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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS SCRANTON CITY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER: The Scranton City Council met at city hall on Monday, June 8th, 2026. Mayor Jason Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. In attendance were Aldermen: Brian Weber, John Pretzer, Ryan Schumacher, Travis Teske; PWS: Tony Dillon; Auditor: Kari Ruggles; PWS: Tony Dillon; Visitors: Lucas Doerr, Anne Gruber,

Isabelle Palczewski, Layla Krinke, Logan Mausehund, Zander Evans, Tripp Mack, Aidyn Fisher.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge was said.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Brian Weber moved to approve the May minutes, Ryan Schumacher second, roll call vote, MC.

AGENDA APPROVAL: John Pretzer moved to approve the agenda for June, Brian Weber second, roll call vote, MC.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Travis Teske moved to approve the Financial Reports for June 8th, 2026, the city \$1,244,999.56 and the Parkboard of \$17,862.42, Ryan Schumacher second, roll call vote, MC.

BILLS PRESENTED: Brian Weber moved to pay all bills presented for May, Travis Teske second, roll call vote, MC.

AUDITOR/PARKBOARD REPORT: Past due water customers were discussed. Brian gave updates regarding the Baseball and Swimming Programs. There are 28 students in swimming lessons. The baseball program has many ball players this year and additional uniforms need to be purchased. Community Day is scheduled for July 18th at Murray Park.

PWS REPORT: The park sprinklers have been repaired and are ready to go for the summer. Robert Morris is working with Tony for the summer. Buffalo

Creek Services has done some spraying around town. Radio operated water meters are being looked at for the city. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The city received \$6,000 from the Play It Forward Grant through BEDC, to be put towards the replacement of the digital sign. Jason Anderson informed the council that NDP is donating \$500 and the Scranton American Legion will donate up to \$2,000.00. John Pretzer offered to attend the next County Commissioner meeting to request funds for the digital sign. A quote of \$36,000 has been received to replace the digital sign. It was mentioned that the new sign needs to be more visible and easier to read. Ryan Schumacher moved to raise the cemetery mowing/trimming payment from \$1,000 to \$1,500, beginning with the 2026 payment, Brian Weber second, roll call vote, MC. Additional discussion related to residence on Getz St.

NEW BUSINESS: Jason Anderson welcomed Anne Gruber to the meeting. She will be replacing Kari Ruggles as auditor, as she is retiring. Lucas Doerr attended the meeting as Fire Chief for the Department. They are considering replacing some cement at the Community Center/Fire Department. Discussion on drainage was held. It was decided that the fire department should proceed with replacing cement on the south end in front of the department. John moved to table the request for funds from the Scranton Fire Department requesting a donation for the cement project at the Community Center/Fire Department, Travis Teske second, roll call vote, MC. Members of the Scranton FBLA and their advisor attended the meeting to do a presentation and request funds for their trip to nationals in San Antonio, TX. Travis Teske moved to grant \$5,000.00 to the Scranton FBLA to help cover their travel expenses to nationals in San Antonio, TX in June 2026, John Pretzer second, roll call vote where Weber abstained, MC. John Pretzer moved to grant the Scranton School \$5,000.00 per fiscal year (July to June), using Sales Tax

Funds, to help cover travel expenses for student organizations, Travis Teske second, roll call vote, MC. The emergency siren for the city is currently not working. An electrician has found no problems and the radio contact will now be checked. As Kari is retiring, the signature cards at DWB will need to be updated. Brian Weber moved to update all signature cards at DWB for the City of Scranton with signatures for Anne Gruber, Ryan Schumacher, John Pretzer, and Jason Anderson. Anne Gruber also to receive a city debit card. Travis Teske second, roll call vote, MC. Two signatures are required for the City accounts and one signature for the Parkboard account.

ADJOURN: John Pretzer moved to adjourn at 9:50 pm, Brian Weber second, roll call vote, MC. The next city council meeting is scheduled for July 13th, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Gruber, City Auditor

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR MAY 2026

EFT	IRS	\$1,662.80
EFT	IRS	\$47.72
EFT	NDPERS-Retirement	\$555.60
EFT	Southwest Water	\$3,478.59
EFT	North Dakota Rural Water	\$275.00
Debit	Buried Treasures Garden Cntr	\$217.00
Debit	Bowman Ace Hardwre	\$278.19
Debit	USPO	\$366.00
Debit	Steffan Saw & Bike	\$263.96
Debit	Bowman Ace Hardwre	\$6.41
18857	Tony Dillon	\$4,731.00
18858	Kari Ruggles	\$1,477.60
18859	Robert Morris	\$288.14
18860	Parkboard	\$2,930.95
18861	Petty Cash	\$47.08
18862	Core & Main	\$270.18
18863	Bowman County Equaliz Off	\$100.00
18864	Advanced Business Machines	\$89.56
18865	Gooseneck	\$87.53

18866	MDU	\$1,849.32
18867	City of Bowman	\$5,046.00
18868	Parkboard	\$131.90
18869	City of Bowman	\$341.00
18870	SuperValu	\$7.50
18871	Scranton Equity	\$928.10
18872	Consolidated	\$157.51
18873	Team Lab	\$3,707.00
18874	Scranton Equity	\$490.20
18875	Southwestern Dist Hlth Unit	\$30.00

PARKBOARD

1416	Hettinger Pool	\$2,700.00
1417	Robert Morris	\$500.00
1418	Super Valu	
		\$32.87
1419	Scranton Equity	\$25.00
1420	Big T Sprinklers	\$241.00
1421	Brian Weber	\$909.95
1422	Tom Burns	\$500.00
1423	Kiley Mausehund	\$500.00
1424	Sawyer Weber	\$500.00
1425	Aidyn Fisher	\$1,539.48
1426	Zander Evans	\$1,539.48
1427	Morgan Fisher	\$1,539.48
1428	IRS	\$765.12