

**City of Tappen Regular Meeting
August 3, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Barnick. Councilmen present Pete Martin, Dale Dockter, Mike Pfaff and Doug Kinnischtzke.

Visitors: Loren Lang, Kidder County Emergency Manager, and Joel Kalmbach were present to discuss the Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan for the city of Tappen. This plan is updated every 5 years. Topics covered were natural hazards such as drought, flooding, severe summer or winter weather, radon, fires, etc. Also discussed were technological hazards and adversarial hazards such as cyber attacks and criminal/terrorist attacks.

The minutes from July were read and treasury report reviewed. Dale moved to approve, with Mike seconding. All in favor. MC

There have been some positive results from the clean up letters, although more needs to be done.

Terms were finalized for advertising for bids to tear down and remove

the band house and foundation, fill in the site with topsoil and level when done. Bids need to be in by Monday, September 1, 2026. Work needs to be completed by October 15, 2026. The city reserves the right to reject any/or all bids. Posters will be made and an ad will be placed in the Steele Ozone.

The bills were reviewed. Doug moved to approve, with Dale seconding. All in favor. MC

The preliminary budget was discussed and approved. The final budget meeting will be held Monday, October 5, at the Tappen City Hall. Time: 8:00 PM

Discussion was held on overdue garbage and sewer bills. Dale moved to put an administrative fee of \$100 on unpaid garbage and sewer bills that are several months past due and need to be put on the tax roll. Also, beginning in January 2027 the last fee will be increased to \$15/month. Doug seconded. All in favor. MC

The Harvestfest committee asked permission to use main street, the city hall and school grounds during

Harvestfest for events going on that weekend. The board approved.

Being there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Payments Approved -Aug. 3, 2026

IRS/941	263.16
Theft ID Protection.....	5.00
Bank of ND/Lift Station Payment.....	
.....	11,495.00
Payroll - less deductions.....	1,609.14
Strom Sanitation	2,474.69
Tappen Fire Protection District	
.....	3,000.00
MDU	1,419.25
Noa Barnick/reimburse postage	49.00
Steele Ozone.....	56.95
SCRWD	81.23
Paulson Gravel Dust Control	6,393.92
Ben Juelf.....	100.00
Tappen Oil Company	212.00
Bek Communications.....	90.27
Total:	\$27,249.61

/s/ Brice Barnick

Mayor

/s/ Noa Barnick

Auditor