PICK CITY MEETING MINUTES

City of Pick City November 4, 2026 meeting minutes
Present: Mayor Arvid Anderson, council; Kel Westman, Lori Davis, Scott Bather, Brandon Reiser.
Also present: Derek Isaak, Lacie McKindle, Attorney Mark Kaffer, PWD Jodi Ell, Auditor Diane Johnson.
Mayor called the meeting or order at 7:30pm at the City Hall.
Pledge of allegiance was recited.
Davis motioned, second Bather to approve the consent items; agenda, minutes of 10-7-2026 and bills, with the addition of bill from Donovan & Kaffer. All in favor, MC.
Guests: Derek Isaak & Lacie McKindle expressed their concerns of the corn hucks that blew all over the SW and NW areas of Pick City. They presented pictures of how much blew in their yard; Derek baled three round bales of corn husks. Also stated the fire hazard that this caused. They were asking if the council could do anything in the future; like having farmer "black" the field or hold farmer liable. The city has no control on what is planted in the fields, but will talk to the farmer. The city will also install snow fence North and South west end of town. Attorney suggested applying for tree grants for the SW & NW areas.
Attorney updates: Dog complaint hearing scheduled for Nov. 12, 2026 at city hall.
Received reimbursement check from Boring Contractors for water breech.
Recommended the city update ordinance for bond requirement to $50,000, also add: before any contract work is done in Pick City proof of Bond, liability insurance, license required.
Recommend that the city be proactive and create a Comprehensive Plan for future growth. Council agreed.
Drain tile breech, no update on company who damaged three areas.
In October the council approved McCleery's plat map, however when we received the plat Map to sign, it was different from the one that was approved. Attorney looked over the plat map of McCleery's and contacted Travis Frey, he explained a different monument to west was found and measured off that. Mark said the Map has missing verbiage Re-plat and recommend not to sign until it was corrected.
New business: City retired electric meter on 3rd lane NE. RRE notified the city was paying for it and it hasn't used electricity in many years.
Davis motion, second Westman to approve building permit for Scott Bather, replacing shingles for steel. All in favor with Bather abstaining, MC.
Water: Westman motion, second Davis to set a Resolution for bulk water rates at $20.00 per thousand. All in favor, MC. Base rate will be decided if any in December.
McLean -Sheridan: water rates will be going up in January 2027. Council tabled until Dec. meeting.
PWD Jodi, attending O & M training Oct. 26 and will attend another Nov. 17.
Streets: Jodi did a walk thru with Midco they will contact Light house Trades to repair the damaged areas, since they were the last in those areas.
4 loads of asphalt were delivered. The city was able to purchase from the city of Turtle Lake for $275.00 a load. Bather motioned, second Reiser to purchase 8 more loads at that price. All in favor, MC.
Meeting adjourned @8:44pm. Next meeting December 2, 2026
Bills: Payroll & ins, 6237.73; Jodi Ell, 50.00; Diane Johnson, 38.00; Jodi Ell, 118.55
US Treasury, 1362.00; WRT, 178.52; RRE, 1336.71; Circle, 2311.25; MSRWD, 4942.77
Dak Const, 618.75; Dak Const, 990.00; Drain man, 27597.50; Fisher sand & gravel, 1042.65
Interstate power, 1567.00; Menards, 252.46; One call, 6.00; Ones consulting, 1200.00
Scott's, 488.03; Jodi Ell, 20.50; Myron Stern, 38.00
Mayor Anderson
Auditor D. Johnson
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