City of Wilton
October 21, 2026
Unofficial Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of City Commissioners was held on October 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Meeting Room. Present were Commissioners Lisa Hedstrom, Bernell Hedstrom, Mike Schmit by, Jim Tooke and President Dustin Clausen. Also present were Bob Ell, Kristine Ell, Jackie Fakler, Mike Herner, Kyle Hibl, Ron Hochhalter, Lee Larson, Dale Phalke, Kay Schilla, Tim Smallbeck, Valarie Smallbeck, Don Weible, Sgt. Alex Torez and Dep. Jordan Schumacher.

Motion made by L. Hedstrom and seconded by Schmit to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2026 meeting as presented. All present voted aye, motion carried.

Motion made by B. Hedstrom and seconded by L. Hedstrom to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2026 special hearing as presented. All present voted aye, motion carried.

Motion made by Schmit seconded by Tooke to approve the agenda as presented. All present voted aye, motion carried.

Motion made by Schmit and seconded by B. Hedstrom to approve the Master Service Agreement (MSA) from A2S Engineering as presented. All present voted aye, motion carried. The MSA was reviewed by the City's lawyer, Oliva Krebs, prior to the meeting.

Mike Herner and Dale Phalke were present to discuss the annexation of the Liberty Acres Subdivision into City limits. Motion made Schmit and seconded by B. Hedstrom to move forwards with the annexation. All present voted aye, motion carried.

Motion made by Schmit and seconded by L. Hedstrom to approve the liquor license application submitted by Jennifer and Lee Larson for 100 Dakota Avenue as presented. All present voted aye; motion carried. The license will become effective January 1, 2027.

Kyle Hibl was present to discuss his dog, which had been involved in two attacks on consecutive days. Hibl was cited for having a vicious dog and was given 48 hours to remove the animal from the city limits. Hibl requested permission to keep the dog; however, due to the nature of the attacks, the Board was unwilling to allow the animal to remain within the city limits. Hibl then requested an extension to rehome the animal. The Board agreed to allow Hibl until October 31, 2026, to remove the animal from the city limits.

The Board discussed the large number of complaints regarding barking dogs within the city. Sgt. Torez of the McLean County Sheriff's Office explained that many complaints are anonymous or the callers are unwilling to sign a formal complaint. As a result, the Sheriff's Office is unable to cite the owners without a complaining witness.

Motion made by B. Hedstrom and seconded by L. Hedstrom to special assess mowing fees totaling $285.00 for parcel 82000100077000 if payment is not received by October 30, 2026. All present voted aye; motion carried

Increasing the $1.00 landfill fee for in town residents was discussed. Since the landfill will be closing for the winter at the end of October, the matter was tabled.

Motion made by Schmit and seconded by L. Hedstrom to approve the Landfill Policy as presented. All present voted aye; motion carried. The policy outlines what the $1.00 monthly residential fee covers, eligibility requirements for landfill use, appliance fees, and provisions for commercial, farming, and ranching use.

The Elgin sweeper advertised for sales by sealed bid. All sealed bids must be received by December 2, 2026 and opened during the regular board meeting.

The board set a special hearing for November 18, 2025 at 6:45 for Bob Ell's variance request. The Zoning Board approved the request on October 19, 2026.

Motion made by L. Hedstrom and seconded by Tooke, to pay bills as presented. All present voted aye, motion carried.

With no other items for discussion, Pres. Clausen declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

-99491 Visa 1,204.38; -99490 Verizon 244.87l; -89352 Dennis Dockter 1,656.76l; -89351 Lisa Jenkins 747.49l; -89350 Samual Kraft 611.66; -89349 Pattie Solberg 2,050.00; -89348 NDPERS 5.72; -89347 NDPERS 135.00; 22677 Farmers Union Oil 1,104.38; 22678 Montana Dakota Utilities 110.66; 22679 Ottertail Power 2,392.75; 22680 NABCO 150.46; 22681 SCRWD 15,642.02; 22682 Pro Forms 1,141.45; 22683 Pattie Solberg Mileage 352.64; 22684 Napa Auto Parts 420.52

Pattie Solberg, City Auditor Dustin Clausen, President

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