

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF BEULAH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 16, 2026

CITY OF BEULAH MARCH 16, 2026, 6:30 PM BEULAH CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Sean Cheatley with Council Members Adam Baker, Cameron Brown, Bill Keller, Kevin Herrmann, Tim Aichele, Jason Isaak and Kameron Plienis present.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, City Engineer Jerod Klabunde, Asst. Engineer Aidan Kelly, Econ/Op Dir. Beaver Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, City Auditor Heather Ferebee, City Residents.

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Keller moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting on March 2, 2026 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Plienis seconded. A statement will be added to the council minutes. Roll call vote found Keller, Plienis, Aichele, Baker and Brown in favor. Herrmann and Isaak abstained. Motion passed.

Isaak moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Council meeting on March 4, 2026 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Baker seconded. A change was made. Roll call vote found Isaak, Baker, Aichele, Brown, Plienis and Keller in favor. Herrmann abstained.

Baker moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Council meeting on March 9, 2026 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Isaak seconded. Roll call vote found Baker, Isaak, Aichele, Brown, Plienis, Herrmann and Keller in favor.

CITY ENGINEER City Engineer

Main Street Phase II public meeting

on March 4 had approximately fifty people in attendance. They are seeking public input at this time.

Northside Street Project: Moore Engineering would like the advertisement for bids to take place followed by opening the bids on April 9, 2026.

Aichele moved to approve the Northside Street Project Final Plans and Specifications contingent on final details of the meeting tomorrow. Isaak seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Isaak, Baker, Brown, Plienis, Herrmann and Keller in favor.

Aichele moved to direct the City Auditor to Advertise for Bids for the Northside Street Project. Baker seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Baker, Isaak, Brown, Plienis, Herrmann and Keller in favor.

Klabunde commented on the need to have separate motions for the Department of Water Resources cost share applications, and he confirmed the dollar amounts needed for the applications.

Isaak made a motion approving the City Auditor to work with Moore Engineering to develop and submit DWR cost share applications for the Emergency Action Plan (EAP) in the amount of \$20,000. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Isaak, Keller, Aichele, Baker, Brown, Plienis and Herrmann in favor.

Plienis made a motion approving the City Auditor to work with Moore Engineering to develop and submit DWR cost share applications for the Geotechnical Report on the Dry Dam in the amount of \$80,000. Aichele seconded. Roll call vote found Plienis, Aichele, Isaak, Baker, Brown, Herrmann and Keller in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Olivia Akin, CVB Chairwomen, explained that the CVB was served with a civil administrative complaint by the Attorney General. The individuals are then given the opportunity to

respond. After the response is reviewed, a recommendation is issued, and the Attorney General's Office makes a final decision. The CVB has retained counsel who have been communicating with the AG's Office. No one has been charged with a crime and the license to conduct gaming has not been suspended. Charitable gaming has been important for Beulah. Akin presented a list of charitable donations beginning in 2022 to the City of Beulah and other organizations. The CVB Board is comprised of real people who volunteer their time. She requested that individuals stop personally attacking members of the community who work and serve selflessly.

COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Council Member Aichele

Arbor Day is set for April 24 at Beulah Elementary School.

A deed for Riverside Park was found, and it is determined that the City of Beulah owns the park. Solem stated Moore Engineering may need to look at the deed as it is listed in meets and bounds. The City would need to maintain access to utilities if the ownership would change.

Council Member Baker

WBI Natural Gas Pipeline – This pipeline will be installed along Hwy. 200. MDU will tie onto it later pending the City's approval to provide natural gas to Beulah. There are some funding options for payback as well as cost breaks for those who decide to switch within the first five years.

Baker questioned open portfolio assignments. Cheatley stated that he is assisting with P&Z and Keller will take over the JDA portfolio. Cheatley appointed Baker to the Employee Relations Committee.

Baker requested feedback on cameras at the Civic Center. Four cameras for security purposes would cost \$3,400 for installation and then \$100 per month. Discussion followed on a camera policy. Baker

questioned an email rescheduling Mighty Thunder Wrestling at the Civic Center. Discussion followed between Cheatley and Baker on who is responsible for this item.

Council Member Brown

Brown reported on 2026 Library statistics and programs. So far this year, the Library has recorded 1,957 visitors, and the February reading program saw 1,027 participants. The Library is considering hiring another part-time substitute staff member.

Council Member Herrmann

Herrmann met with Public Works and the Water Dept. regarding winter head gear and mitts, as well as gloves for summer work. Herrmann stated that the Water Plant and Public Works building should have large lockers for heavy clothing. Discussion followed. Isaak stated that each department has its own budget and can decide if they want to purchase lockers. The Employee Relations Committee will discuss the head gear and gloves.

Council Member Isaak

The Pool Board met on Friday, March 13, 2026, and Leak Detectors are scheduled for April. The pool is advertising for employees.

Council Member Plienis

Plienis stated Krebs Autobody building was damaged during the

Main Street Phase I Project. Brinkman stated it is part of the punch list, and he will forward the pictures to the contractor.

CITY PERSONNEL

City Auditor

Keller moved to approve the February Financial Reports. Herrmann seconded. Roll call vote found Keller, Herrmann, Aichele, Isaak, Baker, Brown and Plienis in favor.

Economic Development/Operations

BEK Consulting sent out information on Main Street Phase I. There is a Public Information Meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 6:30 pm at City Hall to provide an update on Main Street Phase I, developments in the City, and the Capital Improvement Plan.

Police Chief

The Police Dept. has an officer traveling to Minnesota for training.

The Board of Equalization meeting is on April 6 at 6:30 pm, followed by the council meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Sean Cheatley, Mayor
Heather Ferebee, City Auditor
(April 9, 2026)

CITY OF BEULAH SPECIAL MEETING

March 22, 2026

CITY OF BEULAH MARCH 22, 2026, 4:30 PM BEULAH CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Special Meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 4:30 pm by Mayor Sean Cheatley with Council Members Jason Isaak, Adam Baker, Cameron Brown and Kameron Plienis present. Kevin Herrmann, Tim Aichele and Bill Keller absent.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, Econ/Op Dir. Beaver Brinkman
It has been requested to have a five-minute firework show for the Boys Basketball team after the team meet

and greet today, Sunday, March 22, 2026. Plienis stated he spoke with the Police Chief and Fire Chief. Discussion followed on the number of votes needed if a council member abstained. Solem stated they would still have a quorum for the vote. Isaak made a motion to approve the Fireworks permit for Vybrant Kamotion for March 22, 2026. Baker seconded. Roll call vote found Isaak, Baker and Brown in favor. Plienis abstained. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 pm.

Sean Cheatley, Mayor
Heather Ferebee, City Auditor
(April 9, 2026)

April is Safe Digging Month in North Dakota

BY SHERI HAUGEN-HOFFART ND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

North Dakota Gov. Kelly Armstrong has proclaimed April as Safe Digging Month in North Dakota.

In recognition, the North Dakota Public Service Commission is reminding everyone of the potential dangers and consequences of digging without first clicking or calling 8-1-1, North Dakota's Call Before You Dig number.

"Spring has arrived, and with it comes a surge of outdoor projects. Before any digging begins, the North Dakota Public Service Commission has an essential reminder: always call 811 first," said Commissioner

Sheri HaugenHoffart, who oversees the damage prevention portfolio. "This simple step is one of the most effective ways to prevent dangerous and costly accidents. Underground utility lines – whether gas, electric, communications, water, or sewer – are closer to the surface than many people realize. Striking one can create serious safety hazards

and contributes to billions of dollars in damages each year. By making a quick call to 811, you're protecting yourself, your property, and your community. Safe digging starts with knowing what's below – don't take the risk."

North Dakota law requires anyone conducting an excavation to notify 811 at least two business days in advance of digging. This is a free service to homeowners and farmers working on their own property/land. Personnel will be sent to mark the locations of the underground facilities, typically within a couple of days. The markings are valid for 21 days after they are placed as identified on your excavation notice ticket.

This process is coordinated through North Dakota One Call. The PSC's role is to enforce the requirements of the state's damage prevention laws and act when violations are reported to the Commission. The PSC can levy a fine up to \$25,000 per violation depending on severity.

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Twin Buttes School District #37 will hold its Annual School Board Election on **Tuesday, June 9, 2026**. The polling location will be **Twin Buttes School**. Polls will be open from **7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Central Time**.

The following positions will be up for election:

Two (2) School Board Members – Three-Year Terms

Any qualified elector of the school district who is interested in serving as a member of the School Board may file a **Statement of Intent to Run for School Board** and a **Statement of Interests** with the School Business Manager.

These documents must be filed no later than **4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2026**, which is sixty-four (64) days prior to the annual election.

Qualifications: To be eligible for election to the School Board, a person must be a qualified school elector. This means the individual must be a registered voter residing within the school district and must be able to pass a background check.

Twin Buttes School District #37

Jade Martinez, Business Manager

(March 26 April 2, 9, and 16 2026)

NOTICE OF HEARING

April 15, 2026

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PERMITTING SURFACE COAL MINING OPERATIONS WITHIN 100 FEET OF THE OUTSIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE AND WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC ROAD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition by The Coteau Properties Company, 204 County Road 15, Beulah, North Dakota 58523-9475, has been filed with the Board of Mercer County Commissioners

requesting that the Commissioners permit and approve the conducting of surface coal mining operations within 100 feet of the outside right-of-way line and within the right-of-way line of the following public road:

1. The west side of County Road 9 located within the SE¼ of Section 36, Township 146 North, Range 87 West.

A hearing on the Petition will be held by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners in the Mercer County Courthouse at Stanton, North Dakota, on April 15, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. CDT,

for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence bearing upon the above request by the Petitioner. Statements may be made orally or in writing at the time of the public hearing. The Petition is on file in the office of the County Auditor and may be viewed by interested persons during regular office hours.

By order of the Board of Mercer County Commissioners.

Carmen Reed,
Mercer County Auditor
(April 2 & 9, 2026)