

The regular monthly City Council meeting was held on September 8, 2025, with Mayor Jake Wentland, Council Member Terri Trettel, Council Member Travis Bartkowicz, Council Member Jessy Lashinski, City Clerk Jude Stodolka and Treasurer Molly Sobania present. Also in attendance were Jordie Stay and Fire Chief Brad Psyck.

Roll call was approved. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to accept roll call. Seconded by Terri Trettel.

August minutes were approved. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to approve August minutes. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

Bills to be paid were approved with no additional new bills. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve bills to be paid. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

Treasurer's report was approved. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

FIRE: Fire Chief Brad Psyck reported they will be leveling the ground in front of the Fire Hall/City Hall to lay concrete. The Fire Department needs approval for a 3% increase in the 2026 Fire Contracts. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the increase. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski. Fire Chief Brad Psyck asked the city to speak to a resident that has a fence too close to a fire hydrant.

WATER/SEWER: Joe Sobania informed the council that hydrants will be flushed in September or October.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Jordie Stay delivered \$1,300.00 in Community Center rentals and \$100.00 in tent rentals. She would like to have the phone number of Jordie's Trail Side Café recorded on the Cities office phone that would immediately transfer anyone inquiring on renting the Community Center over to her. The new pamphlets for the Community Center were reviewed. A discussion took place, and the council members would like to see more photos of the Soo Line, playground and a few more photos of the interior of the building.

UTILITIES: Utility Administrator Sara Seelen and Travis Bartkowicz are still working with Fallsnet to get the online bill-pay service working efficiently.

OLD BUSINESS: The quote from M&R Signs was approved for three new stop signs. The purchase price is \$174.87. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to purchase the signs. Seconded by Terri Trettel. The city is still waiting for a reply from Avid Construction regarding repairs on the pavilion.

Ryan with Moore Engineering came to review the city's sidewalks to see if we need to add them on to the county project.

There will be an update on Rural Water next month.

The employee job descriptions were tabled.

Jessy and Chad Lashinski would like a new permit reissued next year for building a shed. Their permit will expire. It will be reissued next spring at no charge.

Two building permits were issued for two decks for Jessy and Chad Lashinski at 307 3rd Ave. N. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the permit. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz. A fee amount of \$50.00 was collected.

Mike Brady requested a building permit for a 20'x36' portable shed on the property at 105 1st Street. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to approve the permit. Seconded by Terri Trettel. A fee amount of \$10.00 was collected.

The 2025 Levy increase will continue at 12%. Payable in 2026. Motion to approve was made by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Jessie Lashinski. Meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

City Clerk

Jude Stodolka