

**Regular Meeting
September 3, 2026**

The Regular City Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. September 3, 2026 by Mayor Ronald Bartz.

Pledge was recited.

Public in Attendance: Luann Dart, Anthony Setness, Harold Gaugler, Wayne Iszler

In Attendance: Kristian Roth, Leslie Bartz, Robert Mead, Michael Schmidt, Brian Richardson Ron Fischer and Ronald Bartz.

Absent: None

Public: Harold Gaugler, a board member of the ND Water Users Association spoke with the council regarding Membership Opportunities and the role the Association plays.

The board reviewed the Sheriff's report for August.

Engineers Report: Water overage was discussed. Moved by Roth second by Richardson to approve Change Order #2 all present aye motion carried. Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve Pay Application # 3 for \$619,923.56 all present aye motion carried. Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve \$75,000 Invoice to Moore Engineering all present aye motion carried. Discussion was held regarding the storage building located on 1st Ave E. Property owner will be notified when it will not be accessible. An invoice for repairs to a

propane tank will be passed on to BEK as it was their error.

Maintenance Report:

Wayne Iszler updated the council on recent maintenance. Discussion was again held regarding the drainage ditch clean out on Dakota St S. Moved by Schmidt second by L. Bartz to hire Glenn Rivinius with a November 1st deadline all present aye motion carried. Pour Decisions would like to rope off the street for the Sept 18th car show. Del Weishaar will be working on the doors in the community center to seal up the leaks before winter.

Additions to Agenda: None

Moved by Roth second by Schmidt to approve the Regular City Council minutes dated August 6, 2026, all present aye motion carried.

Moved by L. Bartz and second by Roth to approve the financial statement as presented for August; all present aye; motion carried.

Moved by Roth second by Richardson to approve the following bills for August & September: NDPERS Pension 1039.86, NDPERS 2377.10, US Treasury 1419.02, FIBT 164.00, BEL 174242.60, MDU 97.10, R Family Market 14.53, WRT 75.67, Moore Engineering 23484.00, Del's Carpentry 486.15, Elgin Park Boad 408.80, Elgin True Value 378.19, Gr Co. 5416.67, JD Financial 140.50,

MARC 1815.00, MDU 2959.94, Mor Gran Sou 800.00, One Call Concepts 30.00, PB Pye-Barker 698.00, R Family Market 3.50, Rath & Mehrer 11000.00, SW Water Authority 10182.00, SW District Health 30.00, Text My Gov 2000.00, WRT 541.61, Moore Engineering 79516.00 and Employee Wages = \$6,299.43; all present aye motion carried.

Past Due Water bill list was reviewed: The following accounts are past due: Steve Bleick, Jake Haskett, Leland Adams, Melissa Scott, Ethan Buchholz, Rebecca Biebert, Anthony Couch, Shaun Sims and Corinna Diehl.

Old Business:

Dog Ordinances were discussed. Tabled for next month.

TEXTMYGOV Notification system was discussed. Going live date is October 9, notices will be posted.

Discussion was held regarding the Council Rep on the Library Board. Our Attorney will be contacted to get clarity.

Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve the Mayor's Appoints for the vacant council position to Ron Fischer and the vacant City Judge position to Erin Quinn, all present aye motion carried.

Moved by Roth second by Richardson to remove Richard Michels as signer on the City Judge checking account at FIBT and replace with Erin Quinn all present aye motion carried.

New Business:

Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve building permit # 909- Erika Niederman all present aye motion carried.

Council reviewed the recommendations for the Sales Tax Committee from the minutes dated August 20, 2026.

Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve 50/50 matching grant for up to \$2000 for Serene Massage and also a \$20,000

loan for Serene Massage with a roll call vote; Roth aye, Mead aye, L. Bartz aye, Richardson aye, Schmidt aye, Fischer aye motion carried. Moved by Roth second by Richardson for a 50/50 matching grant for up to \$2000 for Paisley Prints; with a roll call vote; Roth aye, Mead aye, L. Bartz aye, Richardson aye, Schmidt aye, Fischer aye motion carried. Moved by Fischer second by Mead to approve a \$40,000 grant for the Elgin Fire Dept ; with a roll call vote; Roth aye, Mead aye, L. Bartz abstained, Richardson aye, Schmidt aye, Fischer aye motion carried. Moved by Roth second by Richardson to approve a \$25,000 grant to Kidz Clubhouse with a roll call vote; Roth aye, Mead aye, L. Bartz aye, Richardson aye, Schmidt aye, Fischer aye motion carried. Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve a 50/50 matching grant for up to \$2000 to Economy Drug all present aye motion carried. Moved by Schmidt second by Mead to table \$20,000 loan request for Sheep Creek Play until a bank as been contacted first all present aye motion carried. Moved by L. Bartz second by Roth to approve the 50/50 matching grant for up to \$2000 for Sheep Creek Play all present aye motion carried.

Moved by Schmidt second by Richardson to extent the lift user fee on the Water bills until October 1, 2036 all present aye motion carried.

Council was given the Full Audit report for 2024 & 2025 completed by Rath & Mehrer. Council is to review over September to be discussed further on Oct 1st meeting.

Adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

/s/Ronald Bartz

Ronald Bartz, Mayor

/s/Reva Weekes

Reva Weekes, Auditor

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