

CITY OF MINNETRISTA



CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

Subject: **Appointing Election Judges for 2026 State Primary and General Elections**

Prepared By: **Ann Meyerhoff, City Clerk**

Meeting Date: **June 15, 2026**

Issue:

Appointment of Election and Absentee Judges for the 2024 State Primary Election to be held August 11, 2026 and General Election to be held November 3, 2026.

Background:

Minnesota Election Law 204B.21 requires that the governing body of the municipality appoint election judges to administer the polling places at least 25 days before each election. The State Primary will be held August 11, 2026 and Early Voting beginning July 24, 2026 at City Hall. The General Election will be held on November 3, 2026 with Early Voting beginning October 16, 2026.

The attached resolution (Exhibit A) lists the persons intended to serve as Election Judges and/or Early Voting Judges. When assigning the judges to a precinct, we will maintain the party balance in each precinct and on our absentee board as required by statutes. The City will be using election judges that will be required to complete 2 hours of training.

Election Judges that attend training and/or serves as an election judge will be compensated \$12.50 per hour. Head Judges will be compensated \$13.00 per hour for hours worked. Both positions are without benefits.

I am also requesting, as the City Clerk/Elections Administrator, to have the authority to add, replace or substitute judges as necessary before each Election.

Conclusion:

Mission Statement:

The City of Minnetrista will deliver quality services in a cost effective and innovative manner and provide opportunities for a high quality of life while protecting natural resources and maintaining a rural character.

Approval of Resolution No.70-26 Appointing Election and Absentee Judges for the 2026 State Primary and General Elections and Authorize the City Clerk / Election Administrator to add, replace or substitute judges as necessary before each election.

Recommended City Council Action: Staff recommends approval of Resolution No.70-26 Appointing Election and Absentee Judges for the 2026 State Primary General Elections and Authorize the City Clerk/Election Administrator to add, replace or substitute judges as necessary before each election.

Does Recommended Action meet City Mission Statement? Yes No

Does Recommended Action meet City Goals/Priorities? Yes No

Explain:

Mission Statement:

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EXHIBIT A

ELECTION JUDGES / ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD JUDGES FOR THE 2026 PRIMARY & GENERAL ELECTIONS

City Staff Election Officials

- Ann Meyerhoff, Election Administrator
- Paula Bauman, Election Official
- Darci Atkinson, Election Official
- Renae Neumann, Election Official
- Angie Boll, Election Official
- Hennepin County appointed Absentee Ballot Board Judges

Election Judges/Absentee Ballot Board members

Dawn Anderson
Cynthia Axness
Katie Broich
Chris Carlson
John Cavlfield
Guy Doot
Fawn Gage
Peter Hall
Tracy Inglis
Kristin Johnson
Jessica Marvin
Michael McClure
Sue Mills
Becky Moen
Cindy Notch
Kristin Pardue
Carol Parrish
Karen Peschel
Melissa Pickert
Suzanne Polkey-Berg
Jolyn Reading
Susan Richardson
Nina Richter
Joel Ronning
Joan Sandquist
Kathleen Soshnik
Cathy Stepanek
Anna Williams
Lisa Winkey
Mollie Wise

RESOLUTION NO. 70-26

CITY OF MINNETRISTA

**APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES AND ABSENTEE BALLOT BOARD
ELECTION JUDGES FOR THE STATE PRIMARY AUGUST 11, 2026 AND
GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2026**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Election Law 204B.21 requires that persons serving as election judges and absentee judges be appointed by the Council at least 25 days before the election; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Election Law 203B.121 requires the establishment and appoint election judges to an absentee ballot board for the purpose of accepting and rejecting ballot envelopes for each election in accordance with the procedures set forth in state statutes and rules; and

WHEREAS, The City of Minnetrista contains four (4) precincts: Minnetrista P-01A with the polling place located at the Mound-Westonka District Education Center, Minnetrista P-02A with the polling place located at Minnetrista City Hall, Minnetrista P-03A with the polling place located at Minnetrista Baptist Church and Minnetrista P-04A with the polling place located at Minnetrista Police Training Room.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Minnetrista, that the individuals named in Exhibit A, and on file in the office of the City Clerk be appointed as the Election Judges and Absentee Ballot Board Judges based on 2 hours of election judge training; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Minnetrista City Council also appoints other individuals and members appointed to the Hennepin County Absentee Ballot Board as authorized under Minnesota § 204B.21 Subd. 2 under the direction of the Election Administrator to server as members of the Minnetrista Absentee Ballot Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that those election judges who attend trainings and/or serve on Election Day be paid a wage of \$12.50 per hour with no benefits and Head Judges will be paid an additional \$.50 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Minnetrista City Council that the City Clerk/Election Administrator is authorized to administratively amend the official appointments in order to fill vacancies and maintain party balance as required by Minnesota § 204B.21, Subd. 2.

This resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Minnetrista on the 15th day of June 2026, by a vote of _____Ayes and _____Nays.

Mayor Lisa Whalen

ATTEST:

Ann Meyerhoff
City Clerk