the outcomes of the two measures on the ballot. The "\*" symbol reflects the elected person(s) or vote outcome.

**County Commissioner - District 1**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Brandon Oxtan	79	100%

**County Commissioner - District 3**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Perry Brown	84	97.67%
Write-in	2	2.33%

**County Commissioner - District 5**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Chris Grandalen	53	94.64%
Write-in	3	5.36%

**County Auditor**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Jana Flaten	376	99.47%
Write-in	2	0.53%

**County Treasurer**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Sady Verke	360	100%

**County Sheriff**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Wayne Beckman	373	96.88%
Write-in	12	3.12%

**County Official Newspaper**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Steele County Press	373	100%

**Luverne - City Council (Two Positions)**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Alan Leadbetter	9	56.25%
Henry Davis	1	6.25%
Write-in	6	37.5%
*Craig Anderson	4	

**Sharon - City Council**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Kathleen Sundeen	11	84.62%
Write-in	2	15.38%

**Finley - Mayor**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Brian Tuite	66	90.41%
Write-in	7	9.59%

**Finley - City Council (Two Positions)**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Merle Ferry	75	52.45%
*Stephanie Stein	63	44.06%
Write-in	5	3.5%

**Finley - Park Board (Three Positions)**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Chad Aberle	76	34.86%
*Paul Kroeplin	76	34.86%
*Daniel Aberle	61	27.98%
Write-in	5	2.29%

**Hope - Mayor**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Darci McCullough	68	90%
Aaron Reamer	10	11.76%
Write-in	7	8.24%

**Hope - City Council (Two Positions)**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Jeff Schuety	85	55.19%
*Scott Erickson	53	34.42%
Write-in	16	10.39%

**Hope - Park Board (Two Positions)**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Parker Olsstad	78	47.27%
*Cammie Brown	51	30.91%
Cheyenne Reamer	31	18.79%
Write-in	5	3.03%

**School Board - MPCG**

Zones 3&4 - Rural Mayville	Votes	Percent
Write-in	6	100
*Kelly Osland		

**Zones 6&7 - City of Mayville**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Tammie Parker	24	100%

**Zones 8&9**

Candidate	Votes	Percent
*Kayla Elliot	24	96%
Write-in	1	4%

**Constitutional Measure No. 1**

Relating to constitutional amendments being limited to a single subject.

Result	Votes	Percent
*Yes	282	74.41%
No	97	25.59%

Statewide Result: Measure No. 1 passed with 77,072 "Yes" votes (66.43%).

The results of the legislative, judicial and state races can be found at the North Dakota Secretary of State election website at results.nd.sos.nd.gov. The General Election will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026.

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