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**NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY FINDING AND  
OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE COMMENT ON THE NAVIGABILITY  
OF THE FOLLOWING NORTH DAKOTA WATERS:  
BOIS DE SIOUX RIVER, MISSOURI RIVER, MOUSE RIVER, RED  
RIVER, UPPER DES LACS  
LAKE, AND YELLOWSTONE RIVER**

The North Dakota Department of Water Resources (Department) hereby provides notice that pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) § 61-33-05.1(2) it is soliciting public comment on the preliminary navigability findings (made under N.D.C.C. § 61-33-05.1(1)) of the following North Dakota waters (Waters):

- Bois De Sioux River
- Missouri River
- Mouse River
- Red River of the North
- Upper Des Lacs Lake
- Yellowstone River

**1. Mailing and E-Mail addresses where public comments may be sent**

North Dakota Department of Water Resources  
C/O Regulatory Division  
1200 Memorial Highway  
Bismarck, ND 58504  
sovereignlands@nd.gov

**2. Body of Water(s) for Finding of Navigability**

The Department solicited a study of the Waters for their potential for being used for commerce, or susceptible for being used for commerce, in their condition at the time North Dakota became a state (1889). Below is a summary of the preliminary navigability findings.

**Bois De Sioux River**

All portions of the Bois De Sioux River within the state of North Dakota.

**Missouri River**

All portions of the Missouri River within the state of North Dakota.

**Mouse River**

All portions of the Mouse River within the state of North Dakota.

**Red River of the North**

All portions of the Red River of the North within the state of North Dakota.

**Upper Des Lacs Lake**

All portions of Upper Des Lacs Lake within the state of North Dakota.

**Yellowstone River**

All portions of the Yellowstone River within the state of North Dakota.

**3. Public Hearing**

The Department will conduct a public hearing at 9 AM on July 14, 2026, at the Lewis & Clark Room No. 238 at the Bank of North Dakota (1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, ND 58504). A virtual option will also be available at [www.dwr.nd.gov](http://www.dwr.nd.gov).

Each of the Waters will get at least 15 minutes and up to an hour of public comment, with a break from 12 PM to 1 PM central for lunch. Each waterbody will have a hearing open and closed in the order presented in this notice. If no members of the public in-person or virtual provide comment within a 15-minute period, the hearing for that particular waterbody will be closed and the next waterbody comment hearing will be opened.

**4. Public Hearing Purpose**

The purpose of the public hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to provide comment to the Department on the draft determinations of navigability prior to making a final determination of navigability. The Department welcomes all comments that will aid in the Department's final determination of navigability on all segments of the Waters under consideration.

If a waterbody is determined to be navigable, the area within the ordinary high water mark of the navigable water body is held in trust by the State of North Dakota for the people of North Dakota.

**5. Availability of Preliminary Finding Documentation**

The Department's preliminary finding of navigability for the Waters are available on the Department's website at [www.dwr.nd.gov](http://www.dwr.nd.gov).

Dated the 11th of May, 2026

North Dakota Department of Water Resources  
Reice Haase, Director

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a contract with NDDOT agreeing to the terms for hay harvesting.

**Deadlines:**

- Bismarck, Fargo, and Valley City offices: 1:00 p.m. CDT Thursday, June 4, 2026.

- Dickinson office: 1:00 p.m. MDT, Thursday, June 4, 2026.

**NDDOT district offices:**

- Bismarck: 218 South Airport Road, Bismarck, ND 58504-6003 Ph: (701) 328-6950

- Fargo: 503 38th Street South, Fargo, ND 58103-1198 Ph: (701) 239-8900

- Valley City: 1524 8th Avenue Southwest, Valley City, ND 58072-4200 Ph: (701) 845-8800

- Dickinson: 1700 3rd Avenue West, Suite 101, Dickinson, ND 58601-3009 Ph: (701) 227-6500

(May 5, 12 & 19, 2026)

**ANALYSIS OF THE STATEWIDE MEASURES APPEARING ON THE ELECTION BALLOT**

JUNE 9, 2026

The following analysis is for the measure appearing on the statewide Primary Election ballot on June 9, 2026. This publication is required by section 16.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code to enable voters to become familiar with the effect of proposed measures. The full text of each measure is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at [vote.nd.gov](http://vote.nd.gov) or by requesting a copy from the Elections Division at 701-328-4146, or from the office of any County Auditor.

In addition, as required by section 16.1-01-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, a copy of the Legislative Council's report on the estimated fiscal impact of initiated Measures No. 1 is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at [vote.nd.gov](http://vote.nd.gov), by phone at 701-328-4146, by email at [soselect@nd.gov](mailto:soselect@nd.gov), or by letter to Secretary of State, 600 E Boulevard Avenue Dept 108, Bismarck ND 58505-0500.

**Analysis of Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1**

**(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)**

Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1 was placed on the ballot by action of the 2025 North Dakota Legislative Assembly with passage of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007 (2025 Session Laws, Chapter 610). If approved, 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 and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment would require constitutional amendments to 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.

Voting "YES" means you approve the measure summarized above. Voting "NO" means you reject the measure summarized above.

(May 12 & 19, 2026)

**BC Planning & Zoning Minutes - April 14, 2026**

Members Present: Mike Schwehr, Jeff Erickson, Darrel Brudevold, Scott Legge, Bill Carlblom, Dave Carlsrud, Vern Roorda; Also Present: Jessica Jenrich, Michael Buck

Meeting called to order by Chairman Schwehr at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Erickson, seconded by Carlblom to approve the March 10, 2026 minutes. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed for Michael Buck for a Tree Setback Variance of 50' from the center of Township Road 25th St

SE. No one appeared to protest. Schwehr reopened the meeting for discussion. Motion by Carlsrud, seconded by Brudevold to deny the requested Variance of 50' but approve a Variance of 100'. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed for Dennis & Adele Smith for a Tree Setback Variance of 70' from the center of township road. No one appeared to protest. Schwehr reopened the meeting for discussion. Motion by Legge, seconded by Brudevold to deny the requested Variance of 70- but approve a Variance at 100'. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed for Rodney Rood for a Tree Setback Variance of 100' from the center of County Road 21. No one appeared to protest. Schwehr reopened the meeting for discussion. Motion by Brudevold, seconded by Rooda to approve the 100' variance for trees to not be any closer than 100'. Motion carried.

**BUILDING PERMIT REVIEW**

Vance Zacharias - Grain Bin - S1/2 SE1/4, 20-137-57, Thordenskiold Twp; Josh Buchholz - Grain Bin - NE1/4, 05-137-56, Raritan Twp; Kyle & Krista Kjelland - House(renewal) - Aud Lt 1 of N1/2 SE1/4, 14-139-58, Marsh Twp; Neil Amann - Cold Storage - E1/2 NE1/4 less 2.34A, 19-143-58, Sibley-Trail Twp; Robert & Darla Harstad - House/Garage - SE1/4 Aud Lt 1, 34-142-60, Edna Twp; Jeff Kapaun - Storage building - Aud Lt 1 of SE1/4, 13-138-56, Binghampton Twp; Dan Schroeder - Shop - E1/2 NE1/4, 14-140-58, Valley Twp; Rodney Rood - Shed - 3.58 acres of NE1/4, 16-139-58, Marsh Twp; Ryan Hoffman - Shop - Replat lots 5-10 Veterans Sub Lot 8A, 13-143-58, Sibley-Trail Twp; Robert Larson - Garage - 4.50 acres of SE1/4, 10-138-60, Svea Twp; David Groth - Storage building - Aud Lt 1 of SW1/4, 13-137-56, Raritan Twp; Marlin & Tammi Severson - House/Garage - 30.38 acres of N1/2 NW1/4, 07-139-58, Marsh Twp; Richard & Renee Wert - House/Garage(renewal) - Aud Lt 1 & Lot 2 of NE1/4, 31-139-59, Green Twp; Kenneth Trevithick - House - Aud Lt 1 of SE1/4, 26-138-57, Norma Twp; Motion by Carlsrud, seconded by Carlblom to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm. Jessica Jenrich, P&Z Administrator

(May 19, 2026)

**BARNES COUNTY NORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT #007 ELECTION NOTICE**

2184 101ST AVE SE, WIMBLEDON, ND

JUNE 9, 2026

Barnes County North School District #007 will hold its annual school board election on Tuesday, June 9, 2026.

The purpose of this election is to fill the three open positions for school board officials currently held by Michele Elston, Cindy Christianson, and Tyler Schlecht, as well as for the question of General Fund Levy Authorization. AJ Weyer, Stacy Everhart, Tyler Schlecht, and Michele Elston have filed to be on the ballot.

Polls will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Barnes County North School. Contact the Business Manager at 701-646-6202 or via email at [Lindsay.Polk@k12.nd.us](mailto:Lindsay.Polk@k12.nd.us) if you have questions or to request an absentee ballot. /s/ Lindsay Polk Business Manager

(May 19, 2026)

**City of Kathryn Meeting Minutes**

04/06/2026

Present: Ron Kruger, DelRay Trzruc, William Foster, Sabrina Foster & Jamie Smith. Absent: Robert Collier. Also present: Eric Nelson-Fire Chief, Deb & Tracy Erickson-Fatman Trash, Rachel Olson & Bryan Gulickson. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Kruger.

Motion by Sabrina Foster, seconded by DelRay Trzruc to approve the minutes of the March meeting. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Motion by Sabrina Foster, seconded by DelRay Trzruc to approve the following bills for payment: Barnes Rural

Water: \$58.00, Otter Tail Power Company: \$632.45, Fatman Trash: \$603.94, Jamie Smith: \$461.75, Smith Lumber: \$18,438.00, Barnes County Highway: \$135.00, VC Times Record: \$38.25. All were in favor. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

Sabrina moved and William Seconded to amend flood plain ordinance #23 to reflect the date of the latest FIRM Map. All were in favor, the motion carried. Thundering Saints donated \$10,000.00 for the purchase of 2 lawn mowers. Sewer Scoping will be completed. Sewer Eye has donated the use of their camera.

**New Business**

Brian Gullickson was in attendance requesting approval for an office site alcoholic permit to sell alcohol at the Kathryn Fire Department Smoker. Motion by William Foster to approve, seconded by Sabrina Foster. All were in favor. The motion carried. CD Renewal: Motion by Sabrina Foster to reinvest a Certificate of Deposit at the highest possible interest rate. Seconded by DelRay Trzruc. All were in favor. The motion carried. Deb & Tracy Erickson presented a renewal contract for garbage services for a period of three years. Motion to approve by Sabrina Foster. Second by William Foster. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Thank you to Robert Storbeck, Chad Hejtmanek, Dave Majerus, Jim Gilbertson & Ron Kruger for assisting with snow removal during the Easter snowstorm.

Tax Equalization will be held at 4:00 PM on April 8th at the Barnes County Courthouse.

**Public Comment-None**

Motion to adjourn by Sabrina Foster and seconded by DelRay Trzruc. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Next regular meeting, May 4th at 7:00 PM.

RonKruger, Mayor  
Jamie Smith, Auditor

(May 19, 2026)

**Notice of Public Hearing**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that there will be a Public Hearing before the City of Sibley council, to consider the vacation of the following alley based upon the petition of the adjacent landowners:

1. The alley located on the east side of the Hagglund addition, 20 feet wide and 205 feet long.

The meeting will be held on June 18th, 2026 at the City Firehall and will commence at 7:00pm. The purpose of the meeting is to hear comments and objections to the above alley. The alley mentioned above may be seen in the Plat Maps at the Barnes County Records Office or requested from the City in advance of the meeting. Dated this 14th day of May, 2026. Typhanny Schuler, City Auditor of Sibley, North Dakota

(May 19, 26 and June 2, 9, 2026)

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

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Attorney for Personal Representative Court File No. 02-2026-PR-00009IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BARNES COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA In the Matter of the Estate of Donald K. Knutson, Deceased  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the attorney listed above, to Scott Knutson as Personal Representative of the Estate at 4763 104th Ave SE, Litchville, ND 58461, or filed with the Court. Dated this 3rd day of February. Scott Knutson Personal Representative of the Estate of Donald K. Knutson, deceased  
4763 104th Ave SE  
Litchville, ND 58461

(May 12, 19 & 26, 2026)



**PEOPLE NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICES**

2017 research shows North Dakotans' **#1 choice for public notices is NEWSPAPERS.**

Coming in second: the mail. A distant third: the internet.

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Newspapers: Keeping North Dakotans informed and engaged.  
[www.ndna.com](http://www.ndna.com) SOURCE: Pulse-Research Inc., Portland, OR

## Two Valley City athletes among Track & Field Hall of Fame inductees

Two Valley City Athletes are among the 2026 North Dakota High School Track & Field Hall of Fame Inductees.

Fred Fritel from Minnewaukan, Valley City and Fargo Davies and Bill Kelley from Valley City, Wyndmere, Lamoure, Central Cass and Jamestown are 2026 North Dakota High School Track & Field

Hall of Fame Inductees.

Fritel dedicated 46 years of his life to coaching track and field and helping generations of young athletes grow through the sport. His coaching career began at Minnewaukan for two years, continued for an incredible 39 years at Valley City, and concluded with five years at Fargo Davies.

Throughout his legendary coaching career, Fred mentored athletes to extraordinary success, including 16 State Champions in the jumping events, 76 state place winners, and 32 EDC Champions. His athletes also reached historic levels of achievement, highlighted by Nate Keller's Class A State Record in the long jump at 24 feet, 6 inches.

In recognition of his impact on athletics and education, Fred was inducted into the Valley City High School Hall

of Fame in 2023.

Though he has passed away, his legacy continues through the countless athletes, coaches, and students he inspired throughout nearly five decades in the sport.

Kelly devoted more than six decades to coaching track and field in North Dakota, building one of the longest and most respected coaching careers in state history.

In 1976, Bill began what would become an extraordinary run as throws coach at James-

town High School, a position he held through 2024. Across generations of athletes, his knowledge, dedication, and passion for throwing events helped shape countless successful competitors and teams.

Over the course of his remarkable career, Bill coached 92 state place winners in the throwing events. Bill coached nine individual State Champions during his legendary career.

More importantly, Bill Kelly's impact extended far beyond medals and podium finishes. For more than 60 years, he served as a mentor, teacher, and leader who helped generations of athletes develop confidence, discipline, and a love for track and field. His longevity, commitment, and influence



have left a permanent mark on North Dakota athletics.

Other inductees are:

- Tim Nicols from Oaks (Class of 1968)
- Dawn (Koehn) Beil - Fargo North-Fargo South-Fargo Davies
- Brian Sorenson from Hazen (Class of 2008)
- Eric Stroh from Bismarck High School (Class of 2006)
- Eric Kuntz from Rugby (Class of 2011)
- Josey (Page) Skytland from Carrington (Class of 2013)

**Happy 90th Birthday**

**MaryAnn Winkler**

*An Open House to honor MaryAnn's big day* will be held at the **VALLEY CITY EAGLES** on Saturday, May 23rd from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. (No gifts please)

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