

**City Council Meeting  
March 9, 2026**

City Office at 7pm  
BEING PUBLISHED SUBJECT TO THE GOVERNING BODY'S REVIEW AND REVISION  
Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7pm and pledge of allegiance was recited. Council Members present were Grundstrom, Weimer, T. Van Camp, Nelson and Halcrow. Not present was Larson. City employees present were DeGeldere, Mattice and Misialek. Others present were Mona Dietrich on behalf of DEDCO and Derek Bratlie on behalf of Riverfest Committee and Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Bratlie came to ask the city for funds for Riverfest and Chamber activities. They would like \$4000 for fireworks and replacement parts, \$4000 for the band and \$2000 for Ribfest, for a total of \$10,000. A motion was made to approve giving them \$7000 from the tourism fund that was made by Grundstrom, seconded by Weimer, all in favor. This topic will be revisited after their fundraising to see if they still need funds. Mona Dietrich presented DEDCO's financial report for 2025. Motion to approve the payment of \$68,522.74 for the July-December 2025 portion of sales tax. Motion was made by Grundstrom, seconded by T. Van Camp, all in favor. Misialek informed the council that BNSF had reached out to the city in regard to cost sharing the repairs for the Grant Ave crossing. More information is needed and Misialek has reached out to the city engineer and city attorney to

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BFEs, provided that the community first applies for and receives a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) through FEMA.

**5.5 ENCLOSURES**

New construction and substantial improvements, with fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement and which are subject to flooding shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwaters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect or meet or exceed the following minimum criteria:

- (1) A minimum of two openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided.
- (2) The bottom of all openings

ascertain who is responsible. Misialek presented the Engineer's Agenda/Update for the Infrastructure Project. The planning and review team will consist of: Moore Eng. team, Mayor Chip Olson, Public Works Superintendent Perry DeGeldere, Council Members Brandon Weimer and Brad Nelson. This group will need to meet several times to review the plans before they are brought to the council for approval. Two of the three emergency sirens in town have not worked for some time. Grundstrom received a quote from Midstates Wireless for \$32,142.58 for an omni-directional siren. This one siren would be centered in town and alleviate the need for three. This quote came in substantially lower than others. Motion to approve purchasing and installing this new siren was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Weimer, all in favor. Motion to approve the second reading of Sales Tax Ordinance #65 was made by Nelson, seconded by T. Van Camp, all in favor.

Motion to approve the second reading of Flood Plain Ordinance #64 was made by Weimer, seconded by Grundstrom, all in favor. Motion to approve the repealing of Flood Plain Ordinance #58 and replacing with #64 was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Weimer, all in favor. DeGeldere presented the council with several quotes for a new lawn mower with which to mow the cemetery. As of 2026, the city will be taking over the maintenance of the cemetery. It was suggested that we take bids for the mowing,

shall be no higher than one foot above grade.

- (3) Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, valves, or other coverings or devices provided they allow the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters.

**SECTION 6.0 VIOLATIONS**

**6.1 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS**

(1) Violation of the provisions of this ordinance or failure to comply with any of its requirements, including violations on conditions and safeguards established in connection with grants or variances or conditional uses, shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any person who violates this ordinance or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500 or by imprisonment not to exceed 30 days or by both such fine and imprisonment for each such offense, and in addition shall pay costs and expenses involved in the case. Each day

etc. of the cemetery. Grundstrom and Misialek will work up an advertisement for taking bids. Misialek presented the council with the renewal costs for the city employees health/vision insurance through Blue Cross Blue Shield increased 11% for this next renewal period. Motion to approve was made by Grundstrom, seconded by Weimer, all in favor. Motion to approve February 10, 2026 council minutes was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Grundstrom, all in favor.

Vendor Bills:  
Charles Olson \$305.98; Dahlstrom Motors \$111.97; Dakota Natural Gas \$2,058.18; Display Sales \$55.00; Drayton Volunteer Ambulance \$61.70; Ewing Oil \$462.70; Halcrow's LLC \$1,188.84; Otter Tail \$3,849.59; Rock's Electric \$432.32; Valley Building Center \$43.98; Valley Landfill \$10,623.00; Valley News & Views \$382.03; Vestis \$102.01; Walsh Water \$32,553.28. Motion to approve bills was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Weimer, all in favor. Next city council meeting will be April 13, 2026 at 7pm at the City Office. The Tax Equalization meeting for the City of Drayton will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7pm at the HG Johnson Hall Community Center.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Grundstrom, all in favor.

Charles Olson, Mayor  
Sonia Misialek, Auditor

such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

- (2) Nothing herein contained shall prevent the Drayton City Council from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Olson, Mayor  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Sonia Misialek, Auditor

ATTEST:  
(seal)  
THIS ORDINANCE #64 REPEALS #58

**NOTICE OF DRAYTON TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING**

Thursday March 26, 2026 at 3:00pm at  
Drayton Sugar Bowl Senior Center  
There will be an election of (1) supervisor position, review and set budget, appoint/elect clerk treasurer, other business.

All Drayton Township residents are encouraged to attend. Immediately following the annual meeting there will be a regular monthly meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 65**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AND REGULATE A CITY SALES, USE, AND GROSS RECEIPTS TAX UNDER THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DRAYTON**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DRAYTON, PEMBINA COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SALES, USE, AND GROSS RECEIPTS TAX**

Definitions.

All terms defined in chapters 40-05.1, 57-39.2, 57-39.4, 57-39.5, 57-39.6, and 57-40.2 of the North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.), including any future amendments, are adopted by reference. All references to the N.D.C.C. include amendments adopted by the North Dakota Legislative Assembly.

Collection and Administration.

Where not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of N.D.C.C. chapters 40-05.1, 57-39.2, 57-39.4, 57-39.5, 57-39.6, and 57-40.2, and all administrative rules adopted by the Tax Commissioner, pertaining to the collection and administration of the retail sales, use, and gross receipts tax, including provisions for liability, refund, penalty, interest or credit, govern the administration by the North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner (hereinafter "Tax Commissioner") of the taxes imposed by this Ordinance.

Sales Tax Imposed.

Subject to the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 40-05.1-06, and except as otherwise provided by this Ordinance, or the sales and use tax laws of the State of North Dakota, a tax of 2 percent is imposed upon the gross receipts of retailers from all sales at retail, including the leasing or renting of tangible personal property, within the corporate limits of the of the city of Drayton, North Dakota.

Use Tax Imposed.

Subject to the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 40-05.1-06, and except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, or the sales and use tax laws of the State of North Dakota, an excise tax is imposed upon the storage, use, or consumption within the corporate limits of the city of Drayton, North Dakota of tangible personal property purchased at retail for storage, use, or consumption in this city, at the rate of 2 percent of the purchase price of the property. An excise tax is imposed on the storage, use, or consumption within the corporate limits of the city of Drayton, North Dakota of tangible personal property not originally purchased for storage, use, or consumption in this city at the rate of 2 percent of the fair market value of the property at the time it was brought into this city.

With respect to the purchase price of tangible personal property used by a contractor or subcontractor to fulfill a contract as defined in N.D.C.C. § 57-40.2-03.3, the tax imposed by this section applies only to bids submitted on or after the effective date of this Ordinance.

Gross Receipts of Alcoholic Beverages.

Subject to the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 40-05.1-06, and except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, a gross receipts tax of 2 percent is imposed upon all gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages within the city. A person who receives

alcoholic beverages for storage, use, or consumption in this state is subject to tax on storage, use, or consumption of those alcoholic beverages at the rate of 2 percent.

Gross Receipts of New Farm Machinery and New Farm Irrigation Equipment.

Subject to the provisions of N.D.C.C. § 40-05.1-06, and except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, a gross receipts tax of 2 percent is imposed upon all gross receipts from the sale of new farm machinery and new farm irrigation equipment within the city. A person who receives new farm machinery or new farm irrigation equipment for storage, use, or consumption in this state is subject to tax on storage, use, or consumption of that machinery and/or equipment at the rate of 2 percent.

Exemptions.

This Ordinance does not provide for any additional exemptions from imposition and computation of the city sales and use tax other than those provided by state law.

Sales to contractors that are exempt pursuant to subsection 15 of N.D.C.C. § 57-39.2-04 shall be exempt from any city sales tax, but contractors shall be subject to the city use tax on those items used within the city that would be taxed pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 57-40.2-03.3 on which the city sales tax has not previously been paid.

Maximum Tax Imposed.

Any patron or user paying a tax imposed by this Ordinance in excess of \$25 upon any single transaction of one or more items may obtain a credit or refund of the excess tax at the time of purchase from the vendor or request a refund of the excess tax payment by filing a request for refund upon the forms provided by the Tax Commissioner.

Contract with Tax Commissioner.

The Drayton City Auditor is hereby authorized to contract with the Tax Commissioner for administration and collection of taxes imposed by this Ordinance. The City Auditor has all powers granted to the Tax Commissioner and in the absence of a valid contract with the Tax Commissioner or failure of the Tax Commissioner to perform the delegated duties, shall perform these duties in place of the Tax Commissioner.

Dedication of Tax Proceeds. (Optional Section)

For the purpose of funding city infrastructure projects and maintenance.

Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect after its passage, approval, and publication, but not prior to July 1, 2026.

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Olson, Mayor

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Sonia Misialek, Auditor

**DRAYTON TOWNSHIP TAX EQUALIZATION MEETING**

Wednesday April 8, 2026 at 2pm  
Drayton ND at the  
**Drayton Sugar Bowl Senior Center**

**NOTICE**  
**Drayton Township Monthly Meeting**  
There will be a regular monthly meeting immediately following the tax equalization meeting.

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