

City of Fort Ransom

CITY OF FORT RANSOM AUGUST 3, 2026, MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Al Huckell, Andy Devitt, Mary Roman, Steve Thorfinnson, Robbie Sagvold, City Auditor LaDonna Anderson

CITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Olson, Mercedes Lickfelt, Karen Lickfelt, Gerald Anderson, John Harvey

The City Council of Fort Ransom held their regular monthly meeting on August 3, 2026, at 6:30 PM at Fort Ransom Community Hall.

Andy Devitt made a motion to accept the minutes. Robbie Sagvold second. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Robbie Sagvold made a motion to accept the bills as presented. Andy Devitt second. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS TO BE PAID:

Cass County Electric	35.66
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LaDonna Anderson	1,000.00
Ryan Sherbrooke (Sewer)	500.00
Intuit Monthly Subscription	433.00
QuickBooks Payroll	238.20
Fat Man Trash	1,151.12
Mary Roman (Mowing – 25 hours @ 20.00)	500.00
NDLC Annual Fall Conference Registration	1,145.00
Caline Olson (Donation-Fireworks)	200.00
Best Buy (Office Supplies)	29.99
Scott Thorfinnson	650.00
BND-SRF	14,510.00

NDIRF 793.00

Swearing In
• Steve Thorfinnson was sworn in as City Council Member by LaDonna Anderson.

Old Business
• Ehrlin Letter of Concern
• A letter of concern from John and Connie Ehrlin was reviewed. Mayor Huckell contacted City County Health but was unable to reach the person in charge. He will call again.

New Business
• NDIRF – Premium Discussion
Lance Gulleeson from NDIRF met with the council to discuss insurance premiums.

• Dam Permit Notice
A letter was received from Inter-

state Engineering regarding notice of a permit for the dam.

• SVACA Wine Permit
A wine permit request from SVACA was presented.
• Motion: Steve Thorfinnson moved to approve the permit.
• Second: Andy Devitt
• Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.
• Community Club – Siding & Labor Project

The Community Club requested the city pay for half of the siding and labor project.

• Motion: Steve Thorfinnson moved to pay for ½ of the siding project.
• Second: Robbie Sagvold
• Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.
• Tree Ownership Discussion
• Discussion was held regarding two trees south of Mercedes Lickfeldt.

Mayor Huckell will contact Joe Billington to determine ownership.

• Plant Purchase – Mitch Hoenhaus Funeral
• Motion: Andy Devitt moved to purchase a plant for Mitch Hoenhaus's funeral.
• Second: Mary Roman
• Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.
• Bobcat Clean Up – Community Hall

• Jerry Lautt contacted Andy Devitt regarding Bobcat Clean Up. Volunteers have offered to remove deadfall and old weeds behind the community hall.

• Street Closure Request – John Harvey
• John Harvey requested permission to block the street between Dry Hollow and Devitt Plumbing on Saturday, September 5 (Labor Day weekend). The alley and the street in front of Cary's and Billings will remain open.

• Motion: Mary Roman moved to accept the minutes.
• Second: Steve Thorfinnson
• Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.
Adjournment
• Motion: Steve Thorfinnson moved to adjourn.
• Second: Andy Devitt
• Vote: All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

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