

PUBLIC NOTICES

Ellendale City

**Special City Council Meeting
September 2, 2026
5:30PM – EMS Building & ZOOM**

Mayor Flaherty called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Council members present: Anliker, Lee, Denison, Meidinger via zoom, Crabtree via zoom

Absent: Tiegs

Other Employees: Auditor Gunn, Deputy Auditor Schmidt, Police Chief Knutson

Separate sign in sheet available.

Ellendale Township: Councilman Meidinger attended Ellendale Township meeting where they discussed Cemetery Road Joint Powers Agreement. They agree with the terms but have reservations if any of the township properties were to later annex into city limits. They will suggest changes and send them to the city for further review.

City Wide Street Project: Drainage concerns in different places amongst other issues that have come up. With project being this big there have been a few change orders. Meidinger moves, Denison seconds to empower Wade Senger, James Monroe, and Justin Meidinger to make decisions for city street project change orders of single

occurrences not to exceed \$15K, total occurrence not to exceed \$90K. Roll call vote: Crabtree, Meidinger, Anliker, Denison, Lee- yes. Absent: Tiegs. Motion carries. Concerns being raised about knowing where people can or cannot park, signs to be put up in advance to notify residents of no parking/road closures. Issues with manholes along 281 through city limits being too sunken in and needing to be fixed. Meidinger moves, Lee seconds to fix those sunken manholes, that would be a separate cost from the city-wide street project. Roll call vote: Meidinger, Anliker, Denison, Lee, Crabtree- yes. Absent: Tiegs. Motion carries.

STOP signs along 281: With the road construction at Applied Digital work site continuing, they need to reroute traffic to not turn at Hwy 281 and Hwy 11, to go further north before turning. NDDOT approved the city putting STOP signs at intersection of Hwy 281 and Hwy 11, with covering up STOP signs at intersection of Main St and Hwy 281. Police Chief Knutson has safety concerns with covering up STOP signs at Main and Hwy 281. Possibility to put temporary traffic light at intersection of Hwy 11 and Hwy 281. KLJ to inquire with NDDOT.

Meidinger leaves at 6 pm

Special Permit: Lee moves, Anliker seconds to approve Legion special

permit for noise ordinance for band on September 12, 2026 until midnight and the special permit for Legion alcohol beverage permit to have an outdoor bar on September 12, 2026 until 1 am. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

Walking Trail: Received numbers for how much it would be to start work on the walking trail to pave and do the parking lot, and to stub in water and sewer which would be around \$700K plus 10% for contingencies. Since the city street project is going on it would be easy to add that to their work load and extra funds received from sales tax to be used to help jump start this project.

Special Meetings: With different things going on there will be a few special meetings in the coming weeks. Regular meeting for October needs to be changed.

Budget Hearing: September 14, 2026 at 7:30 pm.

Next regular meeting: October 6, 2026 at 6 pm

Meeting adjourned 6:23PM.

Donald Flaherty, Mayor
Nicole Gunn, Auditor

(Minutes subject to corrections and approval at next regular meeting.)

(September 17, 2026)