

Crosby City Council Minutes

UNAPPROVED CROSBY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING Monday, February 2, 2026 7 p.m.

Members Present:
Mayor: James Jacobs
Council Members: Doug Anderson, Marzell Trussell, Scott Sova & Don Wolf

Members Absent:
Council Member: Brian Lund & Jerry King

Others Present:
Alexa Kruger, Christine Keller, Zachary Schroeder, Paul Sannes, Austin Coates, John Bayer, Isaac Bangura, Dylan Kolstad, Kayla Jacobs, Josh Feil, Anthony Vandal, Ryan Wissbrod, Rayne Haggan, Mariah Loper, Carol Williams, Suzie Jacobson, Lexie Harms, Janie Sova, Bobby Orr, Sharaden Dejardine, Alan Svangst, Collin Ferguson, Sydney Holmes, Andreas Holm, Erin Sorum, Shonna Schroeder, Tiffany Kolstad, Tia Johnson, Gerald Johnson and Seymour Jordan.

Microsoft Teams: Morgan Jacobs, Kyle Montoya, Gunter Harms, Alexander Coe, Traci Lund and Malinda Miller.
Mayor James Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review/Approve Agenda:
Council Member Sova approved the meeting agenda as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Review/Approve Minutes of Last Regular Meeting:
Council Member Sova made a motion to approve last month's meeting minutes as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson.

Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Financial Statements:

Council Member Trussell made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Citizen Comments:

a. None

Carol Williams:

a. Wolf Abatement
a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to deny the abatement for Anthony and Tanya Wolf as recommended by tax assessor Williams.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Sumner Investments

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the abatement for Sumner Investments as presented.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

c. Tax Equalization Meeting Date and Time

a. By Council consensus the tax equalization meeting will be set for Monday April 6th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at Crosby City Hall.

Sheriff's Department:

a. Sheriff Zachary Schroeder was available to present last month's stats.

Moore Engineering:

a. 2025 Street Project Update/Project Closeout

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the final balancing change order #2 with a \$17,274.10 decrease.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

c. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the final contractor's application for payment #2 in the amount of \$79,767.60.

d. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

e. Budget update.
i. Original project budget: \$611,300.70

ii. Forecasted final cost: \$562,187.39

b 2026 General Engineering Task Order

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve Task Order 6 for on-call professional services not to exceed \$15,000 for 2026.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

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ii. Alternates?
iii. Add more spot repairs in Hendrickson-Holmes area?
iv. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve Moore Engineering to apply for CWSRF funding with the loan application costs to not exceed \$20,000.

v. Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

e. Flex Fund Update
a. Application was for mill and overlay on 5th Ave. and 8th Ave.

b. Prairie Dog grant to be awarded later by NDDOT

JDA:

Isaac Bangura was present.

Park Board:

Not present.

Public Works:

Paul Sannes and

Austin Coates were present to update Council on maintenance and projects.

Old Business:

1. Tree Ordinance 309

a. Tabled until the March 2nd, 2026 Council Meeting.

2. Nuisance Properties (2026)

a. Tabled until the March 2nd, 2026 Council Meeting.

3. Water Shut Offs

a. Council Member Sova made a motion to approve the City Auditor to advertise in the paper letting citizens know that passed due utility bills will be stamped with a disconnect notice instead of a personal notice.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Building Permits:

None

Bills as presented:

Council Member Wolf made a motion to approve bills as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Sova and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

New Business:

1. B's Crack Sealing Proposal

a. Council Member Anderson

made a motion accepting the proposal from B's crack sealing in the amount of \$79,450.00 with approving the auditor to pay 50% of the cost up front.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell, and Anderson. Nays: none.

2. Ordinance 351 Second Reading, Adoption and Publication

a. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the second reading, adoption and publication of Ordinance 351 with the changes that the dates to have your vehicles removed are listed as Nov. 1st-April 30th.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Trussell and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

c. Spirit Fund Recommendations

a. Council Member Sova made a motion rejecting the Spirit Fund Boards recommendations and changed the amounts to as follows:

Meadowlarks Arts Council \$5,000, DC Historical Society \$7,500, Crosby to Kids Daycare \$21,711, Andrist Arena/Blue Line Club \$20,000,

Crosby Country Club \$7,500 and approving \$25,211 to the Crosby Housing Authority to come out of the City's general fund.

b. Motion seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried by the following votes. Ayes: Council Member Wolf, Sova, Trussell and Anderson. Nays: none.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Alexa Kruger
City Auditor
James Jacobs
Mayor

Divide County Commission Minutes

APPROVED DIVIDE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES January 20, 2026 8 a.m.

The Board of Divide County Commissioners met in regular session with all members present, Chairman Rodney Johnson presiding with Ms. Avonlea Brown, Journalist in attendance.

Minutes from January 6, 2026, the meeting was read and approved as presented.

Correspondence was reviewed and placed on file.

Denise Johnson, Brad Johnson Insurance met with the board and the following elected/department heads:

Zachary Schroeder, Sheriff, Christina Running, Clerk/Recorder, Carol Williams, Tax Director, Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent, Travis Binde, NDSU extension agent, Shari Bublitz, DES/911/Zoning. Ms. Johnson presented the updates from NDIFR-defensive driving courses,

other training courses, and legal for human resources that they offer to the county and their employees. Ms. Johnson mentioned that for the inland marine they now offer a blanket policy versus a schedule policy so if you miss something or have a serial number wrong it still covers the item. Board mentioned they would like more information on this option.

Chairman Johnson signed the assessor agreement with Fortuna City.

Carol Williams, Tax Director, presented following abatement: Steve & Donna Bummer-Crosby City-187100 to 113400 or \$2123.52 to \$1286.98. Motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Eriksmoen to approve this abatement. All present voted in favor.

Bryan Haugenoe, Road Superintendent, met with the board to update them on the blades and whether to bid one or two. Mr. Haugenoe also mentioned that the trailers are 9 years old and haul 170,000 ton of gravel per year so the issue they are having is because of age and use not the in-

dividual operators. After discussion board decided to bid one blade and maybe trailers. Mr. Haugenoe will get more information on the trailers being fixed.

Board reviewed the following bids-Equipment Rental-3/3/26-11:00 a.m. -Cutting Edges-3/3/26 11:10 a.m.-Dust Control-3/3/26 11:20 a.m.-Gravel-3/3/26-11:40 a.m. and will be advertised accordingly. Board authorized a Joint Powers for Culverts with Wm County.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eriksmoen, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to designate First State-\$27,668,763.58, BNC-\$250,000.00, and Bank of Tioga-\$8,303,575.63 as the banks for 2026 and to accept the pledges and securities provided. All present voted in favor.

Gayle Jastrzebski Auditor Treasurer presented the December 2025 financial statements.

The following fees were collected for November Clerk of Court-\$780.00 Recorder-\$8203.00

and deposited into the General Fund.

Board visited about home rule charter and decided to see how the vote goes in the Primary Election before moving forward.

Shari Bublitz, 911/DES/Zoning met with the board to inform them that she has gotten a request for a natural gas plant to be built in the county. Board wants more information on it.

The following bills on motion made and approved were placed in line for payment:

NDSU Agriculture

Communication.....\$7,153.16

Williston Tire Center.....\$341.43

Williams County Sheriff.....\$4,335.00

Waynes Welding

And Repair.....\$144.74

Traci Lund.....\$338.03

Sundre Sand And Gravel.....\$11,014.50

Sidwell.....\$15,111.75

Shari Bublitz.....\$63.80

Scholastic Inc. Education.....\$248.08

RTC Networks.....\$238.00

Rose Deep Cleaning.....\$7,318.15

Red Rock Ford.....\$490.00

Petty Cash Library.....\$158.81

Penguin Management Inc.....\$3,264.00

Northwest Septic Service.....\$55.12

Northwest

Communications Coop.....\$1,278.91

New Century Ag.....\$6,927.96

NDPOST.....\$7,153.16

ND Secretary Of State.....\$10.00

ND Emergency Services\$13,269.30

Napa Auto Parts.....\$201.24

Montana

Dakota Utilities.....\$14,117.33

Minot Daily Newspaper.....\$286.00

Mid States

Organized Crime.....\$100.00

Marco Technologies LLC.....\$295.06

Lawson Products, INC.....\$3,538.19

Journal Publishing Inc.....\$