

City of Lignite Council Proceedings

**Regular Meeting
October 5th, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Unofficial Minutes**

The October meeting of the City of Lignite was called to order at 7:02 pm on Monday, October 5, 2026 by Mayor N. Schneider at the Lignite City Office, with the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was determined.

Members Present: Mayor Nate Schneider; Council members Whitney Rick, Shelley Bartow, Amanda Arnold; Auditor Kim Jones.

Absent: Council member Keith Termine and City Maintenance Superintendent Jory Ehlke.

Guest Present: Amy Ones left at 7:17 pm

- Motion to approve previous month's minutes by W. Rick, second by S. Bartow. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion to approve financials as presented by W. Rick, second by S. Bartow. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion by W. Rick, second by A. Arnold the motion to pay Next Level Excavating for hydrant installation and to approve the following bills with roll call vote W. Rick, aye, S. Bartow, abstain, A. Arnold, aye, Mayor N. Schneider stepped down, aye, resumed chair, approved. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion to approve boiler for Legion builder with proposal from AAA for \$10,200 by S. Bartow, second by W. Rick. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion to approve sand spreader up to \$5,000 by S. Bartow, second by A. Arnold. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion to approve gaming permit #2026-004 for 50/50 cash raffle for Burke Central FBLA by S. Bartow, second A. Arnold. All in favor, motion carried.

- Motion to approve final annual budget for general and levy property tax by W. Rick, second by A. Arnold. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment: N/A

Maintenance report: Installed new

"No Trespassing" sign at the Lagoon. Water Tower cleaned and inspected 9-15-2026. Inside coating installed September 2025 looks good. Fire hydrants installed at Lignite Oil and Kings Highway. Discharging Cell 3 at the lagoon before freeze up. Spread gravel in front of houses along Grove and Hulbert St. for the residents that

wanted it by the new pavement. Landfill inspection requires sign by the gate with hours of operation, contact phone number, and permit number. Start new compost pile and needs signs to designated piles.

Auditor report: Kim attended the NDLC Annual Conference in Grand Forks. Special Assessments sent to Burke County Auditor office. Working with Amy Ones on Quickbooks and Annual Budget. Mailed CCR report certification sheet form to NDDEQ. Bill pay vs. writing checks. Auto pay for NCC and MDU. Direct deposit for payroll and disconnect NCC fax. Liquor license transfer for 109 Club to Community Center on November 15th, 2026.

Old Business: Rent for the office space at the Legion building for \$200 per month and lower A Cut Above rent starting November to \$200 per month. Discussion of Engineering to visit with council members and Mayor at next November meeting.

New Business: Discuss quotes for removal of asbestos siding on white house on Main Street. Further discussion at next meeting for quotes on pallet forks for loader. Need to put up NO U-TURN signs East and West in front of Burke Central School. Committee for 120th Lignite celebration.

Correspondence: N/A

Long-term planning: N/A

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:20 pm by W. Rick

Monday, November 2nd, 2026 at 7:00 pm

Bills for September 2026: Burke County Sheriff \$400.00; Burke Divide Electric 23.00; Burke County Tribune 128.14; Circle Sanitation 4,000.25, 4,000.25; City of Minot Treasurer's Office

90.00; City Sales Tax 7,561.14; Ehlke, Jory Phone 50.00; Evolv Inc 39.95; Hawkins 470.63, 487.20; First District Health 30.00; Jones, Kim Phone 50.00; Jones, Kim Mileage 456.00; Lignite Oil 340.26; MFOA 40.00; MDU 1,416.62, 1,755.75; Mike Glaspey 250.00; NCC 276.62; One Call Concepts 24.00; Payroll 2,194.96, 1,370.08, 29.54, 1,808.04, 480.22, 2,194.94, 480.22, 88.66; Rough Rider 48.37; Sewer Passbook 2,520.00; Smokey's RV 153.75; The Computer Store 249.00; USA Tax IRS 1,873.20; VISA 812.89.

Kimberly Jones, City Auditor
October 28, 2026