

January 5, 2026

Unapproved Minutes

Members Present: President Gary Krogman, Myron Mohan, Gary Beekman, Holly Bickett.

Absent: Collin Roach Also Present: Doyle Langland, Ryan Sauter, Marie Wallace, Al McLaughlin, Chris Erickson

President Krogman Called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Motion by Bickett to approve the agenda with the addition of City Building Concerns under new business. 2nd by Beekman. All approved, motion carried.

Public Comment – Begnaud Noted McLaughlin's concern from last meeting with sewer/storm water and the tiling will NOT run through town. McLaughlin also asked for an update on the Engineering report done in 2025, City is still waiting on Civil design to finish their report.

Begnaud read December minutes. Motion by Bickett to approve minutes as read. 2nd by Beekman. All approved, motion carried.

January Bills presented and discussed, Motion by Beekman to approve bills as presented 2nd by Bickett. All approved, motion carried.

January Bills as Follows: USDA \$426.00 Rural Development Loan; Avid Hawk \$49 Website; Cooks Wastepaper \$954.72; Oldham Saloon \$434.01 Off Sale License Terminated – Reimbursement; Oldham Community Center \$79.42 Overpayment of Alliance Bill; Northwestern Energy \$71.94 Natural Gas; Taz Visa \$441.93 Supplies, Sioux Valley Energy \$25 Electric; Prairie Ag Partners \$13.80 Supplies; Kramer Mechanical \$1792.00 ½ of new heater in Fire Hall; Kingbrook Rural Water \$141.00 Water; Avid Hawk \$49.00 website; Alliance Communications \$127.00 Phone/Internet; Cooks Wastepaper \$954.72 Garbage; Dawson Construction \$486.50 Snow Removal; Payroll \$2076.79; SD DOR \$148.18 Sales Tax

December Finances Presented, Motion by Bickett to approve the December finances, 2nd by Beekman. All approved, motion carried.

Maintenance Report – Doyle noted hoping to get the tractor to town tomorrow. Depth meter will be placed this month. Street barricades briefly discussed, Doyle can make some if city decides they want some new ones.

Delinquent Bills – Discussed, no Action taken

Nuisance Properties –No date set for court yet, attorney will notify when set.

Grant Application – Updated quote presented for bathroom doors, Park tables from Lake Preston Shop Class, and updated quote for play equipment (without tax and only the 1 piece of

equipment) Motion by Bickett to purchase two (2) park tables from the Lake Preston School Shop Class for \$350 each 2nd by Beekman, all approved motion carried.

Mowing Letters – Begnaud reported 17 letters were sent to 26 different properties.

Code Enforcement Specialists – Book was received, council members to look and compare

N Leslie Property – Attorney is waiting on one land owners' information before moving forward.

Conditional Use permits – Chris & Ryan brought that they were challenging the conditional use permits for their game lodges, short term rentals. MUCH discussion and back and forth was had regarding the need for conditional use permits as the ordinances stated. Bickett mentioned this ordinance is in place to protect the City and give the neighbors a right to voice their opinion. Business owners brought the accusation that the city is picking on successful businesses and trying to push them out and gave the ultimatum that they would pull their businesses out of town. Motion by Beekman to allow Chris Erickson & Ryan Sauter to operate their game lodge in their residential area without conditional use permits. 2nd by Mohan. YEA - Mohan and Beekman. NAY-Bickett. Motion Carried.

2026 Election—Begnaud will be attending a meeting next week to discuss with county and other finance officers' options as to combine with the county election or in conjunction on our own.

Park trees – Bickett to order 10 trees from conservation district

Wages and Salaries – Wages and Salaries to stay the same as previous, City Maintenance \$20/hr. Council President \$100/meeting, Council Members \$80/meeting, Finance Officer \$975/mo.

City Building – has a broken beam in the back room, Doyle to look at it.

Council Concerns - Gary Beekman formally put in his verbal resignation as city council member, effective 1/6/26, as he will be moving soon. Motion by Bickett to accept Gary Beekman's resignation. 2nd by Mohan. All approved, motion Carried.

February meeting to be February 2nd, 7:00 PM at city hall.

Motion by Bickett to Adjourn, 2nd by Beekman. All approved, motion Carried.

Kaylyn Begnaud, Finance Officer

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