

**COOPERSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting - July 6, 2026**

The Cooperstown City Council met on Monday, July 6, 2026, at 7:00 pm in the city council room. Present: Paul Paintner, Deb Eslinger, Robin Hasenwinkel, Matthew Flatt, Charles Dehoff, Mike Eslinger and Mark Urness. Others present were Auditor Christine Olson, Deputy Auditor Jodi Loge, Public Works David Ludwig and Devin Moritz, Dennis Monson, Eric Costello, Clint Starke, Tom Olsen, and Park Board members Carissa Mehus, Megan Anderson, Rich Danielson, Lauren Ressler, and Bryce Trostad. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Urness to nominate D. Eslinger as president, motion by D. Eslinger to nominate Urness as president; 4 votes for D. Eslinger and 2 votes for Urness. D. Eslinger elected as president of council. MSC M. Eslinger, D. Eslinger to elect Urness as vice president. MSC M. Eslinger, Flatt to approve Mayor Paintner's appointment of Christine Olson as city auditor and city assessor. MSC M. Eslinger, Flatt to approve city council committee assignments as follows:

Urness: Finance and Streets & Alleys

M. Eslinger: Water Board and Refuse & Inert

Dehoff: Water & Sewer and Personnel

Flatt: Park Board and Forestry
D. Eslinger: Renaissance Zone and Ambulance

Eckman: Planning & Zoning and Safety

Paintner: Economic Development

All members: Ordinances

MSC D. Eslinger, Dehoff approved June 1, 2026, meeting minutes.

Mayor Paintner opened the public hearing to Tom Olsen regarding the Notice to Abate Nuisance he received. Tom is making progress cleaning up and was reminded he is the property owner regardless of whose items they are.

Public Comments were heard from Dennis Monson and Clint Starke addressing blight.

Christine provided an update

on the abandoned BNSF railroad property on the south side of Hwy 200.

The Park Board presented their plan for a new swimming pool.

MSC M. Eslinger, Flatt to charge \$400 to the City of Binford for mosquito spraying if they want to proceed. MSC Urness, D. Eslinger to purchase magnesium chloride from Blend Magic at \$.81 per pound, and purchase enough to apply on 1st St.

MSC M. Eslinger, Urness to sign a 60-month lease with ABM for a copier. MSC Urness, M. Eslinger to approve signing the NDFS 2026 Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation Grant agreement.

MSC D. Eslinger, Urness to accept the financial report as presented. The list of bills was presented. MSC Urness, M. Eslinger approved payment of the bills presented. Roll call vote with all voting aye, motion passed unanimously.

COLONIAL LIFE	\$688.71
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	
.....	\$12,469.61
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$120.03
VISA	\$1,400.72
VISA	\$435.54
EFTPS	\$9,221.45
NDPERS	\$3,067.05
EFTPS	\$131.20
NDPERS	\$112.08
POSTMASTER	\$106.00
Office Experts	\$1,595.00
ND ONE CALL, INC.	\$82.50
FINLEY FARMERS ELEVATOR	\$350.00
INSURE FORWARD	\$116.00
ARROWWOOD PRAIRIE CO-OP	\$2,517.06
ELLEFSON SALES EXCAVATING LLC	\$3,330.00
TOWN & COUNTRY CO-OP	
.....	\$1,776.32
NODAK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE..	\$300.51
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES... ..	\$127.64
METRO-BILLING SERVICES	\$550.00
POSTMASTER	\$275.64
TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL	
LLC	\$6,999.79
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LLC	\$1,070.00
Briss, Craig	\$277.05
Eslinger, Debra	\$1,015.85
Eslinger, Michael	\$1,108.20

Harris, Samantha	\$494.07
JOHNSON, ISAAC, R	\$2,393.36
Keller, Julie M	\$1,581.88
Loge, Jodi	\$1,924.44
Ludwig, David O	\$4,819.47
Martin, Amanda R	\$232.73
Mehus, Carissa	\$401.72
Mickelson, Byron	\$748.67
Moritz, Devin	\$2,888.76
Olson, Christine L	\$3,082.71
Olson, Larry G	\$1,015.85
Paintner, Nancy	\$367.49
Paintner, Paul	\$2,263.33
Perry, Steven T	\$461.75
Turner, Jayden	\$2,465.07
Urness, Mark	\$1,356.62
Vincent, Cole, D	\$2,430.22
Zimprich, Donald	\$972.44
Moritz, Devin	\$562.53
Olson, Christine L	\$78.70
AGRI-SALES INCORPORATED	
.....	\$6,490.00
COOPERSTOWN MUN AIRPORT	
AUTH	\$327.42
ALTRU HEALTH SYSTEM	\$60.00
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS	
.....	\$178.99
AMERICINN	\$85.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	
.....	\$2,627.79
BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	
.....	\$6,800.00
BRAVERA INSURANCE, INC	
.....	\$11,666.00
CHRISTINE OLSON	\$35.00
CITY OF FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA .	
.....	\$14.00
COOPERSTOWN HARDWARE	
.....	\$1,108.63
DAVID LUDWIG	\$35.00
Devin Moritz	\$35.00
ELECTRIC PUMP	\$800.00
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	
I	\$242.00
GILBERTSONS	\$2,536.00
GRIGGS COUNTY TREASURER	
.....	\$200.00
HAROLD ROTUNDA	\$3,600.00
Hawkins, Inc	\$4,148.72
INSURE FORWARD	\$16,439.00
JODI LOGE	\$35.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	\$1,506.95
KAT & Company	\$750.00
GRIGGS COUNTY LIBRARY	\$705.48
MILLERS FRESH FOODS	\$1,780.37
Minnesota Valley Testing Labs	
.....	\$775.58
MLGC	\$655.97
NAASTAD BROTHERS INC	
.....	\$46,810.00
NANCY PAINTNER	\$110.82

ND LEAGUE OF CITIES	\$1,425.00
ND ONE CALL, INC.....	\$33.00
NDAAO	\$50.00
NDDEQ	\$14.56
NEW CENTURY PRESS	\$207.29
OTTER TAIL POWER CO	\$4,344.03
COOPERSTOWN PARK BOARD	
.....	\$2,186.91
RENAE GILBERTSON.....	\$385.38
ROBIN HASENWINKEL	\$175.40
STOCKLAND & SON	
CONSTRUCTION	\$1,480.00
VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO ...	\$3,769.50
VESTIS	\$322.94
Monthly ACH.....	\$11,112.85

MSC D. Eslinger, Flatt approved a local permit submitted by Griggs County Sheriff's Office for a raffle board. MSC Dehoff, M. Eslinger approved a local permit submitted by Griggs County Fair for bingo and a raffle. MSC Urness, M.

Eslinger approved a special event permit submitted by Millers Fresh Foods for a beer garden. MSC M. Eslinger, Flatt approved a special event permit submitted by The Fish Bowl for a beer garden. MSC Dehoff, D. Eslinger approved a street closing permit submitted by the Cooperstown Community Club for car show and street dance. MSC Urness, Dehoff approved a street closing permit submitted by the Griggs County Fair for fair activities. MSC Urness, D. Eslinger approved a fireworks permit submitted by Trinity Lutheran Church. MSC Urness, D. Eslinger approved a building permit submitted by Phil Fowler/706 4th St NW for a deck. MSC Dehoff, Hasenwinkel approved a building permit submitted by Justin Costello/1209

Lenham Ave SE for a garage. MSC Urness, M. Eslinger approved a building permit submitted by Jack Zorn for a new commercial building at 201 Baker St. MSC D. Eslinger, Flatt approved a building permit submitted by Curt Beattie/801 11th St NE for a driveway, sidewalk, patio, and portico. MSC D. Eslinger, Dehoff approved a building permit submitted by Nathan Johnson for a fence and patio.

MSC D. Eslinger, Flatt to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm.

These are unofficial minutes.
Christine Olson, City Auditor
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