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Barnes Rural Water District Notice of Annual Meeting

will be held on Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. at the Eagles, 345 12th Ave NE, Valley City, ND

1. Financial Report
2. Two Directors will be elected
3. Business Meeting

Board Members:

Scott Anderson Wendy Hatlewick
*Chris Kvilvang *Deb Burchill
Ervand Andersen Tyler VanVruggen

*Board terms expiring

Storm Date April 16th, 2026

Disability Services are available, prior contact required.

(March 17, 2026)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Project: Valley City Public Schools
210 12th Street NE
Valley City, ND

Bid Date, Time, & Location: Thursday, April 2, 2026
@ 2:00 PM CDT
Construction Engineers
ATTN: Lance Monson
200 North 69th Street,
Grand Forks, ND 58203

This project consists of an addition of approximately 106,300 SF and remodel of 3,200 SF of existing spaces. The project includes: surveying, testing, temp fencing, selective demolition, cast-in-place concrete, structural precast, architectural precast, masonry, structural steel, rough and finish carpentry, casework, membrane roofing, joint sealants, metal wall panels, fluid-applied air barrier, spray foam insulation, hollow metal doors, overhead doors, glazing, gypsum assemblies, tile, flooring, resinous flooring, wood athletic flooring, acoustical ceilings, painting, concrete polishing, operable partitions, specialties, food service equipment, gymnasium equipment, window treatments, elevators, fire sprinklers, mechanical, electrical, earthwork, asphalt paving, site concrete, landscaping, and utilities.

Construction shall begin in May 2026 and will be completed by January 2028.

Construction Engineers is soliciting competitive "Lump Sum Bids" for All Contract Categories.

A Pre-bid Meeting will take place March 24, 2026 at 10:00 AM. Attendees will meet near the south entrance of Jefferson Elementary School located at 1150 Central Ave N, Valley City, ND.

Bidding Documents

Digital project bidding documents will be available for download on Wednesday March 11th, 2026. Email TinaH@ConstructionEngineers.com for instructions on how to download a set of bid documents.

(March 10, 17 & 24, 2026)

BIDS FOR CULVERTS

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Barnes County Highway Superintendent, Valley City, North Dakota, up to 3:30 P.M., Monday, April 13th, 2026, to furnish the county with metal culverts. Price quotations for a one (1) year supply from date of letting are desired on the following:

Metal

All sizes corrugated metal pipe, corrugated metal bands and flared end sections.

All Types corrugated metal pipe including spiral, riveted and arched pipe.

All types of coatings: galvanized, aluminumized and poly coated pipe.

F.O.B. any quantity to any point in Barnes County

The bidder must specify average delivery time.

A bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope on the outside containing a bidder's bond in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid. This will be executed by the bidder as principal, and executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract if it is awarded to him, and that he will furnish the necessary bond. When the bid is ten thousand dollars or less, the bidder may in lieu of such bond accompany the bid with a separate envelope containing a certified or cashier's check equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid. This payment must be made payable to the board. The Board has authority and direction to endorse, deposit, and receive the face amount of the certified or cashier's check as liquidated damages, should the successful bidder fail to enter into the contract.

Bids will be opened on April 21st at 8:00 AM during the regular Barnes County Commission meeting located at 230 4th St. NW, Valley City ND. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities in any bid, and to accept the bids deemed to best serve the interest of the County.

Jamie Smith
Barnes County Highway Department
1525 12th Street NW
Valley City, North Dakota 58072

(March 17 & April 7, 2026)

DIVISION 1

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Barnes County Municipal Airport
Valley City, North Dakota**

AIP Project No. 3-38-0053-029-2026
Project Name: Apron, Taxiway, and Taxilane Pavement Rehabilitation
Bid Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 9:00 AM Local Time

Sealed bids, subject to the conditions contained herein, for improvements to the Barnes County Municipal Airport, Valley City, North Dakota, AIP Project No. 3-38-0053-029-2026 will be received by the Barnes County Municipal Airport Authority at The office of Mead & Hunt - Fargo, 2505 N University Drive, Suite 100, Fargo, ND 58102, until 9:00 AM local time on April 9, 2026 at 10/4/2120, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

Project work consists of but is not limited to the following:
Apron, Taxiway, and Taxilane Pavement Rehabilitation will consist of crack sealing, large crack repair. Application of Seal Coat Surface Treatment, and Temporary and Permanent Pavement Marking.

Construction for this project is to take place over 37 calendar days.

Contract Documents. The complete set of Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents can be obtained for a non-refundable fee of \$200.00 at the office of Mead & Hunt, Inc. located at 2505 N. University Drive, Suite 100, Fargo, ND 58102 or may be downloaded for a fee of \$25 at www.questcdn.com

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com #10084833. Those wishing to download the bidding documents electronically do so at their own risk for completeness of the bidding documents.

Pre-Bid Conference. A pre-bid conference will not be held for this project.

Bidding. Each bid must be accompanied by a separate envelope containing the contractor's license and bid security (if e-bids required, the e-bid process will be set up to meet this requirement). The bid security must be in a sum equal to five percent of the full amount of the bid and must be in the form of a bidder's bond. A bidder's bond must be executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety, conditioned that if the principal's bid is accepted and the contract awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten days after notice of the award, shall execute a contract in accordance with the terms of the bid and the bid bond and any condition of the governing body. If a successful bidder does not execute a contract within the ten days allowed, the bidder's bond must be forfeited to the governing body and the project awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder.

The airport reserves the right to reject any and all bids and rebid the project. No bid will be read or considered if the bid does not fully comply with the bidding requirements. Deficient bids will be resealed and returned to the bidder.

Multiple Prime Bids for General, Electrical, and Mechanical. Multiple prime bids are not required for this project.

Federal Requirements for Federally Funded Projects. This Project is being partially funded under the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP). Contractors must comply with specific federally required provisions as listed herein and contained in the contract documents. The following federal provisions are incorporated in this solicitation by reference:

1. Buy American Preference (49 USC § 50101; Executive Order 14005; Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (P. L. No. 117-58); Build America; Buy America (BABA))
2. Civil Rights - Title VI Assurance (49 USC § 47123; FAA Order 1400.11)
3. Davis-Bacon Act (2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II (D); 29 CFR Part 5; 49 USC § 47112 (b); 40 USC § 3141-3144, 3146, and 3147)
4. Debarment and Suspension (2 CFR Part 180 (Subpart B); 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(H); 2 CFR Part 1200; DOT Order 4200.5; Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)
5. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (49 CFR Part 26; 49 USC § 47113)
6. Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (29 USC § 201, et seq; 2 CFR § 200.430)
7. Foreign Trade Restriction (49 CFR Part 30; 49 USC § 50104)
8. Lobbying and Influencing Federal Employees (49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A; 31 USC § 1352 - Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment; 2 CFR part 200- Appendix II(I))
9. Procurement of Recovered Materials (49 CFR § 200.323; 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II (J); 40 CFR Part 247; 42 USC § 6901, et seq (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)))
10. Prohibition of Covered Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) (FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 (Public Law 118-63), Section 936; 49 USC § 44801)

Trade Restriction Certification. By submission of an offer, the Offeror certifies that with respect to this solicitation and any resultant contract, the Offeror -

- 1) is not owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (U.S.T.R.);
- 2) has not knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract for this project with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by the USTR; and
- 3) has not entered into any subcontract for any product to be used on the Federal project that is produced in a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the USTR. This certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an agency of

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the United States of America and the making of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the maker subject to prosecution under Title 18 USC § 1001.

The Offeror/Contractor must provide immediate written notice to the Owner if the Offeror/Contractor learns that its certification or that of a subcontractor was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. The Contractor must require subcontractors provide immediate written notice to the Contractor if at any time it learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. Unless the restrictions of this clause are waived by the Secretary of Transportation in accordance with 49 CFR § 30.17, no contract shall be awarded to an Offeror or subcontractor:

- 1) who is owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the U.S.T.R. or
- 2) whose subcontractors are owned or controlled by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on such U.S.T.R. list; or
- 3) who incorporates in the public works project any product of a foreign country on such U.S.T.R. list.

Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a contractor is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

The Offeror agrees that, if awarded a contract resulting from this solicitation, it will incorporate this provision for certification without modification in all lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor may rely on the certification of a prospective subcontractor that it is not a firm from a foreign country included on the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms as published by USTR, unless the Offeror has knowledge that the certification is erroneous. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making an award. If it is later determined that the Contractor or subcontractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) may direct through the Owner cancellation of the contract or subcontract for default at no cost to the Owner or the FAA.

Federal Funding. The award of the contract is subject to approval of the Federal Aviation Administration and availability of federal funding. See instruction to bidders for additional information.

Any questions regarding bids are to be directed to:
Mead & Hunt, Inc.
ATTN: Josh Brelje, PE
Address: 2505 N. University Drive, Suite 100, Fargo, ND 58102
Phone: 1-701-552-9011
Email: josh.brelje@meadhunt.com

(March 17, 24, & 31, 2026)

BCMAA Hay Bid
The Barnes County Municipal Airport Authority Board of the County of Barnes will receive written bids for the standing hay on the Barnes County Airport until 4:00 p.m., April 2, 2026 at the office of the County Auditor. Bids are for a three (3) year period, payable annually. Hayland consists of approximately two hundred and twenty-five (225 (+/-)) acres of land.

Such bids to be sealed in an envelope marked: "Hay Bid" containing a check in the amount of Fifty and no/100 (\$50.00) payable to the Barnes County Municipal Airport Authority, of which the check will be returnable when the successful bidder signs the contract. All hay to be cut at the expense of the bidder and be removed from the Airport Manager.

Bidders have the right to attend the bid opening at the meeting of the BCMAA on Monday April 6, 12:00 p.m. at the VC Country Club, at which time bidders will have the right to raise their bids. BCMAA reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Bids may be mailed to: Barnes County Airport P.O. Box 2, Valley City, ND 58072.

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For further information, call 845-5903 - Airport Manager Mike Lerud.
Shawn Anderson
BCMAA Board Chair
(March 10, 17, & 24, 2026)

IN THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
COUNTY OF BARNES

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, SOUTH-EAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing,
Plaintiff,
v.

Alexia R. Laughlin and Alexander Jeffrey Smith and First National Bank of Omaha and DCI Credit Services Inc., and any person in possession,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF REAL ESTATE SALE
CIVIL NUMBER: 02-2025-CV-00177

1. Judgment in the amount of \$266,500.42, having been entered in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendants, which Judgment was filed with the Clerk of Courts of Barnes County, North Dakota, on December 8, 2025, for the foreclosure of a real estate mortgage.

2. Notice is hereby given pursuant to said Judgment that the real property described as:

Lot Four (4), in Block One (1), of Rosseland and Thompson's Addition to the City of Valley City, Barnes County, North Dakota, according to the certified plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Register of Deeds in and for said County and State.

Real Property address: 1224 Central Ave N, Valley City, ND 58072

The above real property is the subject of the Mortgage dated August 12, 2022, which Mortgages, Alexia R. Laughlin, Alexander Jeffrey Smith, executed and delivered to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for First International Bank & Trust, its successors and assigns and recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Barnes County, North Dakota, on August 15, 2022, Instrument Number 297466, which is subject to the entered Judgment. Said Mortgage was assigned to Plaintiff, its successors or assigns, by Assignment of Mortgage recorded January 17, 2025, Instrument Number 302036.

3. In order to realize the amount of \$266,500.42, as of December 8, 2025, plus interest accruing thereafter on said amount as awarded by the court, together with the costs and expenses of sale, will be sold subject to redemption as provided by law as one parcel of land at public auction, subject to the lien for unpaid real estate taxes and assessments of Barnes County, North Dakota, and easements and restrictions of record, to the highest bidder for cash under the direction of the Sheriff of Barnes County, North Dakota, at the main entrance of the Barnes County Courthouse located at 230 4th Street NW, Valley City, North Dakota 58072-0774, on April 14, 2026 ("Sale Date"), at 11:00 AM.

4. If the sale is set aside for reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

DATED This 23 day of February, 2026.
SHERIFF OF BARNES COUNTY
Randy McClaffin Sheriff
By: Randy McClaffin Sheriff / Deputy Sheriff of Barnes Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C.
By /s/ Tyler S. Wirick
Tyler S. Wirick
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376 East 400 South, Suite 300
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ND Bar: 10014

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Barnes County - Planning And Zoning

Minutes - February 10, 2026
Members Present: Mike Schwehr, Jeff Erickson, Darrel Brudevold, Scott Legge, Bill Carlblom, Dave Carlsrud, Vern Roorda Also Present: Jessica Jenrich

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

Motion by Carlblom, seconded by Brudevold to approve the January 13, 2026 minutes. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed for Ryan Torbenson for a Structure Setback Variance of 123' from the center of Barnes County 21. No one appeared to protest. Schwehr reopened the meeting for discussion. Motion by Carlblom, seconded by Roorda to approve the request from Torbenson as there was a previous building there and Jamie at the highway department saw no issue for a building to go back in that spot as the previous building was destroyed by the June storm. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMIT REVIEW
Ryan Torbenson - House - 5.34 acres of NE1/4, 16-139-58, Marsh Twp; John & Bobbi Suhr - House - 10 acres of SE1/4, 12-141-58, Getchell Twp

Jenrich filled the board in on the upcoming March meeting and the hearing for the Hog farm and stated she sent out the application for them all to take a look at so they are all prepared for the March meeting.

Motion by Brudevold, seconded by Roorda to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.
Jessica Jenrich, P&Z Administrator

(March 17, 2026)

**VALLEY CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Regular School Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 18, 2026,
5:30 PM**

LOCATION: Central Office Conference Room
AGENDA:

Call Meeting to Order and Recognition of Audience
Pledge of Allegiance
Recognition of Students and/or Staff Members
Public Comment
Approval of Agenda
Consent Agenda

Review and Consider Approval on Payment of the Bills
Review and Consider Approval on Previous Board Minutes

February 11, 2026 (Regular Meeting)
March 3, 2026 (Special Meeting)
Receive the Financial Report
General Fund- February 2026
Health Fund- February 2026

Continuous Improvement (i.e. Accreditation, Board Development, District Goals, and Strategic Plan)
A. Review and Progress Report on Student Outcome Goals 2023-2028 and Strategic Plan Focus Goals

Reports
Committee Reports
Finance
Activity
Health Insurance
Executive

Supervisor Report
School Facility Project 2028 Report
Secondary Principal Report
Items for Discussion and Possible Action

Out-of-State Travel Request- Robotics Reduction-in-Force Agreements
Teaching Positions for 2026-2027
Superintendent Evaluation Comments
Essential Health Sponsorship Agreement

Petition for Representative Organization for Teacher Negotiations- VCEA
Teacher Negotiation Strategy (Executive Session Per NDCC 44-04-19.1 (9))

Next Meetings Date/Time
Regular School Board Meeting-
Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 5:30 PM
Adjourn

(March 17, 2026)

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guess who!

I am an actress born in England on March 18, 1989. I began acting at age two on a BBC television show. I gained success in America for various roles on TV and in movies. My most recent role involves a fish-out-of-water scenario set in Paris. My dad is a famous musician.

Answer: Lily Collins

CRYPTOQUIP

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RTFR.

TODAY'S CLUE: R = S

ANSWER: NEED TO SET PRIORITIES? CONSULT A PIANO TECHNICIAN. THEY'RE SKILLED AT ADDRESSING KEY ISSUES.

St. Jude Novena

To St. Jude, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in Miracles, near kinsman and Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need.

To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to who God has given such great power to come to my assistance.

Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make known your name and cause you to be involved. St. Jude, Pray for us and all who invoke your aid.

Amen
Say three (3) Our Fathers, three (3) Hail Mary's and Glory Be.
Publication must be promised. My request has been granted.
Say this Novena on nine (9) consecutive days.

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