

Garrison City June Meeting Minutes

The Garrison City Council held a special meeting on Thursday June 18, 2026, at 5:10 pm in the city council room. Present: Mayor Stuart Merry, Shannon Jeffers, Bree Stumvoll, David Reinarts and Billee Jo Iglehart. Others present: City Supervisor Greg Boucher.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Stumvoll to do the 90% Design Completion on the Raw Water Intake Project and acknowledge Garrison Rural Water's concerned with supporting the project financially. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Aldersperson Stumvoll reported the Personnel Committee will advertise for the landfill position.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Diane Affeldt, City Auditor

Stuart Merry, Mayor

The Garrison City Council met on Wednesday July 1, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the city council room for newly elected city council members. Present: Mayor Stuart Merry, Shannon Jeffers, Bree Stumvoll, David Reinarts and Billee Jo Iglehart.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Iglehart to approve the Abstract of Votes for City of Garrison as presented by McLean County. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Aldersperson Stumvoll was thanked for your service and newly elected members Rick Schumaier and Mike Maki were welcomed to the city council. The Oath of Office for all elected members were presented to the city auditor. New members were given city council information and payroll documents.

Diane Affeldt, City Auditor

Stuart Merry, Mayor

The Garrison City Council met on Monday July 6, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the city council room. Present: Mayor Stuart Merry, Shannon Jeffers, Rick Schumaier, David Reinarts, Mike Maki and Billee Jo Iglehart. Others present: City Supervisor Greg Boucher. Visitors: Randy Ott and Cassie Setter from Waste Management, Keith Hunke from Garrison Rural Water, Kim Gutierrez, Brenda

Mai, Klint Steele, Sharon Jungling, Cody Meadows from McLean County Sheriff's Department and Jason Strand from AE2S. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Reinarts to approve the city council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Organizational Meeting was held. Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Igle-

hart to elect Shannon Jeffers as City Council President. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to elect David Reinarts as City Council Vice President. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Iglehart to appoint Diane Affeldt as City Auditor. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Iglehart to appoint McLean County and city assessor. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Schumaier, seconded by Jeffers to appoint Moore Engineering Inc. as city engineer. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to appoint the following: Airport Authority, Cole Seidler; Housing Authority, Leigh Wagner; Planning & Zoning Commission, Mike Youngs and John Matthews; Library Board, Donna Blanchard and Billee Jo Iglehart as the city council yearly appointment. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Public Comment Period: Brenda Mai, Klint Steele and Sharon Jungling.

Randy Ott from Waste Management was present concerning the renewal of a 5-year garbage contract. He introduced Cassie Setter, who will be the new representative for Garrison. Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Reinarts to approve the Solid Waste Services Agreement

with Waste Management from January 1, 2027, to December 31, 2031. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Visitors and Public Comment: Kim Gutierrez read a letter to the city council concerning mail service and the postmaster in Garrison. She noted that residents are being treating rudely by the postmaster and sometimes threaten that he will call the police. Comments were: delivery issues, rural mail boxes, outdoor mail box is difficult to assess and suggested finding an alternative location, no handicap doors, dogs are out in the yard, so mail will not be delivered, one individual is not allowed to enter the post office building, there have been calls for service documented by the sheriff department.

The city council stated a letter will be drafted to the Postal Service and will coordinate with other local organizations that have the same concerns.

Keith Hunke with Garrison Rural Water was present to provide an update on the backflow preventor. They can not find an easement in which a building could be built on for the backflow preventor. Research will be conducted by both parties on the right-of-way and/or street vacate for this project. Rural water is also looking at moving a water line to eliminate the backflow preventor.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Iglehart to approve the McLean County Court Services Contract. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

City Supervisor Greg Boucher gave his report. Painting continues along with some sign replacement. Manholes are being replaced by DL Barkie. A few curbs remain to be replaced in the mobile home park. Greg sprayed lagoon cell #1 for algae. The double yellow line on main street will be painted. Greg presented a few items to be sold by the city. The bid opening on these items will be August 3, 2026, at 7:05 pm in the city council room. Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Maki to advertise shop items. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier,

Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

City dumpground days and hours were discussed. The schedule will be Wednesday 1-8pm and Friday 1-5 pm. and no Saturdays. Tires will be \$10 a piece, limit 5.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Reinarts to approve the city auditor's monthly financial report. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

The municipal court report for June was presented and reviewed.

City Auditor Diane Affeldt report was presented. Web site updates & alerts were posted. Attended ADA Webinar. Handled election items, distributed beer and liquor licenses and applied for a burn permit.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to approve bills submitted for payment. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Cash Petty cash 30.00

RTC Networks Telephone 1,345.63; One Call Concept Fax calls 81.00; Verizon Wireless City phones 235.16; Circle Sanitation Service City garbage/dumpster 630.25; Garrison Park Board State revenue 2,338.44; McLean Co. Recorder Alley vacate 30.00; NorDak North Publications, supplies 1,346.43; Western Agency Insurance 11,251.00; Fire Extinguishing Inspection 360.00; Garrison Lumber Supplies 19.04; C-Ram Antivirus 250.00; Vestis Service 412.11; Burlington Electric Lights 8,134.50; Wilson Law Attorney 765.00; Helms & Associates Airport 5,886.80; Gene O's Septic Landfill 140.00; First District Health Testing 75.00; ND Dept of Environmental Testing 218.50; Hawkins Chemicals 1,352.97; Aqua Pure Inc. Chemicals 3,600.11; MDU Service 557.09; McLean Electric Coop Power 1,517.10; CHS Garrison Defoamer 37.00; USA Blue Book Supplies 2,372.52; American Welding & Gas Chemicals 236.37; Cool Fish Services Carbon dioxide tank 650.00; Syn Tech Systems Water sales contract 3,718.00; Team Labs Chemical 1,018.00; Locators & Supplies Hitch 132.07; Nygard Construction Lagoon valve 8,500.00; Share Corporation Chemicals 980.03; Rugby

Hardware Hank Paint 2,003.40; Highway 83 Lawn Mowers 236.98; Powerplan OIB Repairs 340.00; Sanitation Products Sweeper 989.50; Sherwin Williams Paint 65.97; MARC Chemical & paint 1,351.33; Otter Tail Power Power 8,344.27; Waste Management Garbage 10,081.04; Elan Financial Title & license 79.64; McLean Co, Auditor Election 405.00; S & J Hardware Supplies 983.83; Farmers Union Oil Gas 2,791.54; Helms & Associates Airport 5,886.81; Gale/Cengage Learning Library 249.00; Loffler Library 85.06; Penworthy Library 156.83; Collaborative Summer Library 297.30; Modern Marketing Library 238.53; Lookout Books Library 236.38; Grey House Publishing Library 163.00; ND State Library Library 18.75; ND League of Cities Dues 1,562.00; Sara Stadick Clothing 43.00; McLean County Sheriff Contract 14,600.00

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Iglehart to acknowledge Wilson Law P.C. termination of attorney-client relationship letter. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Jeffers to approve beer and/or liquor license transfer for Hometown Tavern July 14, 2026, from 5pm – 9pm to City Park, and Bar 701 beer garden request for July 17, 2026, and September 4, 2026, from 7:30 pm to 12:30am in the parking lot. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Jeffers to approve letter to Rice Lake West on water treatment plant contractor's application for payment #25 and authorize signatures on pay request #25 for \$00.00. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to approve Agreement Between Owner and Construction Manager At Risk, PKG Collaborative Inc. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to approve Burlington Electric proposal of \$11,715 for generator at trailer park and All-Season Heating proposal of

\$4,700 for indoor/outdoor unit at water treatment plant. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Mayor Merry's monthly report was presented. He participated in raw water intake project and personnel employment, listened to the Teams regularly scheduled closeout meeting, attended Chamber of Commerce meeting and chaired the newly elected officials meeting. Mayor Merry presented the new city council committee assignments.

Alderman Reinarts had nothing to report for the Utilities & Streets Committee or Water Board Committee.

Alderman Jeffers reported for the Cemetery. Mobile Housing, Public Buildings and Landfill Committee. Work continues at Wilderness Park and 4th Street sewer drains. Alderman Reinarts will contact ND DOT on cleaning out the storm drains in the ditch by Highway 37.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Jeffers to authorize the Police, Fire & Personnel Committee to advertise for Deputy City Auditor position using similar amount of funds from prior advertisement. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to authorize President, Vice President and City Auditor signatures on signature cards at Tru Community Bank and BNC Bank. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

Mayor Merry presented his letter of resignation as Mayor effective immediately. Moved by Iglehart, seconded by Jeffers to accept registration of Mayor Stuart Merry. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Schumaier, Reinarts, Maki and Iglehart. Nay: None.

The next regular city council meeting will be on Monday August 3, 2026, at 7:00 pm. The city council meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Dane Affeldt, City Auditor
Stuart Merry, Mayor
(July 23, 2026)