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With a candidate for state’s attorney on the ballot for the first time in more than a decade, Jodi Colling gathered 741 votes during the primary election, and she could be a viable candidate to be appointed as state’s attorney, Grant County Auditor/Treasurer Sara Meier indicated.

“The voters want that person as their state’s attorney,” Meier said. The measure would go into effect Jan. 1, 2027.

The primary election canvassing board convened June 22, with members Grant County Commissioner Chairman Alton Zenker, Deputy Recorder/

Clerk of Court Katrina Hummel, Joan Bahm, Donna VandenBurg and Amber Reis. Meier acted as election administrator/secretary. The responsibilities of the board are to review, accept or reject absentee ballots; verify and approve the write-in candidates; and accept the results of each contest of the county, cities and schools.

Prior to canvassing, two absentee ballots needed to be “cured,” because the voter did not sign the affidavit envelope or the signature did not closely match the application signature, Meier explained. Officials are required to notify voters and allow voters to correct signature errors through a process

called ballot curing. The two-part process involves notification and correction.

Minutes from the canvassing board indicate the board rejected an absentee ballot which did not have a signature on the affidavit envelope, as the voter did not cure the ballot. The second absentee ballot was accepted by the board, as it was cured for a mismatched signature.

Another two absentee ballots were rejected by the board because they were received by the county auditor’s office on June 10. Legislation requires absentee ballots be received by close of polls on Election Day.

During the recount, three more ballots shifted, Meier said.

With just one more vote, a 50% plus one majority would have decided the fate of the measure either way, she said.

“One vote makes a difference,” Meier said.

ZENKER:

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tion with each student and getting to know their interests helps Zenker find new ways to engage them and choose strategies that work best for each student.

Along the way, her students have also taught Zenker. “My students have really taught me that patience, flexibility and taking the time to meet their needs are essential if you want them to succeed,” she says.

The support from families is the backbone of student success. “I have been very fortunate to have supportive families. I work with them on a daily basis. They want the best for their child, so I work closely with them. This helps create consistency between home and the classroom, which is especially important for my students.” She notes that community support also encourages students to succeed. “When students see that the people around

them care about their education, it helps motivate them and find a sense of belonging.”

Looking ahead to the 2026–2027 school year, North Dakota is still facing an overwhelming teacher shortage. While every subject is technically designated as a shortage area in the state, districts continue to report the greatest difficulty filling positions in special education, mathematics, science, English language learning, career and technical education, counseling, and rural elementary classrooms.

Zenker encourages those who may be considering a career in education to listen to the call to impact younger generations. “Have patience, stay flexible, and really care about helping students grow,” she says. “No two days are ever the same, so you have to be ready to adjust and meet students where they’re at.”

In addition, she hopes others stay open to trying new things and remain willing to continuously learn. “It can definitely be challenging, but it’s also very rewarding to see students build confidence and accomplish things they didn’t think they could do.”

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FLASHER, NORTH DAKOTA

2026 FLASHER PEDESTRIAN TRAIL

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The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

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Each bid must be accompanied by a bidder's bond in a sum equal to 5% of the full amount of the bid executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety, conditioned that if the principal's bid is accepted and a contract is awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten (10) days after the notice of the award, shall execute a contract in accordance with the terms of the bid and the bid bond, and any conditions of the City of Flasher, as required by law. A countersignature of a bid bond is not required. If the City of Flasher elects to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, and the lowest responsible bidder does not execute a contract within ten (10) days, the bidder's bond will be forfeited to the City of Flasher, and the City of Flasher may award the project to the next lowest responsible bidder.

Each bidder must possess a valid North Dakota contractor's license for the full amount of their bid, as required by N.D.C.C. § 43-07-7. Each bidder MUST enclose a copy of their Contractor's License or Certificate of Renewal, issued by the North Dakota Secretary of State, and each license must be valid and dated at least 10 days prior to the date set for bid opening, as required under N.D.C.C. § 43-07-12.

No bid may be read or considered if the bid does not fully comply with the requirements of this section and that any deficient bid submitted must be resealed and returned to the bidder immediately.

City of Flasher reserves the right to reject any and all bids and rebid the project until a satisfactory bid is received.

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Owner: City of Flasher

By: Alesia Senff

Title: City Auditor

Date: June 11, 2026

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Flasher Chiropractic
Clinic

Tuesdays 9 am - 1 pm CDT
Dr. Sheri Ten Broek | 701-597-3931

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