

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
MICHIGAN CITY COUNCIL
September 28, 2026 - 5 p.m.**

Present: Lauri Rysavy, Nathan Flom, Shaun Watkins, Daniel Reineke; Jason Flom, Maria Vasichuk, Kurt Schwind.

Mayor Rysavy called the meeting to order.

Mayor Rysavy acknowledged Nelson County Sheriff Kurt Schwind.

Sheriff Schwind spoke on the new policing contract that will begin on Jan. 1, 2027 and run through Dec. 31, 2029. He spoke on items within his department. Discussion and questions were asked by the council. D. Reineke made a motion to approve the Nelson County Sheriff Department contract as presented. S. Watkins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Brandon Lulay was absent for this vote.

Mayor Rysavy acknowledged Maria Vasichuk.

Maria had questions of the council.

She stated concern for the Craig Cooper property that has not been completed in being cleaned up. Auditor Flom stated he had a packet with a letter for Sheriff Schwind to serve Mr. Cooper with deadline to clean up the rest of the property. If he does not do so, city will have that area cleaned up and the expenses placed on the property tax.

Maria gave an update on the upcoming making of the documentary of the 1945 train accident. Filming crews will be in Michigan on October 14 and 15 to film Michigan. She asked for groups to be formed to clean up around town. Council stated we would work on that. Signs will be placed to ask Michigan residents to help by making their property look its best.

Brandon Lulay entered the meeting.

Maria expressed that there are a few residents that have non-working, non-licensed cars in their yards.

Council instructed Auditor Flom to send letters and ordinance to these owners.

2027 final budget was presented by Auditor Flom. Discussion was held. Budget for 2027 does fall within limits of the mill levy. N. Flom motioned to approve the 2027 Michigan City budget as presented. B. Lulay seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

N. Flom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. D. Reineke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next regular city council meeting is Oct. 12, 2026, 5 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason M. Flom
Auditor

Lauri Rysavy
Mayor

These are unofficial minutes.