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nant people, infants, (both Formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. The City of Bowman is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing in your home.

Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using filter, certified by an American national Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly.

Use only cold water for drinking, cooking and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using the tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Bill Mason and/or Steven Ness Water Department at 701.523.5771. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

Thank you for allowing us to provide your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements sometimes require rate structure adjustments. Please call City Hall at 701.523.3309 if you have questions.

The CITY OF BOWMAN works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. This report is available at City Hall or can be viewed at: www.bowmannnd.com/cities/city-of-bowman/

Lead Service Line Inventory Information

USEP A has recently published Lead and Cooper Rule Revision. The purpose of this revision is to strengthen public health protections by removing lead service lines within public water systems.

One requirement of this rule revision was to inventory all drinking water service lines with our public water system and notify consumers which type of line serves each property. You may have recently received a letter from our system with this information.

The inventory is a listing of all service lines and the material composition of each line. The types of lines being documented are Lead lines Galvanized Requiring Replacement (GRR) and lines made of unknown material. Classification of a service line as being comprised of unknown service line material indicates that our system cannot currently confirm the material of both the public and private portions of the line with written records. Non-lead lines were also documented; however, we were not required to notify consumers with documented nonlead lines. The classification of the type of service line serving a residence was based on historical data regarding the property and in some cases verification of the type of material on the privately owned side of the line by visual inspection or replacement records of the owner.

The current Service Line Inventory for our system has been complete and is available for viewing at City Hall. Please contact the City of Bowman at 701.523.3309 if you have any questions.

Fluoride Information
Fluoride in drinking water at >2.0 ppm which is half the MCL of 4.0 ppm, may

cause mottling of children's teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling, also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or mottling of the teeth, and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.

Abbreviations

ppb -parts per billion or micrograms per liter; **ppm** -parts per million or milligrams per liter; **ppt** - part per trillion or nanograms per liter; **ppq**-parts per quadrillion or picograms per liter; **NA** - not applicable; **ND** - none detected; **umho/cm** =micromhos per centimeter (a measure of conductivity); **obsvns**=observations/field at 100 Power, **IDSE**= initial distribution system evaluation; **pCi/L** ~ **picocuries per liter** (measure of the radioactivity in water)

MCL ~ **Maximum Contaminant Level** is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG ~ **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal** is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MRDL ~ **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level** is the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG ~ **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal** is the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Range of Detections ~ is the detection of the lowest to highest result value recorded during the required monitoring timeframe for systems with multiple entry points.

Highest Compliance Level ~ The highest level of the contaminant used to determine compliance with a National Primary Drinking Water Regulation

Unregulated Contaminants
The City of Bowman began initial monitoring for eighteen Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in 2025 in preparation for the new PFAS rule that will take effect in 2029. One sample was collected at each Entry Point to the distribution system as required, to determine if PFAS is currently in our drinking water. None of the contaminants included in this round of sampling were detected. Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

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In the District Court of Bowman County, State of North Dakota
In the Matter of the Estate of Carolynne Jones, Deceased.
Probate No. 06-2026-PR-00018
Notice to Creditors
(N.D.C.C.30.1-19-01)

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All person having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of (a) the first publication or (b) the mailing of this notice or the claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be presented to Nevin Van de Streek; personal repre-

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

To satisfy the judgment in the action below
Case number 06-2025-DM-00001

Sale Date/Time:
June 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.,
North side of the Bowman County Courthouse Door A.

Description of property:
City of Bowman, North Dakota, Milwaukee Land Company First Addition Block 31, Lot 5, to include any structures attached to such property. To satisfy the judgment in the above action
The sheriff has the right to reject any bids.

sentative of the estate, at 10103 Chestnut Circle North, Brooklyn Park, MN, 55443-1862, or filed with the Court. Dated May 25, 2026.

/s/ Nevin Van de Streek
10103 Chestnut Circle North
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443-1862
701.721.0263
nvandestreek@gmail.com

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SECTION 00100
INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given, that separate sealed bids for the construction of Gravel Crushing will be received by the Bowman County Commission, Bowman, North Dakota at the office of the County Auditor, 104 1st St NW, Suite 1, Bowman, North Dakota until 1:15 p.m., local time on June 29th, 2026, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of: Crushing Gravel in a County Designated Pit

The complete set of Contract Documents, including drawings and specifications, is on file with the Owner at the County Auditor's Office and the office of Brosz Engineering, Inc, 109 S. Main Street, Bowman, ND 58623. Digital Contract Documents are also available from QuestCDN and can be accessed from the Brosz Engineering website at www.broszeng.com under the "Bid Information" page. The cost for download (electronic) plans is \$20. The official Plan Holders list can be viewed for the project on the QuestCDN website. Only electronic plan holders downloaded via QuestCDN will receive addendum notifications. Contractors using any other means for obtaining plans and specifications must periodically check the QuestCDN website for any addenda. The Bowman County Commission reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and waive any defects therein.

Disabled persons needing assistance, please contact the County Auditor at least 72 hours before the services are required. For more information or for complaints about ADA compliance, call 701-523-3130.

Dated at Bowman, North Dakota 3rd Day of June, 2026.

/s/ Mindy Schumacher
Bowman County Auditor
Bowman, ND 58623

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UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE RHAME CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 11th, 2026 @ 6:30 PM
Location: City Hall

I. Rocky called the meeting to order @ 6:30pm

II. Roll Call: Rocky Wallman, Dave Erickson, Doyle Kruger, Henry Waller & Staff

III. Guests: Rita Gisi, Kathy Waller

IV. Minutes: Doyle made a motion to accept May Meeting Minutes, Henry 2nd. Motion Carried.

V. Financial Report:

a) Bank Rec & Cash Report: Motion to approve made by Doyle 2nd by Henry, motion carried.

b) A/R Aging Report #11, #38, #41, #46 Reviewed. Motion To Approve by Dave 1st, Henry 2nd. Motion Carried.

c) A/P Report: Motion to approve payables by Doyle. 2nd by Henry. Motion Carried.

VI. :

a) Streets: No Report

b) Water
1. 29 Day Average – 11,529.3
2. 334,350 tower total gallons
3. 14,600 gallons tower to town

c) Sewer: No Report

Old Business:
d) Speed Limit Sign – Tabled to July
e) Main Street – No Action Needed

New Business:
f) Tool Cat – Doyle Made a motion to fix the Fuel Gauge Cluster for the Tool Cat. Dave 2nd motion carried.

VII. Comments:

VIII. Next Official meeting date Monday, July 13th, 2026. 6:30pm. At City Hall.

IX. Adjournment: Doyle made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39pm. Henry 2nd. Motion carried.

Note: The City of Rhame per ND Cen-

tury Code 40-01-09.1 is publishing these unofficial minutes subject to the governing body's review and revision at the official July 13th, 2026 Meeting.

Respectfully submitted
Jamie Binstock, Auditor
Rocky Wallman, Mayor

Accounts Payable: May

Southwest Water	1,697.86
Montana Dakota Utilities	1374.83
Propoint	321.69
City Of Bowman	2478.50
Aflac	548.92
International League of Cities	475.00
Rhame Community Club	3000.00
Consolidated	126.09
Payroll	6886.59
ND PERS	1119.77
EFTPS	1510.36
BCBS	1933.70
The Badlands Patriot	65.57
One Call	9.00
Southwestern District Health Unit	30.00
Buried Treasures	380.56
Runnings	161.95
Bowman Co Equalization	100.00

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Marmarth School District #12
301 2nd Ave SE, PO Box 70
Marmarth, ND 58643
(701) 279-5521
Official Minutes of the
Marmarth Public School Board
Regular Meeting

May 14th, 2026 @ 2:30pm held in Marmarth School Art Room

Meeting was called to order by Dennis Rice at 2:30pm

Members Present: Dennis Rice, Shannon Minerich, Hope Mastel
Members Remote: None

Members Absent: Molly Lyson, Lori Eagon

Others Present: Kirby Baier
Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was led by Kirby Baier.

Agenda: Shannon Minerich made a motion to approve the agenda with additions to new business, Hope Mastel seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Public Comment: None.

Minutes: April 8th, 2026, regular board meeting minutes were read. Hope Mastel made a motion to approve the minutes, Dennis Rice seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Financial Report: District accounts were presented to the board. Hope Mastel made a motion to approve the presented bills, Shannon Minerich seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Administrators Report: Kirby Baier updated the board on the REAP Meeting, Library Board Meeting, SRSA Grant, 4-Day School Week, and ADA Certification. Lena Kennel updated the board on Infinite Campus, the school monthly calendar, and NDSBMCP classes.

New Business: A sign-on bonus for new teachers was discussed. Shannon Minerich made a motion to purchase up to six new iPads for students, Hope Mastel seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Asbestos inspections were discussed. Dennis Rice updated the board on the Fire Safety Inspection. The Hiring Committee updated the board on the application process. Hope Mastel made a motion to have Dennis Rice resume janitorial duties, Shannon Minerich seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business: Obsolete equipment was discussed. Dennis Rice updated the board on the roof above the gym and furnace maintenance.

Public Comment: None.
Adjourn: Hope Mastel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:41pm, Shannon Minerich seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Next regular meeting scheduled for June 11th, 2026, at 4:00pm.

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ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025
of the
Berkshire Life Insurance Company Of America
In the state of Massachusetts

Total Assets	5,733,984,810
Total Liabilities	5,526,325,848
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	3,198,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than	0
Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	223,369,929
Unassigned Funds	-18,908,967

Total Capital and Surplus	207,658,962
Total Liabilities, Capital And Surplus	5,733,984,810

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025

Total Life and Annuity Premiums Written	0
Total Life and Annuity Direct Losses Paid	0
Total Accident and Health Direct Premiums	1,371,001
Written Total Accident and Health Direct Losses Paid	52,708

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

I, Jon Godfread, Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Dakota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Abstract of Statement, as officially filed by the Company in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this office at Bismarck, the first day of March, A.D. 2026 (SEAL).

JON GODFREAD
Commissioner of Insurance
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the above corporation duly organized under the laws of its state or country of domicile, has filed in this office a sworn statement exhibiting its condition and business for the year ending December 31, 2025 conformable to the requirements of the laws of this State regarding the business of insurance and

WHEREAS, the said company has filed in this office a duly certified copy of its charter with certificate of organization in compliance with the requirements of insurance law aforesaid,

NOW THEREFORE, I, JON GODFREAD, Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named company is fully empowered through its authorized agents and representatives, to transact its appropriated business of authorized insurance in the state according to the laws thereof, until the 30th day of April, A.D. 2027.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Bismarck this first day of March, A.D., 2026

(SEAL)
JON GODFREAD
Commissioner of Insurance

ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025
of the

Family Service Life Insurance Company
In the state of Texas

Total Assets	211,133,917
Total Liabilities	159,078,520
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	2,500,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than	0
Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	3,500,000
Unassigned Funds	46,055,397
Total Capital and Surplus	52,055,397
Total Liabilities, Capital And Surplus	211,133,917

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025

Total Life and Annuity Premiums Written	0
Total Life and Annuity Direct Losses Paid	0
Total Accident and Health Direct Premiums	0
Written Total Accident and Health Direct Losses Paid	0

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(SEAL)
JON GODFREAD
Commissioner of Insurance

ABSTRACT OF STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025
of the

The Guardian Insurance & Annuity Company, Inc.
In the state of Delaware

Total Assets	10,946,622,852
Total Liabilities	10,257,457,895
Aggregate write-ins for special surplus funds	0
Common Capital Stock	2,500,000
Preferred Capital Stock	0
Aggregate Write-ins for Other Than	0
Special Surplus Funds	0
Surplus Notes	0
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	1,021,500,000
Unassigned Funds	-334,835,043
Total Capital and Surplus	689,164,957
Total Liabilities, Capital And Surplus	10,946,622,852

NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS ONLY FOR THE YEAR 2025

Total Life and Annuity Premiums Written	3,252,530
Total Life and Annuity Direct Losses Paid	1,351,395
Total Accident and Health Direct Premiums	0
Written Total Accident and Health Direct Losses Paid	0