

Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings kicked off their Organized Team Activities (OTAs) last week, and even though they are voluntary, nearly every member of the team was present and accounted for. There are some big story lines to follow, starting with the quarterback position, and we'll get into that shortly.

However, the big news coming out of Minnesota is that the Vikings finally hired their new GM, nabbing Nolan Teasley, the Seahawks' Assistant General Manager who is coming off a Super Bowl victory. It's been reported that Rob Bryzinski will go back to the operations side after acting as the interim GM this offseason.

If you recall, Kwesi Adofo-Mensah was fired nearly a month after the season ended, and the Wilfs decided to postpone the GM search until after the draft. It was unorthodox timing, but it might end up being a blessing in disguise for Teasley. Most GMs are hired and immediately scramble to get ready for a free agency period and draft that's right around the corner. Teasley, on the other hand, will have plenty of time to properly evaluate the roster and coordinate with the coaching staff.

One of the things we see in football is teams hiring someone who is the opposite of the person they are replacing. This GM hire is no different. Kwesi was an analytics guy who came from a stock-trading background rather than a football one. Teasley, on the other hand, played football at Central Washington and got his start in the NFL as an intern in 2013, making his way up through the scouting ranks.

The juxtaposition between the Vikings and Seahawks in recent years can't be ignored.

- Kwesi decided against bringing back Sam Darnold, then watched him go to Seattle and lead them to a Super Bowl victory.

- Kwesi made 28 draft selections from 2022-2025, and none of those players have made the Pro Bowl. The Seahawks, on the other hand, had six Pro Bowl selections and a First-Team All-Pro in that same time frame.

- The Vikings didn't win a playoff game during Kwesi's tenure. The Seahawks are coming off a Super Bowl victory.

Ultimately, the goal of every GM is to put together a roster and



staff that can win a Super Bowl. Kwesi just wasn't getting it done. Now it's Teasley's turn to try and bring that ever-elusive Super Bowl trophy to the land of 10,000 lakes.

News and Notes
The Vikings signed wide receiver Jauan Jennings, who had spent the last five years in San Francisco. Unlike Justin Jefferson and Jordan Addison, Jennings is a big-bodied WR who can bully defenders and block in the run game. He instantly comes in as the WR3 and gives the Vikings flexibility in their play calling.

Like I mentioned earlier, the Vikings have kicked off OTAs. The single biggest story I'll be watching closely is the quarterback competition. J.J. McCarthy, the 10th overall pick in the 2024 draft, will be competing with newly acquired Kyler Murray, the 1st overall pick in 2019. Early indication is that Murray looks significantly better so far.

One thing that really stood out to me was the difference in how each QB handled their press conferences. Kyler was calm and confident. J.J. was frazzled. Even though McCarthy was saying the right things, it was clear that the pressure was starting to get to him. I highly encourage you to check out both press conferences on the Vikings' YouTube channel.

Another big story I'll be keeping my eye on is the roster construction. Many of the Vikings cuts this offseason were given a post-June designation, which allowed the Vikings to spread out the dead cap. Now that June is here, some cap space will become available, which the new GM can use to bring in players to round out the roster. I wouldn't be surprised to see the Vikings bring in someone to compete at center, as well as a player or two for the defensive backfield.

Just Joyce

Hello Readers,

Crazy wind this past week. Saturday Trice and I went over to Jeanne and Greg's for branding day. Greg had plenty of help, so Trice, Jeanne, I, Melissa, Hannah, Danny and the kids stayed behind and got the food ready for the branding crew. Thank goodness we didn't go, because lordy, when the branding crew came back to the shop, they all looked like they got into a dirt fight with the cattle. Ugh! It was so windy and dusty out there. I found out that Teasha was the boss lady...not Greg. Lol!

The branding crew consisted of Teasha (the boss), Greg, Mitchell, Tanner, Michael, Brady, Trevor. Darren and Miss Kayla. Job well done! Knock knock. Who's there? Tank. Tank who? You're welcome! Swap your mop and bucket for a steam vacuum.

Hey Cuz Carleen, love you all!
Hey Don and Brenda, love you all too!

Area News
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Saturday night Nancy Bittner, Dorinda Opp, June Opp, Darwin and Julie Gutknecht and Bruce Opp enjoyed supper together.

Sunday afternoon visitors at the June Opp home were Dorinda Opp, Nancy Bittner, Julie Gutknecht and Ronda Maershecker.

Glen Ullin Public Transportation Schedule

The Glen Ullin Transportation bus, is public transportation, and any age person may ride.

In June the City bus will go to Bismarck/Mandan June 10, 17, 24.

The bus will start picking up at 8:00 a.m., unless otherwise notified and a \$10.00 fee is charged for the trip. It is best if possible to make your appointments between 9 and 12. It does not always work but is appreciated.

Please call Myron at 701-880-8256 to schedule a ride and reserve your seat on the bus. It is recommended to call by 1 p.m. on the Tuesday to get on the Wednesday bus.

The bus is available for all ages to ride.

Public Notice Morton County Commission Minutes

MORTON COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING April 28, 2026

The Morton County Commission Regular Meeting was called to order on April 28, 2026 at 5:30 PM by Chair Boehm at the Morton County Courthouse, 210 Second Avenue NW, Mandan, North Dakota.

Others present were Commissioners Buckley, Tokach and Morrell and Auditor Rhone. Commissioner Zachmeier was present virtually. Also present was States Attorney Koppy.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2026 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Zachmeier moved and Boehm seconded to approve bills and payroll. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the refunds for the Primary Residence Credits for the 2025 Mobile Homes. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to deny refunding building permit 26-18. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatement #7209. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve abatements #7210-7213. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatements #7214-7221. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to accept the low bid from Midwest Contracting LLC in the amount of \$939,370.25 for replacement of Bridge 30-114-08.0. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Morrell seconded to approve the payment of \$3,900 for temporary construction easements, permanent drainage easement and permanent right of way for Sweet Briar Bridge #30-145 11.1. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and seconded to approve a Special Use Permit to allow scoria mining from the designated area within S½ Section 2, Township 138N, Range 89W, as the site is in close proximity to highway being improved and is not in conflict with neigh-

boring land uses, with the following conditions:

1) Hours of operation will be limited to 7am to 8pm.

2) The maximum amount of material that may be removed in any given year is 16,000 cubic yards.

3) Applicant will control dust as directed by the County Engineer.

All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve the final plat of the short-form subdivision known as White Oak Ranch Subdivision and a zoning map amendment from Agricultural to Residential, as the subdivision conforms to the regulations established in Article 7 of the Morton County Land Use Code and the use is adequately distanced from neighboring residential properties. All voting aye, motion carried.

Buckley moved and Tokach seconded to approve the final plat of the long-form subdivision, known as Tokach Timberhaven Fourth Subdivision, and a zoning map amendment from Agricultural and Residential to Estate District, as the proposed subdivision reduces the overall zoning non-conformity of the subject properties. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve Lot 1 to be rezoned to Residential if and when the lot owner is granted official permission from FEMA to remove the entire lot, or a portion of the lot, from the special flood hazard area, such that there is adequate room for a residential structure to be built entirely outside the special flood hazard area. All voting aye, motion carried.

Public Comment period as required by NDCC 44-04-20.1 was opened at 7:26PM. There was no public comment and comment period was closed at 7:26PM.

The total of all county funds expended from April 10, 2026 through April 28, 2026 equals \$12,443,841.35.

A detailed list of funds expended by check is available for public inspection anytime during regular business hours at the Morton County Auditor's Office.

Chair Boehm adjourned the meeting at 7:01PM.

Nathan Boehm, Chairman,
Morton County Commission
Dawn R Rhone, County Auditor

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Others present were Commissioners Zachmeier, Buckley, Tokach and Morrell and Auditor Rhone. Also present was States Attorney Koppy.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve the agenda/wadditions. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Buckley seconded to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2026 regular meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Boehm moved and Morrell seconded to approve bills and payroll. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Tokach seconded to approve abatements #7222-7223. All voting aye, motion carried.

Morrell moved and Buckley seconded to approve abatements #7224-7225. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve abatements #7226-7227. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tokach moved and Morrell seconded to approve the sales agreement between KG3 Land Management LLP and Morton County, North Dakota for the real property described as Township 137, Range 85, Morton County, North Dakota, NWQuarter, including all mineral resources for a sum of \$1,250,300. Roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried.

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Chair Boehm adjourned the meeting at 7:27PM.

Nathan Boehm, Chairman, Morton County Commissioner
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