

Public & Legal Notices are also free to view on our website at farmersindependent.com**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
PARK ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

City of Bagley will receive sealed Bids for the "Park Road Improvement" project until 10:00 a.m., December 2nd, 2025, at the City of Bagley City Hall, located at 18 Main Avenue South, Bagley, MN 56621 at which time all Bids will be publicly opened, and read aloud.

Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations: the office of the City Clerk at Bagley City Hall located at 18 Main Avenue South, Bagley, MN 56621 and at the office of Karvakko Engineering, Inc., 210 24th Street NW, Suite 100, Bemidji, MN 56601.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 by inputting the Quest Project #9944881 on the website's project search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of project documents is also available for a non-refundable price of \$75.00 per set which includes shipping. Please make check payable to "Karvakko Engineering, Inc." and send it to 210 24th Street NW, Suite 100, Bemidji, MN 56601. Please contact us at (218) 444-8004 if you have any questions. **The Project involves:**

Base Bid:

Mobilization - 1 Lump Sum; Remove Bituminous Pavement - 991 Square Yards; Salvage Sign - 2 Each; Dozer - 10 Hours; Water-Dust Control - 100 Mgal; Aggregate Base Class 5 - 298 Tons; Type 9.5 Wearing Course Mixture (3,B) - 452 Tons; Traffic Control - 1 Lump Sum; Install Sign - 2 Each; Storm Drain Inlet Protection - 1 Each; Filter Berm, Type 4 - 30 Linear Feet; 4" Solid Line Paint (White Latex) - 180 Linear Feet

Alternate #1:

Salvage Bollard - 2 Each; Remove Bituminous Pavement - 183 Square Yards; Aggregate Base Class 5 - 59 Tons; Type 9.5 Wearing Course Mixture (3,B) - 350 Tons; Install Bollard - 2 Each; Sediment Control Log Type Rock - 98 Linear Feet; 4" Solid Line Paint (White Latex) - 615 Linear Feet; Pavement Marking Special - 70 Square Feet

Minimum wage rates to be paid by the Contractors have been predetermined and are subject to the Work Hours Act of 1962, P.L. 87-581 and implementing regulations.

BID SECURITY

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid guaranty in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid. The bid guaranty may be by certified check or bid bond made payable to the City of Bagley.

RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR

No construction contract will be awarded unless the Bidder is a "responsible contractor" as defined in Minnesota statute 16C.285, subdivision 3. All Bidders submitting a proposal for this project must verify that they meet the minimum criteria specified in the statute by submitting a Responsible Contractor Verification and Certification of Compliance form (attached) with their bid. The owner or officer of the company must sign the form under oath verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria. Making a false statement under oath will render the Bidder or subcontractor that makes the false statement ineligible to be awarded a construction project and may result in termination of a contract awarded to a Bidder or subcontractor that submits a false statement.

READ CAREFULLY THE WAGE SCALES AND DIVISION A OF THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS THEY AFFECT THIS PROJECT

The Minnesota Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders: in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Act), as amended and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, it will affirmatively assure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded maximum opportunity to participate and/or to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability, age, sex or national origin in consideration for an award;

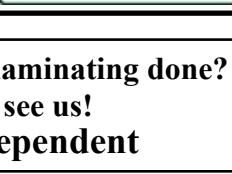
in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, and Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 230 Subpart A-Equal Employment Opportunity on Federal and Federal-Aid Construction Contracts (including supportive services), it will affirmatively assure increased participation of minority groups and disadvantaged persons and women in all phases of the highway construction industry, and that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be provided to all persons without regard to their race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.08 Unfair discriminatory Practices, it will affirmatively assure that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be offered to all persons without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, membership or activity in a local commission, disability, sexual orientation, or age;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.36 Certificates of Compliance for Public Contracts, and 363A.37 Rules for Certificates of Compliance, it will assure that appropriate parties to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement possess valid Certificates of Compliance.

Lyle Mathison, City Clerk

November 5, 2025

**NOTICE
to the Residents of
NORA TOWNSHIP**

The Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 10th at 7:00pm. The Meeting will be at the Bagley Senior Center
-Karla Netland
Treasurer

Veterans

Are welcome to join their peers at the D&R Café in Bagley on Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. for coffee and a chat.

**Senior
Transportation
Service**

Clearwater County residents who are 60 & over. Rides are scheduled Monday-Friday. 48-hour notice required. Call 218-888-2320 to schedule.

**This project is made possible in part under the Federal Older Americans Act through an award from the Land of the Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging under an Area Plan approved by the Minnesota Board on Aging.

**Clearwater County
Food Shelf Hours**

Clearwater County Food Shelf is open every Wednesday from 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Bagley American Legion (go to the back door).

Monetary contributions can be mailed to Clearwater County Food Shelf, PO Box 578, Bagley, MN 56621.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Food Shelf on Wednesdays.

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Need copies made or laminating done?
Stop in and see us!
Farmers Independent

ISD #162 Current Job Openings

***Director of Community Education** position open immediately. Position requires a BA/BS degree and Minnesota Community Education Director Licensure. Seeking a qualified and motivated individual, supervisory experience preferred, salary range \$64,000 to \$75,793. Comprehensive benefits package included. Please submit your resume, cover letter, references and proof of licensure.

***Speech and Language Pathologist** position opening for the 2025-2026 School Year. Proper Minnesota licensure is required. Starting salary with proper licensure: \$55,432 and follows the Teacher's Master Agreement Salary Schedule. Comprehensive benefits package included. Please submit your resume, cover letter, references and proof of licensure.

***Elementary Long Term Sub Teacher** Position opening through December 2025. Proper Minnesota licensure is required and experience is preferred. Wages start at \$150 a day.

***Substitute Teacher** opportunities are available. Applicants should submit their teaching license (or substitute licensure with a 4-year degree) and resume. Full day rate of pay is \$150.

Interested applicants should send a resume, teaching credentials, letter of interest, three letters of recommendation and a copy of college transcripts to Nichole M. Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

***Native American Home School Liaison** position openings. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either two or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam. Wages starting at \$16.48/hr.

***Paraeducator** position openings. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes a High School Diploma or equivalent and either 2 or more years of college/an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam. Wages starting at \$16.48/hr.

***Substitute Para** opportunities are available. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes a High School Diploma or equivalent and either 2 or more years of college/an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam. Wages starting at \$16.48/hr.

***Substitute Food Service Support Staff** a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Wages starting at \$15.46/hr.

***Food Service Support Staff** opening. Currently accepting applications for 3 hour food service support staff. A high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Wages starting at \$15.46/hr.

***Full Time Custodian** position opening. High School Diploma is required. Pay ranges from \$16.72-\$23.08 depending on experience and qualifications.

***Assistant Varsity Hockey Coach** opportunities are available. Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, resume of coaching and playing experiences and three references to Nichole M. Ekre.

***Youth Rec Activities Coordinator** part time opening. Responsible for the development, implementation and organization of youth sports and activities programs. Hours are based upon program needs and must be flexible, including evenings and weekends. Knowledge of sports and activities preferred. Pay is \$8,000.

Application forms may be downloaded from the District Website bagley.k12.mn.us, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. For more information, please call Nichole Ekre at 218-694-6184.

***All successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled.**

IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD NOTICE

This will affect your 2026 property taxes and eligibility for Property Tax Refund.

Have you purchased or moved into a property in the past year?

Contact your county assessor to file a homestead application if you or a qualifying relative occupy the property as a homestead on or before December 31, 2025.

What is a qualifying relative?

For unoccupied agricultural property, a qualifying relative includes the child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or owner's spouse.

For occupied agricultural or residential property, a qualifying relative also includes the owner's uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece.

When do I apply?

You must apply on or before December 31, 2025.

Once homestead is granted, annual applications are not necessary unless they are requested by the county assessor.

Contact the assessor by December 31, 2025 if the use of the property you own or occupy as a qualifying relative has changed during the past year.

If you sell, move, or for any reason no longer qualify for the homestead classification, you are required to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change in homestead status.

Clearwater County Assessor's Office (218) 694-6260

STATE OF MINNESOTA**COUNTY OF****CLEARWATER IN****NINTH JUDICIAL****DISTRICT****DISTRICT COURT**

Court File No. 15-PR-25-473

In Re: Estate of Shirley L. Belffy, Decedent

**NOTICE AND ORDER
FOR HEARING ON****PETITION FOR FORMAL****ADJUDICATION****OF INTESTACY,****DETERMINATION****OF HEIRSHIP, AND****APPOINTMENT****OF PERSONAL****REPRESENTATIVE AND****NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

It is ordered and notice is given that on December 5, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. a hearing will be held at 213 Main Ave. N, Ste. 303, Bagley, MN 56621 for the formal adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and the appointment of Yvette Olson, 10440 Irvine Ave. NW, Bemidji, Minnesota, 56601 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition should be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing.

NOTE: You will need to pay

STATE OF MINNESOTA**COUNTY OF****CLEARWATER****NINTH JUDICIAL****DISTRICT COURT**

Court File No. 15-PR-25-487

Case Type: Informal Probate

In Re Estate of:

**Jerry Lee Hanson, Decedent
(Deceased Person)**

NOTICE OF INFORMAL AP-**POINTMENT OF****PERSONAL****REPRESENTATIVE AND****NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

(Without a will)

TO ALL INTERESTED**PERSONS AND CREDITORS:**

Notice is hereby given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Probate Registrar. No Will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Probate Registrar has informally appointed the following: Lori Ann Lewis, whose address is 1018 Amber Court NW, Bagley MN 56621

a filing fee when you file the objection. If you cannot afford the fee, you can ask for a fee waiver (see <http://mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=19&p=69>).

If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: October 23, 2025.
Eric P. Schieferdecker,
District Court Judge
Kaitlyn Engelmeyer,
Deputy

Ashley M. Boomgaarden
D.A. Buehler Law, P.C.
120 1/2 2nd St. NW
PO Box 85
Fosston, MN, 56542
Attorney License No: 0403504

Telephone: (218) 435-1900
FAX: (218) 435-1905
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE

as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as Personal Representative, or may object to the appointment of the Personal Representative. Unless objections are filed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-607, and the court otherwise orders, the Personal Representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Notice is also given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four (4) months after the date of the Notice, or the claims will be barred.

Dated: 10/29/25
Kaitlyn Engelmeyer
Probate Registrar
Carissa Schol

Public & Legal Notices

CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING August 18, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called by Clerk Bodensteiner at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Scott Abel, Randy Bodensteiner, Corey Petterson, Ryan Solee, and Kayla Walberg. Absent: Robbie Pond and Vern Wittenberg. Also present: Superintendent Ryan Grow, Principal Josh Tharaldson, staff, and community members.

Discussion of the Commissioner's Review & Comment on Proposed Bond Referendum

The Review & Comment was presented. Discussion was held & questions were asked.

Community Comments

None

Approval of Agenda

MMS Petterson/Solee to approve agenda as presented. MCU

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

MMS Walberg/Abel to approve minutes as presented. MCU

07/21/25 – Regular Meeting

*Informational Items

Principals Report

Principal

CLEARBROOK-GONVICK SCHOOL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2311 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called by Chair Wittenberg at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of Quorum – Members present: Vern Wittenberg, Randy Bodensteiner, Kayla Walberg, Robbie Pond, and Corey Petterson (arrived @ 7:11 p.m.) Absent: Ryan Solee, and Scott Abel. Also present: Superintendent Ryan Grow, Principal Josh Tharaldson, staff, and community members.

Community Comments

A letter was read to the board for School Board Appreciation Month.

Spotlight on Education

Mr. Bettin gave highlights on events since the beginning of school.

Approval of Agenda

MMS Wittenberg/Walberg to approve agenda as presented. MCU

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

MMS Bodensteiner/Pond to approve minutes as presented. MCU

08/10/25 – Regular Meeting

*Informational Items

Principals Report

Principal

Tharaldson discussed the following items. **New Teacher Mentors** – Each new teacher will have a 1:1 mentor. All our 1st year teachers from 24-25 will have a mentor again this year. This program is funded through Title II. **School Leadership Team Meeting** – Was held on 8/12/25 to go over staff development plans, site goals & final changes before the school year begins. **Handbook Revisions** – All handbook revisions were reviewed. **Open Enrollment Data** – Caps and current numbers were reviewed.

***Superintendent Report** – Supt. Grow discussed the following items: 1) Personnel – A) Open Positions – Paraeducator (2), JH GBB Coach, Cheerleading Advisor, Asst Softball Coach, and JH Baseball Coach. B) Job Descriptions – Changes were reviewed. 2) Educational – A) READ Act – New requirements for 25-26, as well as Phase II requirements were reviewed. B) School Packets – Were mailed on 8/15/25. C) Referendum Facts Sheet – Dehler's flyer was reviewed. Will be mailed to resident households the week of September 1st. D) Current enrollment numbers for 25-26 – 478. These numbers do not

include School Readiness or other possible open enrollments. Last year we had 497 to start the school year. 3) Legislative – Nothing to report currently. 4) Financial – A) Ehlers Financial – They have provided the district with debt levy verification for taxes payable in 2026. The issue type is for our Health & Safety facilities maintenance principal & interest, which is \$1,008,525. This will be included in the preliminary levy certification in September. B) Grant – Our Technology Specialist, Tyler Gunn, has applied for a grant. We are eligible for up to \$40,000. His application would help defray the purchase of new student devices. We are currently waiting for response on the grant. 5) Building/Grounds – A) HS Gym Floor – Maintenance began on 8/5/25 & was completed in time for the start of Volleyball season. B) Entry Way Carpet – This project is completed. The anticipated cost for this is \$5,202.80. C) Lights – New lights for the outdoor school sign have not arrived yet, but the boring is complete. D) Signage – I am currently working on placing new signage around the interior of the school. We currently have several areas that lack proper signage for visitors

& subs. E) IAQ Project – The main completion date is 8/22/25, in time for in-service days & open house. There will still be a few items to be completed, but most of the project will be done by then. Commissioning has started & will take roughly the entire school year.

***Committee Report** – ***Negotiations** – Will have 3rd meeting tomorrow

***Consent Calendar** – MMS Petterson/Abel to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. This Consent Calendar includes both the corrected Treasurer's Report dated 6/30/25 & the regular Treasurer's Report dated 7/31/25 Consent Calendar as presented. MCU

***Approval of Bills**

Presented – All Funds

Payroll Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings:

74042-74060/Wires

Payroll Checks/Direct Deposit

None All Payroll was Direct Deposit

August Bills

Voucher Numbers: 74346-74435

Check Numbers: 7 4 0 6 1 - 74119

Total Payroll/Expense Checks

Approved: \$749,962.46

Approval of Electronic

Hall Meeting – Will be held at the school on 9/23/25 at 6:00 p.m. School tours will follow. D) Scouting America – Josh & I met with the Exploring Executive last week. This program provides 1 on 1 mentorships for youth looking to discover their future. E) MSBA Leadership Conference – Will be held 1/15/26-1/16/26. 3) Legislative – A) Education Organizations – Are beginning to speak with the Governor's staff & other key legislatures about topics they want to address in the next legislation. 4) Financial – A) Preliminary Levy Numbers (Not Official) – Preliminary numbers for Levy 2025 Payable 2026 look to have a decrease of \$291,767 from last year. B) Audit – We have not received our preliminary numbers yet, nor have a date for the board presentation. We are hopeful that they can present at the October meeting. 5) Building/Grounds – A) IAQ Project – The main store front doors in the media center leading to the courtyard are installed. The system is currently running, but we are still waiting on the part that controls the commons bathroom/ADSS area. The fire panel needs to be replaced, and we are waiting for that. Hardware for the service

***Superintendent Report** – Supt. Grow discussed the following items: 1) Personnel – A) Open Positions – Paraeducator, Cheerleading Advisor, Asst Softball Coach, and JH Baseball Coach. B) Township Contact – Board members were asked how contacting the townships regarding the referendum & the upcoming town hall meeting was going. 2) Educational – A) Concert Dates – Changes to the current school calendar were presented for discussion. B) Referendum Mailer – The fact sheet was mailed to households last week. The first eNews went out to staff & parents. C) Town

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doors need to be installed once they arrive. A final inspection should be conducted within the next few weeks if all the parts arrive as scheduled.

***Enrollment Report** – Enrollment as of 9/10/25 for grades K-12 is 463.

***Committee Report** – ***Negotiations** – Currently waiting on language. It appears to be going well.

***Consent Calendar** – MMS Wittenberg/Petterson to approve Consent Calendar as presented. MCU

***Approval of Bills**

Presented – All Funds

Payroll Expense Checks and Checks Written between Board Meetings:

74120-74139/Wires

Payroll Checks/Direct Deposit

0030525/Direct Deposit

September Bills

Voucher Numbers: 74530-74665

Check Numbers: 7 4 1 4 0 - 74216

Total Payroll/Expense Checks

Approved: \$698,419.28

Approval of Electronic Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Accept/Approve Donations

Student Activity Report

Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

Approval of Treasurer's Report

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Student Activity Report

***Old Business** –

***New Business**

Consider Hiring Julie

Brossart as Special Education

Paraeducator – MMS

Bodensteiner/Petterson to

approve hire. MCU

Consider Approving the

Job Descriptions/Duties for the

Following Positions: PreK-

6 Behavior Interventionist,

School Resource Officer,

and Concessions Manager – MMS

Abel/Solee to approve. MCU

Consider Approving the

Memorandum of Understanding

between Clearwater County

Sheriff's Department & ISD

2311 – This agreement is good

for the 25-26 & 26-27 school

years. MMS Peterson/Solee to

approve. MCU

Consider Approving

Revisions/Additions to the

Board Handbook – MMS

Petterson/Solee to

approve. MCU

Consider Approving

Revisions/Additions to the

High School Handbook – MMS

Walberg/Solee to

approve. MCU

Consider Approving

Revisions/Additions to the

Elementary Handbook – MMS

Petterson/Bodensteiner to

approve. MCU

Consider Approving

Revisions/Additions to the

Salary Lane Advancement for

Peyton Dingman – MMS Pond/

Petterson to

approve. MCU

Consider Hiring Steve Marsh

as JH Girls Basketball Coach for

the 2025-2026 Season – MMS

Walberg/Pond to

approve. MCU

Consider Adopting a

Resolution Appointing Election

Judges for the November 4,

2025, School District Special

Election – MMS Petterson/

Wittenberg to

approve. Roll Call Vote: Bodensteiner-Yes, Petterson-Yes, Pond-Yes, Walberg-Yes, Wittenberg-Yes. MCU

Consider Approving an

FMLA Leave Request for Bailey

Watne – MMS Wittenberg/

Bodensteiner to

approve. Roll Call Vote: Bodensteiner-Yes, Petterson-Yes, Pond-Yes, Walberg-Yes, Wittenberg-Yes. MCU

Consider Approving an

FMLA Leave Request for Jamie

Hammes – MMS Walberg/

Wittenberg to

approve. Roll Call Vote: Bodensteiner-Yes, Petterson-Yes, Pond-Yes, Walberg-Yes, Wittenberg-Yes. MCU

Consider Approving a Salary

Lane Advancement for Abigail

Ek – MMS Walberg/Wittenberg

to

approve. MCU

Consider Approving a Salary

Lane Advancement for Stacey

Mendick – MMS Bodensteiner/

Petterson to

approve. MCU