

The regular monthly City Council meeting was held on June 2, 2025, with Mayor Jake Wentland, Council Member Jessy Lashinski, Council Member Terri Trettel, Council Member Travis Bartkowicz, City Clerk Jude Stodolka and Treasurer Molly Sobania present. Also in attendance were Josh Seelen, Jordie Stay, Sara Seelen and Fire Chief Brad Psyck.

A motion was made to approve roll call by Jessy Lashinski. Seconded by Terri Trettel.

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

The bills to be paid were approved. A motion to approve was made by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

The Treasurer report was approved. A motion was made to approve by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Fire: Brad Psyck informed the council that the City Hall/Fire Hall building is in need of renovation and asked if the City of Bowlus would be interested in making a donation. Brad will first access money from the Gambling Fund. The City of Bowlus agreed to donate the remaining amount needed. Knife River will be purchasing 10,500 gallons of water per day for the road repair on county road 238. The hydrant from which the water will be drawn will need a meter. Joe Sobania will research the type of meter required.

First Response: No report

Water/Sewer: No report

Community Center: Jordie Stay brought in \$1,700.00 for rentals. An order will be placed for 1,000 pamphlets, with the new rental prices, at a cost of \$427.70 from Zappa Graphics and Design.

Utilities: A quote was received for a new system for bill pay on the Bowlus Website. The cost of the start-up product is \$795.00 with an additional annual fee of \$195.00 for training for Utility Administrator Sara Seelen. The system will be managed by Kenten with Fallsnet. Any notices will need to be given to Sara by July 1, 2025.

Old Business: Al Leners attended the meeting. He brought in pictures of the culverts in need of repair at 12668 40th Street, Royalton. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to bring in class 5 gravel for the repair. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

The playground mulch from Safety First Playground, at the cost of \$3,339, was

approved. It will be applied to the playground before Bowlus Fun Day, July 6, 2025. A motion was made to approve purchasing and applying the playground mulch by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski. Terri Trettel will order borders for the playground. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to order additional borders. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

A Tobacco License renewal fee will cost \$25.00. A motion was made to approve by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski.

Water/Sewer Administrator Joe Sobania will receive an hourly wage of \$25.00 per hour for work outside of his Water/Sewer Administrator position. A motion to approve was made by Jessy Lashinski. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

New Business: Jude Stodolka is requesting a building permit for a deck on her property at 113 Fremont Street.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion to approve by Terri Trettel. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski.

A Special Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Jake Wentland, City Council Members Terri Trettel, Jessy Lashinski, Travis Bartkowicz and City Clerk Jude Stodolka present.

Doreen Loomis interviewed for the City Hall/Fire Hall and Community Center custodial position. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the hiring of Doreen Loomis. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski.

Jude Stodolka
City Clerk