

The regular monthly City Council meeting was held on August 4, 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 Joe Sobania, Fire Chief Brad Psyck, Sara Seelen and Jordie Stay.

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

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

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

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

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

FIRE: Fire Chief Brad Psyck suggested the city purchase a lawn mower bagger. The topic was tabled until next month.

FIRST RESPONSE: No Report

WATER/SEWER: No Report

COMMUNITY CENTER: Jordie Stay delivered \$1,650.00 for June and July rentals.

UTILITIES: Sara Seelen, Utility Administrator, informed the city council that there will be a demo of the Nuevi System for online payment of utility bills on August 15, at 9:00 a.m. She also informed the city council that the utility bill drop box is working very well.

OLD BUSINESS: A discussion was held regarding adding a new stop sign on second street, north of the Fire Hall. Mayor Jake Wentland will obtain a quote from M&R Signs for three new stop signs.

Mayor Jake Wentland will have a conversation with Cody from Avid Construction regarding needed repairs to the pavilion.

The city council has approved four additional mosquito spray treatments for the month of August. A motion was made by Jessy Lashinski to approve the additional

treatments. Seconded by Travis Lashinski.

Jan Holt-Virnig building permit was issued for a 12'x 16' breezeway that will connect the house to the garage at 11866 40th Street, Bowlus. A \$25.00 permit fee was received. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the permit. Seconded by Jessy Lashinski.

A Morrison County Road project is scheduled for 2026-2027. Included in this project will be sidewalk replacement. It was agreed by the city council to have the county come out and survey the sidewalks, at no charge, to determine the cost of replacing sidewalks in the city.

The city will request a meeting with Rural Water to discuss the City of Bowlus water and sewer rates. A date has not been scheduled.

Mayor Jake Wentland has requested that a discussion regarding the city employee job descriptions be added to the September 8, 2025 City Council Meeting agenda.

A building permit was issued to Stacy and Jason Anderson to add a 35'x25' driveway at 308 3rd Avenue North, Bowlus. A \$25.00 permit fee was received. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the permit. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

Matt Leners requested a building permit for a 40'x60' pole shed at 12515 40th street, Bowlus. A \$50.00 permit fee was received. A motion was made by Terri Trettel to approve the permit. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz.

Nicole Smude with Saehr Consulting attended the meeting. The ordinances have been approved by the city council. Attorney Sue Dege will review the ordinances to make sure the guidelines of the city ordinance codes are correct. Attorney Sue Dege and a representative from Saehr Consulting will attend the public meeting on September 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. following the regular meeting which will be held at 5:00 p.m. due to the first Monday of the month falling on Labor Day. All notices have been posted.

A motion was made by Terri Trettel to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Travis Bartkowicz. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Jude Stodolka

City Clerk