

# Water Quality Report

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**Violation: For the 4th quarter of 2025, (October, November, December of 2025) the City of Beach failed to comply with the reporting requirements of the Disinfectants and Disinfection By-products Rule.** This rule requires us to monitor monthly chlorine levels and report them to the Department of Environmental Quality on a quarterly basis. Since the required sample was not taken or the report was not submitted on time, we are unsure of the level of disinfectant during that time. Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort. The City of Beach has taken steps to correct this violation of the Disinfectants and Disinfection By-products Rule by returning to a normal monitoring/reporting schedule. **Violation: Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) - Failure to Routine Monitor - November 2025.** Our water system is required to sample for Total Coliform bacteria on a monthly basis. We failed to collect the required number of total coliform samples during the month of November 2025 and are therefore unsure of the quality of the water at that time. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, waterborne pathogens may be present or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution

system. The City of Beach has taken steps to correct this violation of the Revised Total Coliform Rule by returning to a routine testing schedule. **Health Statements** Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants That May Be Present in Source Water: Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. Inorganic Contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming. Pesticides and Herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and

residential uses. (Pesticide: Generally, any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest. Herbicide: Any chemical(s) used to control undesirable vegetation.) Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems. Radioactive Contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water

Hotline (800-426-4791). **Lead Statement** There is no safe level of lead in drinking water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breast-fed), and young children. Some of the health effects to infants and children include decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can also result in new or worsened learning and behavior problems. The children of persons who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy may be at increased risk of these harmful health effects. Adults have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidneys, or nervous system problems. Contact your health care provider for more information about your risks. Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. The city of Beach is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce

lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. **Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water.** Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact the city of Beach at 701-872-4103. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. **Lead Service Line Inventory Information** US EPA has recently published the Lead and Copper Rule Revision. The purpose of this revision is to strengthen public health protections by removing lead service lines within public water systems. One requirement of this rule revision was to inventory all drinking water service lines within our public water system and notify consumers which type of line serves each property. You may have recently received a letter from our system with this information. The inventory is a listing of all service lines and the material composition of each line. The types of lines being documented are Lead lines, Galvanized Requiring Replacement (GRR) and lines made of Unknown Material. Classifica-

tion of a service line as being comprised of Unknown Service Line material indicates that our system cannot currently confirm the material of both the public and private portions of the line with written records. Non-lead lines were also documented; however, we were not required to notify consumers with documented nonlead lines. The classification of the type of service line serving a residence was based on historical data regarding the property and in some cases verification of the type of material on the privately owned side of the line by visual inspection or replacement records of the owner. **The current Service Line Inventory for our system has been completed and is available for viewing at our office. Please contact the city of Beach at 701-872-4103 should you have any questions.** Additional work to update the service line inventory, including inspection of the line, may need to be performed to further document and confirm the type of material making up both the public and private portions of the line serving your home or business. We will need the help of home/building owners in order to access the service line on the private side of the service line to positively identify the material of the line that carries water within your home/building. Our system may perform this work with our own system employees, or we may contract with engineering firms or third-party contractors to complete this work to improve our service line inventory. (Published June 4 & 11, 2026)

# BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**BEACH CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Published Subject to the Governing Body's Review and Revision June 1, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Walter Losinski on June 1, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Present when the meeting was called to order were City Council Tom Marman, Sarah Ross, John Stonehocker (via telephone) and Andy Zachmann. Others present include Public Works Superintendent Randy Dietz, City Auditor Kimberly Gaugler, Deputy Auditor Lea Massado, Engineer Zac Ranisate, Holden Hammerlund, Brayden Ruff, and guests Jordanna Garland, Emily Helpser and Clarence Carroll.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken. City Council Lynn Swanson-Puckett and Bev Wolff were absent.

**Additions or Corrections to the Agenda**

Mayor Losinski called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. Zachmann moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Participation**

Mayor Losinski read the policy for public participation. There was no public participation.

**Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting on May 18, 2026, were presented. Zachmann moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

**Vouchers**

Vouchers were reviewed for payment. Zachmann moved to approve the following vouchers, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

Advanced Engineering & Environmental Services ..... \$43,607.33  
 Anton Krebs ..... 166.04  
 Beach Park Board ..... 6,280.05  
 Boss Office Products ..... 162.88  
 City of Beach ..... 6,460.00  
 Civic Plus, LLC ..... 2,885.47  
 CNH Industrial Capital  
 Productivity Plus ..... 37.84  
 Comfort Suites Bismarck ..... 330.00  
 Cooperative Legal  
 Services PLLC ..... 687.50  
 Coral Creek Landfill ..... 1,912.00

Core & Main, LP ..... 367.04  
 Dakota Dust-Tex, Inc. .... 159.85  
 Display Sales ..... 3,378.00  
 Farmers Union Oil ..... 3,063.86  
 Fireside Office Solutions ..... 199.42  
 Four Seasons Trophies ..... 168.80  
 Golden Valley County ..... 9,853.46  
 Greyson Stedman ..... 112.67  
 Jill Schatz ..... 45.00  
 John Deere Financial ..... 130.54  
 Marman Plumbing & Construction ..... 280.00  
 Mid-American Research  
 Chemical ..... 215.81  
 MDU ..... 6,069.48  
 ND Rural Water System Assn. .... 325.00  
 Prairie Lumber Company ..... 1,719.87  
 Railroad Management Co. .... 917.41  
 Rohan's Hardware ..... 314.02  
 Rough Rider Industries ..... 8,961.00  
 Runnings ..... 128.83  
 Southwest Water Authority ..... 12,408.92  
 Southwestern District  
 Health Unit ..... 30.00  
 Steele Auto Body ..... 200.00  
 Steele Electric ..... 500.00  
 Stockwell Cleaning ..... 175.00  
 Swanston Equipment ..... 1,020.06  
 Thomas Littlecreek ..... 45.00  
 Valli Information ..... 50.00  
 May Payroll ..... 38,443.55  
 City of Beach ..... 635.34  
 First State Bank of Golva ..... 3,935.71  
 Unum Life Insurance ..... 73.05  
 BNSF Railway ..... 1,266.00  
 Cogent Fiber ..... 81,461.44  
 Badlands Cleaning Service ..... 100.00  
 First State Bank of Golva ..... 649.74  
 Verizon Wireless ..... 255.61  
 City of Beach ..... 482.99  
 First State Bank of Golva ..... 3,895.53  
 NDPEERS ..... 4,908.53  
 Blue Cross Blue Shield ND ..... 11,359.60  
 USPS ..... 538.22

**Engineer's Report**

Engineer Ranisate and EIT Hammerlund reviewed their written report. **2026 Main & Central Street Construction** - Construction continues on Main Street & Central Avenue. Knife River would like to adjust the phasing of the project. The agreement between the City and BNSF has been finalized. The agreement with Cogent

and the City has been finalized. Scheduling is being coordinated by Knife River and Cogent. Pay Application Request No. 1 has been delayed to verify total cost of work completed to date. Reimbursement from ND DOT in the amount of \$102,561.39 has been received. Additional reimbursement requests will be sent out this week to Bank of ND and ND DOT. **Public Hearing for 2025 Street & Utility Improvement Project** - Special Assessment Commission Members Loni Thilmony and Lea Farstveet, along with Engineer Ranisate presented information at the Public Hearing held June 1st at 5pm. Marman moved to approve the Special Assessment List as certified by the Special Assessment Commission and publish in the Golden Valley News a Notice of Confirmation of the Special Assessment List as is required by NDCC 40-23-13, second by Zachmann. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Works Report**

PWS Dietz reviewed his written report. Dietz asked for guidance on a resident's request to remove a large tree from the boulevard area in front of their property. Discussion. Marman offered to talk with the resident about removal of the tree.

**Auditor's Report**

Gaugler reviewed her written report. Gaugler mentioned expenses to date are \$1,124,818.83 and revenues to date are \$1,280,096.19. Loan payment no. 7 for the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project was made on June 1st. Payment amount was \$21,281.00.

**New Business**

Zachmann moved to approve Resolution 2026-14, second by Ross. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14 A RESOLUTION SETTING AUDITOR BOND LIMIT FOR THE CITY OF BEACH, NORTH DAKOTA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Beach is covered by a blanket bond by the North Dakota State Bond Fund; and,

**WHEREAS**, the North Dakota State Bonding Fund provides fidelity bond coverage for city employees and public officials in dealing with public

funds; and,

**WHEREAS**, the bond is fixed by the city governing body and set by resolution as outlined in NDCC §40-13-02; and,

**WHEREAS**, at the June 1, 2026, regular city council meeting of the Beach City Council the current bond limits were reviewed and found to be sufficient.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF BEACH, ND**, that the Auditor Bond coverage by the State Bonding Fund in the amount of Nine Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$921,828.00) has been reviewed and found sufficient.

Walter Losinski, Mayor  
 ATTEST:  
 Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor

Zachmann moved to approve Resolution 2026-15, second by Stonehocker. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-15 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BEACH ADOPTING THE MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Beach recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the City of Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Beach has participated in the preparation of a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2026 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2026 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the City of Beach from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption by the City of Beach demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2026 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF BEACH, ND, THAT:** the City of Beach adopts the 2026

Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. While content related to the City of Beach may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require the City of Beach to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan. Subsequent plan updates following the approval period for this plan will require separate adoption resolutions.

Walter Losinski, Mayor  
 ATTEST:  
 Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor

Correspondence was read from ND Water Resource Districts Association and ND Water Users Association regarding the Joint Summer Water Meeting on July 15-16 in Watford City.

An Application for Com-

munity Enhancement Funds from MT Shakespeare in the Park was reviewed. Zachmann moved to approve the request of \$750.00, second by Marman. Motion carried unanimously. The production will be held on June 29th at Swimming Pool Park.

Correspondence was read from Home on the Range regarding the Badlands Learning Center.

No other business was brought forward. Zachmann moved to adjourn, second by Marman. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:  
 Walter Losinski, Mayor  
 Kimberly Gaugler, City Auditor  
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# Recognized by NDGF

**By Jordanna Garland**  
 Volunteer instructors for the North Dakota Game and Fish (NDGF) Department were recently recognized at the annual banquet in

Bismarck. Rob Curl was recognized for 10 years of volunteering as a Hunter's Education instructor for the agency. He received a plaque for his work.