MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ESMOND CITY COUNCIL
November 11, 2026

The city of Esmond held a regular city council meeting on Nov. 11, 2026 at 7 p.m. at the Esmond City Hall. Present were Mayor Ernest Suich, council members Loren Preuss, Shari Wolfe and David Wolfe; and City Auditor Leigh Wolfe.

A motion was made by Shari Wolfe, seconded by Loren Preuss, to approve the Oct. 14, 2026 regular meeting minutes with no corrections. The motion passed.

November's agenda included city council vacancy, snow removal motion, past-due accounts, dollars from Municipal Infrastructure Fund, certificate of deposit renewal, public comment policy and any business not mentioned.

A motion was made by Shari Wolfe, seconded by David Wolfe, to pay all approved bills and the motion carried. The bills were as follows:

Otter Tail Power Co.	$661.63
Waste Management	2,336.93
BC Farmers Press	140.82
Leigh Wolfe	1,847.00
Alex Brandvold Construction	500.00
Dakota Pump	240.00
Ernie Suich	200.00

The Esmond City Council can appoint a person to fill our current vacancy of one member. If you are an interested individual living within city limits and a resident for at least three months, please attend our next meeting.

The snow removal motion from the Oct. 14, 2026 meeting was revisited with a new motion from Loren Preuss and seconded by Shari Wolfe to hire Ernie Suich to operate his tractor at $25 per hour and use David Wolfe's equipment at a rate of $150 per hour. Under ND Century Code 44-04-22 and per the city attorney, the city council determined, due to the vacant seat, a spouse can participate and vote on any matters even if they could benefit financially from the matter. This motion passed unanimously.

The state's Municipal Infrastructure Fund paid the city $951.31. The funds will be used on graveling the streets.

A certificate of deposit was up for renewal and per a motion made by Loren Preuss and seconded by David Wolfe, the CD will be renewed at a term of 13 months. The motion carried.

A public comment policy has been passed and approved unanimously by a motion from David Wolfe with a second by Loren Preuss. A copy of this policy can be obtained at the Esmond Post Office community board, on the door of city hall or by attending a regular city council meeting. A public comment period will be on the agenda for all regular city council meetings.

A motion was made by Shari Wolfe, seconded by Loren Preuss, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. The motion passed.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, Dec. 7, 2026 at 7 p.m. at city hall. Please note a new date for December's meeting.

Leigh Wolfe
City Auditor