

PUBLIC NOTICES (CONTINUED)

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA	STEELE COUNTY	
CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026		
ATTENTION! READ BEFORE VOTING POLITICAL PARTY BALLOT		
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
MEASURES BALLOT		
<p>Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.</p>		
<p>Constitutional Measure No. 1 (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)</p> <p>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 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.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes - Means you approve the measure summarized above.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No - Means you reject the measure summarized above.</p>		
Continue voting other side →		
NOTICE: You may only vote in one political party's section.		
Official Ballot STEELE COUNTY June 9, 2026	All ballots, other than those used to vote absentee, must first be initialed by appropriate election officials in order to be counted.	Election Official Initials
Typ:01 Seq:0001 Spl:02		

SCP May 22, 29, 2026 IO#370066

Johnson, Aaron Reamer, Perry Brown, and Jeff Schuety, also present were Laurie Tuite, Marvin Spletstoesser, Scott Erickson, Sara Schnucker, Ariel Parkman, Dawn Flaten, & Lance Heights.

Mayor Pat Brown called the regular City of Hope Monthly meeting to order

It was moved by Brown, seconded by Reimer to approve the minutes of the April 2026 special meeting. Motion carried. The regular meeting minutes were not available.

Severson Farms building permit was discussed and tabled.

City auditor & public works positions were discussed. Schuety and Reimer will conduct the interviews.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Schuety to approve Black Mountain Software Agreements. Motion carried.

It was moved by Schuety, seconded by Brown to approve gam-

ing permit to Dual County Classic. Motion carried.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Schuety to approve building permit to Trevor & Darci McCullough. Motion carried.

CD#4257236 3 month CD will renew automatically.

Sara Schnucker and Ariel Parkman were present to discuss the Shade Tree Committee. They have been working with the NRCS office for available grants and tree donation availability to plant trees within the City of Hope for the residents, the boulevards, berms, etc. Volunteers will be necessary and they would like one volunteer from the city council to be on the committee. Boxelders by the park need to be taken out and need to get bids for tree removal.

It was moved by Brown, seconded by Reamer to approve and adopt the Steele County Multi-hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.

Scott Erickson was present to request that power be turned back on at the EDC building by the Pasta Plant. EDC will be taking care of the expenses for the same.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Schuety to pay the bills. Motion carried.

-99304 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.....	\$2,339.28
-99303 BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA.....	\$53,391.83
-99302 DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.....	\$8,441.00
-99301 STEELE COUNTY JDA.....	\$500.00
-99300 aflac.....	\$221.60
25000 Charles A Yanez ..	\$1,599.70
25001 MARVIN SPLETTSTOESSER..	\$2,150.34
25002 HOPE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.....	\$3,532.13
25003 HOPE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.....	\$3,500.00
25004 VISA.....	\$1,844.26
25005 BEK.....	\$79.06

25006 BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$2,214.25
25007 DAKOTA RURAL WATER DISTRICT	\$3,058.60
25008 FARMERS UNION OIL COMPANY.....	\$292.19
25009 GRAND FORKS UTILITY BILLING.....	\$26.00
25010 MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS.....	\$103.78
25011 MINNKOTA POWER COOP, INC.	\$1,485.00
25012 NEW CENTURY PRESS.....	\$373.12
25013 Nodak Electric Cooperative	\$23,180.08
25014 RAILROAD MANAGEMENT	

COMPANY III, LL	\$458.76
25015 STEELE COUNTY SHERRIFF'S DEPT.....	\$1,100.00
25016 THOMAS R. MOE.....	\$150.00
25017 TREVOR MCCULLOUGH.....	\$75.00
25018 U.S. BANK OPERATIONS CENTER.....	\$40,400.00
25019 Charles A Yanez ..	\$1,599.70
25020 MARVIN SPLETTSTOESSER..	\$2,269.24

Laurie Tuite was present to talk about the empowerment zone changes to federal grant policies. Marvin Spletstoesser discussed his compensation for retirement and paid vacation, the discussion

was tabled to next meeting date. It was moved by Brown, seconded by Reamer to hire Marci Johnson as interim city auditor at \$30.00 hourly until permanent position is filled. Motion carried.

There being no other business Johnson moved to adjourn at 7:55 AM.

Next city council meeting will be June 9th at 7:00 AM at Hope City Hall.

Pat Brown, Mayor
Marci Johnson,
Interim City Auditor
SCP May 29, 2026 IO#370100

**City of Hope
2025 Consumer Confidence
Report
Annual Drinking Water
Quality Report**

We are pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act. This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. Our water source is ground water from the Spiritwood Aquifer. Dakota Rural Water District (DRWD), our water provider, has three wells. The well water is treated at the Dakota Rural Water District's iron and manganese removal treatment plant.

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality has completed a Source Water Assessment for the City of Hope and Dakota Rural Water District including the delineation and contaminant/land use inventory elements of the North Dakota Source Water Protection Program. Based on the information from these elements, the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality has determined that our water source is "not likely susceptible" to potential contaminants. No significant sources of contamination have been identified. A copy of this assessment is available to the public upon request. "The water we provide is treated with fluoride addition as a part of the water treatment process to enhance dental health. For information regarding the level of fluoride in the finished water provided to our consumers, please contact our office at 'insert phone number'." If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Marci Johnson at 701-543-3243. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 a.m. in

Hope City Hall. If you are aware of non-English speaking individuals who need help with the appropriate language translation, please call Marci Johnson at the number listed above.

The City of Hope would appreciate it if large volume water customers would please post copies of the **Annual Drinking Water Quality Report** in conspicuous locations or distribute them to tenants, residents, patients, students, and/or employees, so individuals who consume the water, but do not receive a water bill can learn about our water system.

The City of Hope routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water per Federal and State laws. The following table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2025. As authorized and approved by EPA, the state has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of our data [e.g., for inorganic contaminants], though representative, is more than one year old. EPA requires monitoring of over 80 drinking water contaminants. Those contaminants listed in the table are the only contaminants detected in your drinking water. Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water is **SAFE** at these levels.

Please call Marci Johnson at 701-543-3243 if you have questions. The City of Hope works diligently to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water resources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency

(EPA) prescribes regulations which limit the amounts of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

In the following table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we have provided the following definitions:

MCLG Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

MCL Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

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

MRDL Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level: 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.

Highest Compliance Level: The highest level of that contaminant used to determine compliance with a National Primary Drinking Water Regulation.

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

Abbreviations: ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter; ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter; ppt - parts per trillion or nanograms per liter; ppq - parts per quadrillion or picograms per liter; NA - not applicable; ND - none detected; pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity), umho/cm = micromhos per centimeter (a measure of conductivity), obsvns = observations/field at 100 Power, IDSE = Initial Distribution System Evaluation

TEST RESULTS – Hope City Of - ND4600487 & Dakota Rural Water District South - ND2001121

Lead/Copper	Date	# Sample s	Action Level (AL)	Level Detected	Units	Range	Violation Yes/No Other Info	Likely Source of Contaminant
Copper	10/10/2025	5	1.3	0.423 90th Percentile	ppm	0.0179 to 0.464	0 Sites Exceeded AL	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead	10/10/2025	5	15	No Detect 90th Percentile	ppb	ND to ND	0 Sites Exceeded AL	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

Disinfectants								
Chlorine	Date	MRDL=	MRDLG=	Level	Unit	Range	Violation	Water additive used to control microbes
	5/31/2025	4.0	4	2.4	ppm	1.32 to 2.01	No	

Radioactive Contaminants	Date	MCL	MCLG	High Comp.	Unit	Range	Violation	Like Source of Contaminant
Radium, Combined (226, 228)	11/13/2025	5		0.0974	pCi/l	NA		Erosion of natural deposits

Stage 2 Disinfectant Byproducts (TTHM/HAA5)								
HAA5 System-wide	Date	MCL	MCLG	Level	Unit	Range	Violation	By-product of drinking water chlorination
	12/31/2025	60	N/A	ND	ppb	N/A	No	
TTHM System-wide	Date	MCL	MCLG	Level	Unit	Range	Violation	By-product of drinking water chlorination
	12/31/2025	80	N/A	21	ppb	N/A	No	