

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES
OF REGULAR MEETING
LAKOTA CITY COUNCIL
September 14, 2026**

The Lakota City Council held its regular meeting on Sept. 14, 2026 at the city hall. Mayor Richard Riely called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Council members present: Members Ferguson, Matejcek, Haugland, Schuh and Varnson. Member Vasichek was absent.

Member Schuh made a motion to approve the minutes of the Aug. 3, 2026 regular meeting and Aug. 27, 2026 special meeting, seconded by Member Ferguson. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Matejcek made a motion to approve the 2027 final budget as presented, seconded by Member Haugland. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Varnson made a motion to approve the special events permit for Post 21, Inc. for Oct. 17, 2026, seconded by Member Matejcek. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Matejcek made a motion to purchase eight additional holiday decorations for the light poles on Main Street at \$4,762 using Sales Tax EDC funds, seconded by Member Schuh. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Haugland made a motion to approve the 2027-29 Nelson County sheriff's contract for policing, seconded by Member Ferguson. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Matejcek made a motion to install baseboard heat for the SW shed at the Market Village, seconded by Member Schuh. All voting in favor, except Member Varnson who opposed. Motion carried.

Member Ferguson made a motion to charge \$150/month rent on the SW shed at the Market Village to a group for a long-term rental agreement, seconded by Member Schuh. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Varnson made a motion to approve the 2026 TA grant funding application for electrical distribution sectionalizing and reliability

improvements for a total project cost of \$300,880, requesting 75% grant of \$212,595, seconded by Member Ferguson. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Schuh made a motion to approve the housing incentive application for Tim and Michelle Anderson, seconded by Member Matejcek. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

After reviewing the bills and vouchers, a motion was made by Member Schuh to pay all the bills presented for payment and those bills paid prior to the meeting. Member Varnson seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0.

Advanced Business	
Methods	\$261.64
Anderson Agency	2,084.40
Associated Supply	172.66
BCBS	9,905.27
Bolton & Menk	7,058.00
Border States	1,198.58
Bullis Construction	500.00

CHS--Lakota	390.90
Computer Express	600.00
Dakota Implement	39.99
Dept. of Environmental	1,304.06
Double Z Broadcasting	100.00
EFTPS	3,514.20
EFTPS	3,532.76
EFTPS	3,461.17
Elan	1,144.80
Farmers Union Oil	7,470.85
FedEx	101.55
Ferguson Waterworks ...	61.48
Ferry, Mark	6,650.00
Frontier Precision	1,850.00
GF Utility Billing	313.00
Go-Fer Sanitation	600.00
Gowan Construction	1,181.87
Hawkins	4,080.88
Hendrickson, Sharilyn ...	50.00
InterOffice	10,740.31
Interstate Billing	155.15
Johnson Excavating	1,000.00
Kolenda Heating	3,500.00
Lakes Area Turf	5,107.00
Lakota American	367.29
Lakota Auto Truck	79.71
Lakota Drug	4.39
Lakota Farm Service	25.00
Lakota Hardware	1,788.22
Lakota Municipal	---

Utilities	610.00
Lakota Municipal	
Utilities	1,029.02
Lakota Municipal	
Utilities	9,429.99
Lakota School	160.00
Lakota Sanitation	11,746.14
Leading Edge Equip.	43,104.45
Legacy Co-op	2,072.80
Mac's Hardware	512.66
Mead Hunt	92,500.00
Menards	162.51
MARC	4,887.08
MRES	103,968.49
NDPERS	3,396.91
NC Sheriff	3,415.00
Nelson Electrical	393.76
Nelson Electrical	4,021.71
Neonlink	48.00
Nodak	3,190.07
ND One Call	55.50
ND Telephone	99.60
North-Holt	101,000.75
Polar	1,528.43
QTPOD	869.66
Quill	69.99
Renewed State	2,806.42
Ryan's Welding	5,812.04
Rysavy Plumbing	1,004.10
Sterling Carpet One	24,793.11
Tim Shea's Nursery	11,025.00
Tronson Grain	207.10
USABluebook	560.81
Verizon	126.57
Vestis	78.71
Vigen, Craig	869.00
Voltschenk, Abigail	50.00
Witzel Construction	13,726.55
Zion's Bank	5,096.89
City Salaries	18,775.08
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TOTAL	\$591,420.81

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 5, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Member Matejcek made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Haugland. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Amie Vasichek
Auditor

Richard Riely
Mayor

*Full meeting minutes are available upon request at the Lakota City Hall.