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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS SCRANTON CITY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER: The Scranton City Council met at city hall on Monday, September 14th, 2026. Alderman John Pretzer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. In attendance were Aldermen: Brian Weber, John Pretzer, Ryan Schumacher, Travis Teske (arrived at 8:10 PM); PWS: Tony Dillon; and Auditor: Anne Gruber. Absent was Mayor Jason Anderson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge was said.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Brian Weber moved to approve the agenda, with the addition of Digital Sign to Unfinished Business, City Attorney to Unfinished Business, and Travis Teske zoning

permit application to New Business. Ryan Schumacher seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ryan Schumacher moved to approve the August minutes. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Brian Weber moved to approve the Financial Reports for September 14th, 2026, the city \$1,241,467.89 and the Parkboard of \$18,092.53. Ryan Schumacher seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BILLS PRESENTED: John Pretzer moved to pay all bills presented for August 11th through September 14th and void the payment to Western Dakota Energy Association. Ryan Schumacher seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Discussion to move bills with availability to auto pay but will continue current process.

AUDITOR/PARKBOARD REPORT
Discussed sixty days past due water accounts. The water will be shut off on one account. Bulk water invoices totaling 68,200 gallons for \$954.80 mailed this month. Discussed the Community

Day Review. Approved Sunday, December 13th for Christmas celebration in Scranton with the new name Christmas in Scranton to be held at the Community Center. Approved movement to the community center going forward from Murray Park. Brian Weber moved to approve the bid from Tiger Electric for fans in the kitchen of the park shelter. Ryan Schumacher seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PWS REPORT: Discussed bid received to replace the roof on lift building south of community center. Tabled the bid and will request an additional bid for review at next meeting. Discussed the two properties in violation of city ordinance for grass length. One customer received a verbal warning on 8/11 and the second customer paid their invoice 9/14.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ryan Schumacher moved to approve the 2027 Parkboard final budget. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Brian Weber moved to approve the 2027 City of Scranton final budget. Travis Teske seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Discussed submission of documents on 8/20 for Planning Assistance Report (PAR) reimbursement totaling \$47,332.00. Discussed Rate Study report completed by Garret Clark under the direction of the State of North Dakota related to the PAR for the city. Discussed the overall formatting of the City Ordinances and the status of revisions. Any ordinance identified as in need of revision has been tracked and will be presented at a subsequent meeting for council review. Discussed the trifold for select ordinances and a draft of language for the trifold. Discussed the Court Services Contract for calendar year 2020. Ryan Schumacher moved to create a contract with the District Court to hear cases for the City of Scranton. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Brian Weber moved to hire Andrew Weiss of Little Missouri Law Office, PC to represent the City of Scranton as city attorney. Travis Teske seconded. Motion passed

unanimously. Laura Weber, on behalf of the City of Scranton, applied for a grant at the beginning of August related to the new digital sign for Main Street.

NEW BUSINESS: Ryan Schumacher moved to approve an Off Premise Liquor Permit from Next Door Pizza, for the Kevin Robinson Medical Benefit to be held at the Community Center, September 26, 2026. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously. John Pretzer moved to approve an Off Premise Liquor Permit from Next Door Pizza, for the Jason Anderson American Legion State Commander Homecoming Celebration to be held at the Community Center, October 10, 2026. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously. John Pretzer moved to approve the Application for a Zoning Permit from Travis Teske to install a fence on his property. Brian Weber seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Discussed First International Bank & Trust credit card accounts for Robb Pierce, Kari Ruggles, and Toni Dillon previously utilized that were never closed. Kari Ruggles unintentionally paid for a personal purchase on Amazon with the card in July which led to the discovery. She paid for the balance and there is no balance outstanding on any of the accounts. John Pretzer moved to give Anne authority on the accounts at First International Bank and Trust and authority to close the credit card accounts through First International Bank and Trust. Travis Teske seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN: Brian Weber moved to adjourn at 9:33 pm. Ryan Schumacher seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The next city council meeting is scheduled for October 12th, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted: Anne Gruber, City Auditor

8/11-9/14/ Accounts Payable

EFT	Southwest Wat Auth.	\$5,802.78
EFT	NDPERS-Retirement	\$555.60
EFT	IRS (Morris)	\$99.16
EFT	IRS (Dillon, Gruber)	\$1,977.50
Debit	Taco Johns	\$12.84
Debit	Dollar General	\$29.16

Debit Sam's	\$51.40	18932 Robert Morris	\$731.41	18942 SuperValu	\$61.08
Debit Amazon	\$64.19	18933 Advanced Busi Meth	\$114.31	18943 Scranton Equity	\$821.25
Debit Amazon	\$48.51	18934 Badlands Patriot	\$140.25	18944 Southwest Dist. Heal	\$30.00
Debit USPS	\$195.00	18935 City of Bowman	\$5,070.00	Parkboard	
Debit Shell	\$50.96	18936 Consolidated Tele	\$159.30	1437 City of Scranton	\$21.38
Debit Trend Micro	\$64.15	18937 EIDO Connect	\$148.50	1438 SuperValu	\$23.48
18928 City of Bowman	\$5,046.00	18938 MDU	\$1,748.55		
18929 Dak. West. Insuran.	\$3,647.00	18939 One Call Concepts	\$6.30		
18930 Tony Dillon	\$4,731.00	18940 Southwest Ag	\$180.00		
18931 Anne Gruber	\$1,035.25	18941 Southwest Dist. Heal	\$30.00		