

PUBLIC NOTICES

CITY OF BEULAH MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 6, 2025

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OCTOBER 6, 2025, 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 Tim Aichele, Jason Isaak, Adam Baker, Gina Campbell, Kameron Plienis, Cameron Brown, Bill Keller and Kevin Herrmann present.  
Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, City Engineer Jerod Klabunde, Economic Dev. Dir. Beaver Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, Auditor Heather Ferebee, Aidan Kelly, Renee Carlson, Craig Askim, Bryan and Amber Ronyak, Beulah residents.

Pledge of Allegiance  
Campbell moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting on Sep-tember 15, 2025 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Campbell, Keller, Aichele, Brown, Baker and Isaak in favor. Plienis ab-stained. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**  
Baker moved to approve the bills as presented and reviewed. Campbell seconded. Roll call vote found Baker, Campbell, Keller, Aichele, Brown, Isaak and Plienis in favor.

**CITY ENGINEER**  
*City Engineer*  
Klabunde stated Main Street Phase II plans and specifications are still in progress. They had two steering committee meetings regarding aesthetics. Surveys were filled out and the consensus is to have a straightforward simplistic design. Street patching will take place Wednesday and Thursday. The work near Dairy Queen may start next week. The Northside street project engineer's report will need to be done for the next meeting. The CDBG application is pending for the street repairs on 3rd Ave. The district size for the Northside Street Pro-ject was discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
*Chicken Petition:*  
Craig Askim of the NDSU Extension Office - Agriculture and Natural Resources. Askim stat-ed he is neutral on the chicken topic. Chickens in urban settings create issues: waste, odor, disease and enforcement. Where will waste be disposed of to control odor. Stockpil-ing of manure will be an issue. Bedding and wasted feed causes more odor. Where will the dead birds be accepted. Diseases such as salmonella and bird flu are possible. If there was a documented case of bird flu, all chickens would be depopulated within five miles as per Federal laws. If there is an outbreak there would need to be identification. The extension office would need to identify where all the chickens are located.

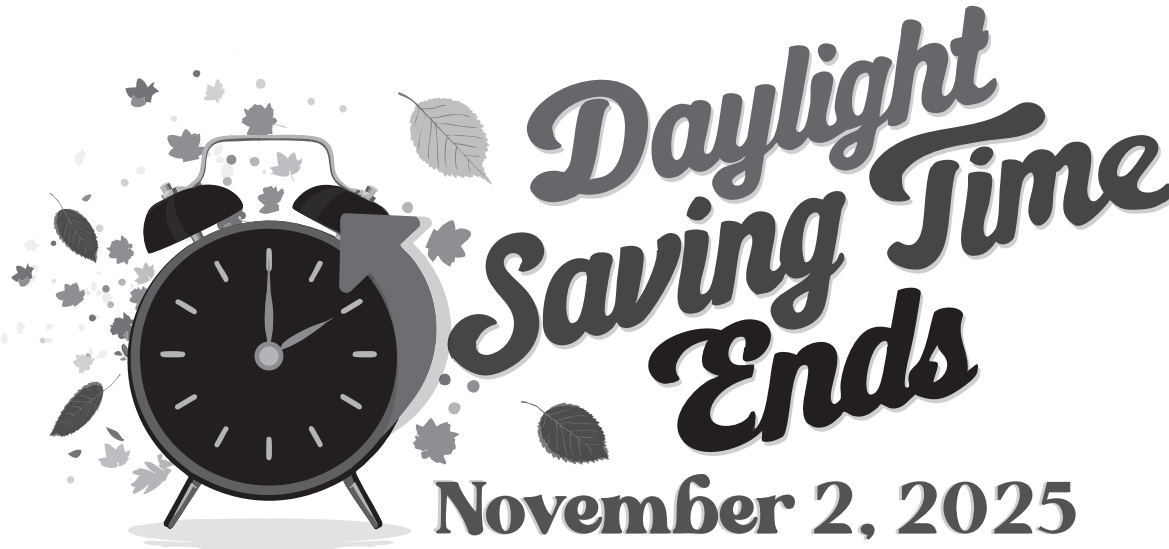
Kevin Herrmann voiced his concern on allowing chickens within the city. He stated neigh-bors to those owning chickens have the chance of residue from manure and straw getting on their property. He questioned if manure would end up in a city dumpster or the Transfer Station. This topic will cause friction between property owners. He stated that council should not take any action since the petition has enough signatures to be on the election ballot.  
Renee Carlson voiced her opposition to allowing chickens in town. She

sees it as a residen-tial poultry farm. This summer there were racoons and skunks, and it will draw more predatory animals into town. Enforcement is a big issue. She does not want to have chickens next door to her as it will impact on her quality of life.  
Bryan Ronyak is requesting to install a private septic system on land located between Cob-blestone and Barbot Funeral Home to allow for a coffee shop. He is requesting approval before he finances the business. Solem stated a building permit needs to be applied for and an easement needs to be completed for access. Ronyak stated he is working on an easement but does not own the property yet. Isaak questioned if he has plans. Ronyak stated he has plans in the process. Isaak questioned if he has submitted them to the city. Ronyak stated he wants to get the septic system approved before he provides a site plan. Solem stated there are usually documents submitted prior to approval of a septic system. Ronyak stated he does not see an ordinance requiring him to provide that information. Kla-bunde stated an engineer should provide a civil site plan prior to the purchase of the land to assist with due diligence: traffic access, sewer, water, parking, turn around space, septic. Ronyak confirmed they will connect to city water.  
Campbell moved to approve the septic system on the condition that all the requirements of the city ordinances are met. Plienis seconded. Solem questioned the process. Gabel stated the property will need to be in Ronyak's name, they will submit a permit, meet with the Wa-ter Dept., have a building plan, site drawings, easement copies, road materials (no scoria), and water access. Klabunde stated that if sewer becomes available, they will be expected to hook to sewer and eliminate the septic system at that time. Keller questioned access and if they would have a paved road. Ronyak stated they would use Cobblestone's ap-proach access and they will use a gravel road for their business. He said he would work with signage so people will only use Cobblestone's access. Roll call vote found Campbell, Plienis, Baker, Aichele, Isaak, Keller and Brown in favor.  
**MAYOR**  
*Mayor Cheatley*  
Isaak moved to approve the September financial reports. Campbell second-ed. Roll call vote found Isaak, Campbell, Brown, Aichele, Baker, Keller and Plienis in favor.  
Keller moved to approve the certification of outstanding balances for 2025. Brown second-ed. Roll call vote found Isaak, Brown, Aichele, Baker, Keller, Campbell and Plienis in favor.  
Baker moved to approve the local permit for a raffle for the Quarterback Club at Riverside Park Shelter #2 on October 16, 2025. Plienis seconded. Roll call vote found Isaak, Brown, Aichele, Baker, Keller, Campbell and Plienis in favor.  
Council Ward 4 open position appointment: There were four letters of interest received: Harold McDaniel, Kevin Herrmann, Travis Frey and Duane Duppong. Isaak moved for the council to vote for two people first to be read aloud and then have a second vote for one in-dividual between the two. Campbell seconded. Baker stated that he believes it should go to a vote

of the people. Keller stated he would like the seat for his ward filled now. Roll call vote found Isaak, Campbell, Keller, Baker, Brown and Aichele in favor. Plienis opposed. Motion passed.  
First Round:  
Herrmann five votes: Baker, Brown, Isaak, Keller, Campbell  
McDaniel four votes: Baker, Brown, Aichele, Plienis  
Frey four votes: Aichele, Campbell, Keller, Isaak  
Duppong one vote: Plienis  
There is a tie between Harold McDaniel and Travis Frey. Cheatley broke the tie voting for Travis Frey.  
Second Round between Herrmann and Frey:  
Herrmann six votes: Aichele, Brown, Keller, Plienis, Isaak, Baker  
Frey one vote: Campbell  
Kevin Herrmann was voted to take the vacant council position to fill the unexpired term until June of 2026. Herrmann took the Oath of Office.  
**COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS**  
*Council Member Isaak*  
Water line at 421 Front St. SW: The recommendation of the engineer was read to council. The ordinance states the city is responsible up to the property line. Isaak requests a letter be sent to her. The city would have the cost of the corp. stop. Keller questioned the lot that the curb stop is located on. Gabel commented the owner of the property is willing to provide an easement. The homeowner would be responsible for a new service line from the curb stop to her house. Isaak stated she is responsible for the line from the curb stop to the house whether it is in front of the house or behind the house.  
Isaak moved to send the letter to the homeowner at 421 Front St. SW with the recommen-dation of the engineer providing the option of:  
1. Requesting the city to install the new water service line and that the homeowner will pay the cost of this service line with the option of signing the petition for a five-year assessment for payment.  
2. Not to accept assistance from the city and the homeowner will hire their own plumber to install the new service line.  
The homeowner can run a line from the curb stop on the south side to the house as long as there is a signed easement from the current landowner and the city would cover the cost of abandoning the old line and the homeowner would cover the cost from the curb stop to her property. Brown second-ed. The homeowner would also have the option to do nothing. Roll call vote found Isaak, Brown, Aichele, Baker, Campbell, Plienis and Herrmann in favor. Kel-ler opposed. Motion passed.  
Employee Relations met last week. The Transfer Station Attendant position was offered to Kurt Milbradt and he accepted. The Water/Wastewater Operator position was interviewed for. The decision is to post again in the new year. Isaak moved to implement the City of Beulah work boot policy for full time employees in Public Works and the Water Department. Baker second-ed. Roll call vote found Isaak, Baker, Campbell, Keller, Plienis, Herrmann, Brown and Aichele in favor.  
**CITY PERSONNEL**  
*Economic Development*  
Andrew and Melinda Young made an offer to purchase the lot at 424

E Main Street for \$3,733.04. Baker moved to approve the sale of the lot at 424 E Main Street as presented. Aichele seconded. Roll call vote found Baker, Aichele, Isaak, Campbell, Keller, Plienis, Herrmann and Brown in favor.  
**Police Chief**  
Senn met with Beulah School regarding button activated solar signage for the crosswalk by the High School at 1st Ave and 7th Street. Senn questioned if the city would be willing to contribute to the signs along with the school. Plienis moved to request Moore to present a plan for that intersection. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Plienis, Keller, Baker, Aichele, Isaak, Campbell, Herrmann and Brown in favor.  
**City Attorney**  
Second reading of Ordinance No. 463 for noxious weeds. Keller questioned dandelions and Aichele stated they are not considered noxious weeds. There is still a six-inch limit on grass height. Keller moved to have the second reading of Ordinance No. 463. Campbell second-ed. Roll call vote found Keller, Campbell, Isaak, Baker, Brown, Aichele and Plienis in favor. Herrmann abstained. Motion passed.  
Solem recommended a Transfer Station non-payment fee and penalty in the Garbage Ordi-nance.  
The council will make a decision on the chicken petition at the next meeting.  
The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.  
Sean Cheatley, Mayor  
Heather Ferebee, City Auditor  
  
The following bills were approved and paid in September:  
  
Check Range: 47871 to 47959, -99595 to -99593  
Payroll Check Range: -71186 to -71089, 47900  
  
NDPERS 457 1207.00  
Employees 96695.65  
HEALTH INS 37517.06  
METLIFE 1771.67  
FIT 14569.71  
NDPERS 457 1207.00  
FIT 14234.77  
NDPERS Main 6307.06  
NDPERS Main 2020 4026.61  
NDPERS PD 4551.66  
NY LIFE 3360.43  
Monex Group 70.80  
Principal Life Insurance Co 380.20  
US Bank 890.15  
North Dakota One Call Inc 58.50  
Hawkins Inc. 6947.57  
MDU 14293.30  
Mark A. Kaffar 900.00  
The Union Bank 37337.38  
Marco Technologies LLC 197.90  
AE2S, LLC 1551.00  
Downtown Gas & Auto 4316.23  
Bison Valley Consulting LLC 975.31  
Powerplan 635.00  
City of Beulah 113.00  
Jeannette Kessler 50.00  
Judy Enderle 25.00  
Real Estate BEL 45.42

Midwest Canine Alternatives 250.00  
Vision West ND, Inc. 200.00  
Radisson Hotel Bismarck 113.50  
Petty Cash 6.08  
Schirado Boys Lawn Care 210.00  
Aubrey Feil 35.91  
Taryn Askim 59.39  
American Express 1055.83  
Solem Law Office 3047.00  
Information Tech Dept 505.60  
Black Mountain Software 28988.80  
West River Telephone 1624.94  
North Dakota Dept of Health 81.00  
Ohnstad Twichell, PC 914.50  
Associated Supply Co Inc 450.00  
Mercer County Treasurer 9031.05  
NAPA Auto Parts 856.06  
Waste Management 1139.96  
Bronson's Marketplace 54.94  
Beulah Beacon 660.80  
Moore Engineering, Inc. 6059.70  
Vestis 610.62  
Roughrider Electric Coop 5683.77  
Millennium Express 12.00  
Farmers Union Oil Company 3349.87  
Bronson's Marketplace 949.59  
InSource Solution 4600.00  
Quill LLC 155.96  
Lucky's Towing & Repair 475.00  
Colonial Research Chem 405.87  
Core & Main LP 893.00  
Stein's Inc 75.36  
Sletten Excavating, Inc. 3030.00  
MARC 4630.88  
Quadient Finance USA 1000.00  
Dakota Pump & Control 9486.97  
Lignite Tire 5862.32  
Ferguson Waterworks 816.14  
DirectMED 525.67  
Farmers Union Oil Co 2208.69  
West River Telephone 63.74  
J & M Hardware Inc 407.42  
Vestis 72.94  
Bryan Tomchuk 200.00  
Penworthy 239.64  
Baker & Taylor 219.31  
Jessie Mann 407.61  
William Elmore 49.00  
Heidi Hamelton 1750.00  
AT&T Mobility 43.23  
Stein's Inc 142.16  
USA Blue Book 141.14  
J & J Nelson Spraying LLC 250.00  
Lignite Tire 320.00  
Beulah Park District 40441.47  
Starion Bond Services 4615.00  
Starion Bond Services 7288.75  
Beulah JDA 363.69  
Beulah Airport Authority 363.69  
Starion Bond Services 6002.50  
Beulah Park District 6009.77  
Beulah Senior Center 1155.72  
Beulah Airport Authority 1618.01  
Waste Management 574.23  
Benz Insurance Agency 2029.00  
Marco Technologies LLC 197.90  
Rough Rider Industries 540.00  
AT&T Mobility 727.04  
Darla Knutson 200.03  
Heather Ferebee 112.00  
Les Mahin 25.00  
Larry Steffen 25.00  
Theresa & Matthew Allgier 75.00  
Postmaster 441.23  
(10-30-2025)



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