

**NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE
CITY OF DRAYTON ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the city election for the City of Drayton, North Dakota will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026. Qualified voters of said city will vote upon and choose the following city offices:

Mayor-four-year term
Three City Council Member Positions – four-year term each
City Municipal Judge-four year term

Three Park Board Officer Positions – four-year term each

Individuals seeking to have their name on the ballot for any one of these offices may obtain a SFN 2704 Petition/Certificate of Nomination and a SFN 10172 Statement of Interests from the City Auditor at the City Office located at 122 South Main Street or can be obtained online at <http://www.nd.gov/sos/electvote/elections/forms.html>.

All city candidates must file their petition at the office of the City Auditor no later than Monday, April 6, 2026 at 4:00pm. No petition can be accepted after that time.

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Shown here is a breakdown of the annual cost of a 30-mill increase per quarter of land:

Valuation	Residential Property	Cost of 30 Residential Mills	Agricultural Property	Cost of 30 Agricultural
\$50,000	\$2.25	\$67.50	\$2.50	\$75.00
\$75,000	\$3.38	\$101.25	\$3.75	\$112.50
\$100,000	\$4.50	\$135.00	\$5.00	\$150.00
\$125,000	\$5.63	\$168.75	\$6.25	\$187.50
\$150,000	\$6.75	\$202.50	\$7.50	\$225.00

Average value of a quarter of land: \$210,000 - \$250,000 = \$315 - \$375 per quarter

The price breakdown of cost per year per quarter of land according to value. Courtesy of Drayton School

"I think a lot of people are going to want to say no, because they don't want to give more money, but for us, you're only asking for \$200 for a whole year. Why wouldn't we say yes?" commented Andrea Passa, parent and member of the Bombers PTO.

DPS's future is in the hands of voters

A vote will take place June 9, at the school to approve or reject the addition of up to 30 mills. If approved, the school's intention is to reinstate the laid-off teachers and continue serving students at the current level.

The measure will require 55% approval from voters in order to pass.

"If we can get a yes vote, and fill those positions back up, that's our intent. Our intent is to bring back as many positions as possible, hopefully all of them, to stabilize our budget, and still provide the education that we need for our students," said Superintendent Keating.

A failed vote would require additional budget cuts in the form of further layoffs and could put the school on a path toward closure.

"I'll be honest, if the vote is no in June, it's two or three more positions next year that have to go as well because we can't sustain a \$300,000 deficit," advised Superintendent Keating.

Your opinion matters

The school board is asking residents to share how they intend to vote in June, if eligible. Community members can scan the QR code to provide their input.



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Thursday March 26, 2026 at 3:00pm at Drayton Sugar Bowl Senior Center
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All Drayton Township residents are encouraged to attend. Immediately following the annual meeting there will be a regular monthly meeting.

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