MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ANETA CITY COUNCIL
October 5, 2026

The Aneta City Council met on Oct. 5, 2026 at 5 p.m. at the Aneta Community Center. Present at the meeting were Jaima Curry, Myron Ham, Kelly Kueber and Todd Whitman. Danny Hamlin was absent from the meeting.

Brad from Moore Engineering was at the meeting to give an update on the water/sewer project and discussed the items that need to be corrected. The water meter replacement project is almost completed; there are just a few items that need to be taken care of by a plumber.

Todd called the regular council meeting to order.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Financials were discussed and approved. A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Jaima to approve the financials. A vote was taken and all approved.

Old business was discussed.

Water meter installs are almost complete; there were just a few left to get done and they will all need to be scheduled on the same day for Ferguson to come back and install the meters.

Opp Construction has the city on their list. They are hoping to get it done yet this year, but if not, we will be first on the list in the spring.

Jaima stated the cost of a radar speed detection sign is around $2,800; with shipping it would be $3,500 for one or $5,600 for two signs. Michelle had emailed the NDDOT and hadn't heard back from them on grants or funding to help with the costs of these. It was brought up maybe just having the existing speed limit signs flash may help.

Having a dirt pile was brought up. A discussion was had and at this time the city will not have a dirt pile. The Booster Club is paying for dirt for the Park Board so they can fill holes in around the park.

New business was discussed.

Valerie Ashdown came to the meeting to give an update on the Park Board. She stated she and Paige West had attended the ND Next Conference and they got a lot of ideas on how to promote the community. Valerie discussed some of the results from the community survey from when the community picnic was held, and people would like to see more activities for all ages and families, and cleaning up the town. There are still issues with the door on the men's bathroom at the park; they are going to put a new seal on the door to see if that helps. Donations are still coming in for the wellness project. They still need around $116,000 to complete the project, but they are going to try to start some of the projects next year.

There are some lots by the old meat locker coming up for sale; it was discussed if no one bids on them, the city will buy them for $1.

Myron stated that the tree by his house on the lot the city owns should come down or something needs to be done with it. Kelly said only one branch needs to be cut. A discussion was had and it was decided nothing needs to be done at this time.

Todd mentioned that the tree pile needs to be pushed up and burned soon. Jaima will talk to Jody. It was also brought up the fire department could watch it burn as part of training. Also, the sign at the tree pile needs to be redone. We need to keep up to state standards; otherwise our tree pile could get shut down.

Bills were discussed:

Otter Tail Power	$1,698.60
Nelson Co. Sheriff	1,170.00
Brager Disposal	1,500.00
GF Utility Billing	26.00
Polar Communications	279.71
Todd Whitman	401.25
Michelle Middlestead	321.00
Kelly Kueber	420.19
Aneta Park District	301.18
Farmers Union	158.18
Karen Retzlaff	220.68
Moore Engineering	7,758.60
Black Mountain Software	630.00
US Treasury	1,093.87
Dakota Rural Water	7,713.40
Braun Electric	260.00
Bill Miller	398.85
Dan Hamlin	200.00
First United Bank	30.00
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Delinquent bills were discussed. Todd will talk to them.

Motion to adjourn was made by Kelly, seconded by Myron.

Next meeting will be Nov. 2, 2026 at 5 p.m. at the Aneta Community Center.

Submitted by
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City of Aneta Auditor