

# GRANT COUNTY

## 2026 Primary Election Abstract of Votes

	write-in - scattered	2				2	
	Total	153				153	
School Board Member Elgin-New Leipzig SD	Christina Caruthers	195	86		83	26	
	Amanda Petrick	195	67		78	50	
	Chris Zimmerman	395	165		158	72	
	write-in - scattered	46	26		15	5	
	Total	831	344		334	153	
School Board Member Roosevelt SD	Jennifer Hauge	228	127	89			12
	Carmel Miller	211	114	87			10
	write-in - scattered	18	16	2			0
	Total	457	257	178			22

### Grant County Measures Abstract of Votes North Dakota Primary Election - June 9, 2026

		Total	193101	193102	193103	193104	193105
Constitutional Measure No. 1 relating to constitutional amendments be comprised of a single subject	Yes	568	292	62	135	71	8
	No	213	126	34	40	9	4
	Total	781	418	96	175	80	12
County Measure No. 1 19 - Grant	Yes	410	206	39	114	50	1
	No	409	234	61	66	36	12
	Total	819	440	100	180	86	13
City Measure 1 Leith	Yes	9					9
	No	3					3
	Total	12					12
School District Measure 1 Elgin-New Leipzig SD	Yes	453	184		183	86	
	No	15	11		4	0	
	Total	468	195		187	86	

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## Commission Proceedings

### Regular Meeting May 20, 2026

Chairman Zenker called the May 20, 2026 meeting of the Grant County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. All present honored our nation by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Public present: None.

Commissioner Meyer asked for follow-up on farm residence exemption for mobile homes be discussed under old business. Commissioner Hochhalter asked about location of a fence and gates on a section line be added to the agenda. Commissioner Hochhalter moved to approve agenda, seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye.

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve May 6, 2026 Board of Commissioner meeting minutes. All present voting aye. Minutes approved.

Old business: Commissioner Meyer said he received a phone call from a mobile home owner who had submitted an application for farm residence exemption, and has not been informed if they qualify. Meyer asked Jackie Steinmetz, Director of Tax Equalization if the mobile home was exemption as a farm residence. Steinmetz said an Affidavit of Affixation has not been recorded for the mobile home cannot be exempt. Meyer said we are playing one law against the other, and in his opinion, the mobile is a farm residence and should be exempt. Auditor Meier read a portion of the January 21, 2026 minutes in which Meier stated "a mobile home can be exempt if the owners also own the land upon which the mobile home is located, and the occupant otherwise qualifies for the exemption." Steinmetz stated mobile homes are treated differently.

Commissioner Hochhalter inquired if gates could be placed as the end of a section line so grazing of the section line could be done if both adjacent parties agree. Grant Walker, States Attorney recommended a letter of request be sent to the Board of Commissioners.

New business: Hochhalter moved to approve bills totaling \$43,540.84. Seconded by Meyer. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Bills approved.

A&S Country Market .....36.85  
Amanda Dahners .....491.06

Ashley Jochim .....	57.60
Burleigh-Morton Detention Center .....	575.00
CHS Inc .....	6,121.78
Dakota Grain & Livestock Supply Inc .....	98.75
Drug and Alcohol Testing Network LLC.....	50.00
Elgin City .....	36.00
Elgin True Value .....	74.18
Farm & Home Supply ...	143.88
Gas & Gears LLC .....	35.95
Hotsy Equipment Co. ....	81.00
Jacobson Memorial Hospital .....	47.00
Jared Fischer .....	152.70
Julie Fischer .....	132.43
Napa Auto Parts Glen Ullin .....	322.37
Nutrien Ag Solutions .....	29,184.00
Tessa Osterbauer .....	29.48
Otis Elevator Co .....	175.00
Plant Perfect .....	2,520.00
Sauber Engineering Inc .....	2,056.40
Uniform Center .....	394.97
Wells Fargo Vendor Financial .....	612.02
Sara Meier .....	112.42

Treasurer's report was reviewed. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to renew CD 3702 with First International Bank & Trust for 13 months, and increase the base amount to \$250,000. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to approve Beer License for on- and off-sale at the Red Rock Resort for 2026. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Permit approved.

Motion made by Hochhalter and seconded by Meyer to approve gaming site application for Dogtooth Antique Tractor Club for a raffle drawing on June 27, 2026. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Permit approved.

John Sauber, Sauber Engineering, Inc. met with the Board to discuss bid openings and projects. Additional information from the possible awardee of Project No. 2026-03 2026 Graveling was held on April 22, 2026 was presented. Alternatives are being discussed. Harris Construction requested to withdraw their bid, which was the lowest bid. Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter for Harris to withdraw bid. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

and seconded by Hochhalter to award Wm. D. Scepaniak as contractor the Project No. 2026-03 2026 Graveling. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Meyer and seconded by Hochhalter to adjust easement and right of way acquisition rates for bridge projects to reflect irrigatable lands. Irrigatable lands valued at \$6400 per acre, cropland at \$2200 per acre, non-cropland at \$1600, and temporary easement at \$220 per acres. Roll call vote - Meyer - aye, Hochhalter - aye, Zenker - aye. Motion carried.

The Board requested documents for the changes in true and full value which will be presented to the June 3, 2026 County Board of Equalization by close of day on May 26, 2026, so proper consideration may be given to the property owners.

Being no further business, Zenker adjourned meeting at 12:20 pm. FYI: next scheduled meetings will be June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026. County Board of Equalization will meet on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 at 1:00 pm.

/s/Alton Zenker  
Alton Zenker, Chairman  
/s/Sara Meier  
Sara Meier, Auditor  
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### Canvassing Board June 9, 2026 Primary Election Meeting Minutes

The 2026 Primary Canvassing Board convened in the Commissioner Room of the Grant County Courthouse at 2:00 p.m. on June 22, 2026.

Members present were: Board of County Commissioner Chairman Alton Zenker, Deputy Recorder/Clerk of Court Katrina Hummel, Joan Bahm, Donna Vandenburg, Amber Reis and County Auditor Sara Meier acting Election Administrator/Secretary.

Alton Zenker serving as Chairman called the Canvassing Board to Order at 2:02 p.m. Donna Vandenburg serving as Vice Chairman, administered the Oath of Office to Chairman Zenker. Chairman Zenker administered to Oath of Office to Katrina Hummel, Joan Bahm, Donna Vandenburg, and Amber Reis.

Meier described the responsibilities of the Board 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.

There were four absentee ballots requiring action. Bahm made the motion to reject two absentee ballots that were received by the County Auditor's office on June 10, 2026. Legislation passed by the 2025 North Dakota Legislative Assembly requires absentee ballots are received by close of polls on election day. Motion seconded by Vandenburg. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Hummel made the motion to reject the absentee ballot which did not have a signature on the affidavit envelope. The voter had until the convening of the Canvassing Board to cure their ballot. Motion seconded by Bahm. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Vandenburg made the motion to accept the absentee ballot which was cured for a mismatch signature. Motion seconded by Hummel. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Ballot was initiated by Katina Hummel. One ballot was added for a total of 864 ballot cast for the 2026 Primary Election.

The Board began the write-in review for the contest that had sufficient write-in candidates to warrant review. To be assigned, the write-in candidate must have at least the number of entries as needed on the petition to seek candidacy. For county offices it is 2% of the vote cast in the last general election for the office, and for city and schools it is 10% of the total votes cast for the contest.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Vandenburg to approve 103 votes cast for Alton Zenker for the Grant County Commissioner District 3. Zenker abstained for voting. All

others voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Hummel and seconded by Vandenburg to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to approve 124 votes cast for Sara Meier, and 28 votes cast for Jason Albert for the Grant County Auditor/Treasurer. Hummel and Reis abstained from voting as their names appear in the write-ins. All others voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Hummel to accept the contest results for Grant County State's Attorney contest. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results for Grant County Recorder/Clerk of Court contest. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hummel and seconded by Vandenburg to approve 215 votes cast for Austin Dahl for the Grant County Sheriff. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hummel and seconded by Reis to approve 47 votes cast for Ron Bartz, and 13 votes cast for Ron Fischer for the Mayor of City of Elgin. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Hummel to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results Mayor of City of Leith. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Hummel to approve 17 votes cast for Bailey Stewart for council member for the City of Carson. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Hummel to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Reis seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results for the council member for the City of New Leipzig. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results for the council member for the City of Elgin. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hummel seconded by Vandenburg to accept the contest results for the council member for the City of Leith. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Reis to approve 26 votes cast for Rick Michels for Municipal Judge of the City of Elgin. Hummel abstained from voting as her name appears as a write-in. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Hummel to approve 7 votes cast for Val Reis, 6 votes cast for Greg Haman, and 6 votes cast for Terra Zenker for City of Carson Park Board. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Bahm to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Reis to approve 39 votes cast for Sadie Brackel, 36 votes cast for Brittney Klein for City of Elgin Park Board. Hummel abstained from voting due to relation on ballot. All others in favor voting aye. Motion carried. Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Reis to accept the contest results. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Vandenburg to accept results of the City of New Leipzig Park Board. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Hummel to accept results of the Elgin New Leipzig School Board. Results are subject to recount for second candidate determination. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hummel and seconded by Bahm to accept results of the Roosevelt School Board. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bahm and seconded by Reis to accept results of the Constitutional Measure No.1. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vandenburg and seconded by Hummel to accept results of the County Measure No.1. Results are subject to recount. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Reis and seconded by Bahm to accept results of the Leith City Measure No.1. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hummel and seconded by Vandenburg to accept results of the Elgin New Leipzig School Measure No.1. All in favor voting aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. MT

/s/Sara Meier  
Sara Meier,  
Grant County Auditor  
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# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Invitation for Prime Vendor Bid School Foodservice

Elgin-New Leipzig Public School District is seeking sealed bids from qualified vendors to provide prime vendor foodservice for the 2026-2027 school year (August through May). The contract will include the supply and delivery of food products, beverages, and related items to the district school.

Bid packets, including specifications and requirements, will be available beginning July 7, 2026, at 110 West St. N., Elgin, ND. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Prime Vendor Foodservice Bid" and received no later than July 20, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at the Office of the Business Manager, at which time a public bid opening will be held. Late submissions will not be accepted.

The Elgin-New Leipzig School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities in the bidding process.

For more information, please contact Gayle Beyer, Business Manager or Sam Martin at 701-584-2374.

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# Call for Bids

Elgin/New Leipzig Public School District is soliciting bids for approximately 350 tons (more or less) of coal for the 2026-2027 school year. It should be delivered in 25-32 ton loads approximately once a week during the heart of winter. Bids may be submitted for the following:

- "Coal only bid"
- "Coal and hauling bid" - delivered and unloaded price
- "Coal hauling only bid" - delivered and unloaded price

The contract with the successful bidder may include an escalation clause for changes in the price of fuel for delivery of the coal. Any variance in bid price due to an escalation clause must be stated with specific conditions.

Bids will be opened at the regular July board meeting, beginning at approximately 7:30 p.m. MDT, on July 2, 2026 at the Elgin/New Leipzig High School ITV Room. at the Elgin/New Leipzig High School. Bids must be received by July 20, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Each bid should be sealed and marked as "Coal Bid." Submit bids to: Gayle Beyer, Business Manager, Elgin/New Leipzig Public School District #49, P.O. Box 70, Elgin, ND 58533.

The School Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or accept such bids as they deem in the best interest of the School District. The District is an equal opportunity employer.

Gayle Beyer  
Business Manager

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