

**MOBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 13, 2026**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Mobridge, South Dakota was held in City Hall in said City on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Gene Cox, City Administrator/Finance Officer Heather Beck and the following council were present: Goetz, Cerney, Reichert, Jensen, Kemnitz and Carlson.

AGENDA:

The agenda was approved on a motion by Reichert, second by Carlson and carried.

MINUTES:

Moved by Carlson, second by Goetz and carried, to approve the regular meeting minutes from April 8, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6 Moved by Reichert, second by Carlson and carried, to enter into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (3), legal issues. Note: 5:32 PM.

The Mayor called the council out of executive session at 5:47 PM. No action was taken.

Water/Sewer Department

PAY REQUEST NO. 13 6 Moved by Carlson, second by Kemnitz and carried, to approve pay request no. 13 to Preload, LLC in the amount of \$4,738.50 for the water storage tank project.

PAY REQUEST NO. 10 6 Moved by Reichert, second by Carlson and carried, to approve pay request no. 10 to Muth Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$69,284.20 for the water treatment plant electrical construction project.

STEP INCREASE 6 Moved by Carlson, second by Goetz, and carried, to approve a step increase for wastewater technician Chris Keller, increasing his hourly wage from \$27.15 to \$27.47 effective May 4, 2026. Keller recently passed his Class II WW certification.

STEP INCREASE 6 Moved by Kemnitz, second by Reichert, and carried, to approve a step increase for water plan manager Daron Brown increasing his hourly wage from \$28.08 to \$28.33 effective May 4, 2026.

Finance Department

PUBLIC HEARING AIR B&B 6 Hearing no opinion for or against, moved by Reichert, second by Goetz and carried, to approve a short-term rental license for JRSW Rental at the location of 1015 2nd Ave E. The property has met all requirements to obtain a license.

SEASONAL EMPLOYEES 6 Moved by Carlson, second by Kemnitz, and carried to approve the following seasonal staff for 2026: Otto Oster - \$20.00, Steve Fuhrman - \$20.00, Robert Meyer - \$20.00, Dale Holgard - \$18.00, and lifeguard Jesse James Schmidt Crowfeather - \$12.50.

CEMETERY DEEDS 6 Moved by Goetz, second by Reichert, and carried, to approve the following cemetery deeds: City of Mobridge to Dennis Bachman transferring Graves 1-4, Lot 75 in Block P of the Greenwood Cemetery 1st Addition and City of Mobridge to Linda Martin transferring Graves 1, Lot 43 in Block P of the Greenwood Cemetery 1st Addition.

MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE RENEWALS - Moved by Carlson, second by Jensen, and carried, to approve the following malt beverage license renewals for 2026-2027:

Mobridge Pit Stop	Lots 1-2 Block 34 Grand Crossing	Retail (On-Off Sale)
LaCabana	Lots 1-3, Block 1, Eklo's 1 st Add	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Last Chance	Lots 5 & 6 Block 41 NW 3 rd	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Mobridge Gas-n-Goodies	Lots 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, Replat 16-18, Blk 22	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Mobridge Gas-n-Goodies 2	Lots 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, Replat 16-18, Blk 22	Retail (On-Off Sale)

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Rick's Café, LLC	Lots 2-6 Block 11 Mobridge Original	Retail (On-Off Sale)
The Gas Stop	Lots 10-12 Block 1 Eklos 1 st	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Great Plains Family Rest.	Lot 1 & part of Lots 2, 3 & 9 Blk 43, NWTS 3 rd Add	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Merkel's Foods	Lots 14-18 Block 21 Milwaukee 1 st	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Buche Foods	Lots 4-15 Block 40 Grand Crossing	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Dollar General	Dollar General Addition	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Oink Pizza	Lots 11-12, Block 10, Original	Retail (On-Off Sale)
D&D Mine LLC	Lot 6A, Block 2, Original	Retail (On-Off Sale)
D&D Mine II LLC	Lot 6A, Block 2, Original	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Mobridge Rodeo Assoc.	Tr A & B SE ¼ 20-124-79	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Family Dollar	N 250' Lot B, Shor Acres	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Holiday Stationstores, LLC	Lots 10-12, Blk 1, Eklo's 1 st Addn	Retail (On-Off Sale)
Depot Restaurant	Lots 1 & 2, Blk 2, PLAT BLKS. 1,2 & 3 IN SE4SE4 20-124-79	Retail (On-Off Sale)

TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSES 6 A public hearing was held for temporary liquor licenses. Hearing no opinion for or against, moved by Carlson, second by Jensen and carried, to approve a temporary liquor license to the Mobridge Rodeo, Inc. on June 27, 2026 at Scherr Howe Arena for a fundraising event. Hearing no opinion for or against, moved by Jensen, second by Goetz, and carried, to approve a temporary liquor license to the Mobridge Rodeo, Inc. on July 1-4, 2026 at Mobridge rodeo grounds for a fundraising event.

FILL IN PT POSITION LIBRARY 6 Moved by Reichert, second by Jensen, and carried, to approve hiring Katie Zerr as part time fill in librarian at \$15.00 per hour effective upon start date.

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE SIDEWALK 6 A petition was received from Agri Partners Inc to waive the sidewalk requirement for their property located at 1515 East Grand Crossing. Moved by Carlson, second by Reichert and carried, to approve Resolution No. 26-05, a resolution to waive a sidewalk.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-5

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE SIDEWALK REQUIREMENT

WHEREAS, the owners of the real property described as All of Blocks 2 & 9, East Mobridge Addition to the City of Mobridge, South Dakota have requested the City waive the requirement of placing a sidewalk on the above property; and

WHEREAS, said there are currently no sidewalk on surrounding properties with no pedestrian connectivity.

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Mobridge hereby resolves to waive the requirement of placing a sidewalk on All of Block 2 & 9, East Mobridge Addition to the City of Mobridge, South Dakota.

CLOSE OUT UNUSED FUNDS 6 Moved by Kemnitz, second by Goetz, and carried, to approve the following journal entry to close out unused special revenue and project funds, transferring balances to other funds as of December 31, 2025:

Account	Debit	Credit
G 221-10100 CASH	\$0.00	\$2,852.76
G 515-10100 CASH	\$0.00	\$34,152.74
G 519-10100 CASH	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
E 221-51100-45910 TRANSFER OUT	\$2,852.76	\$0.00
E 515-51100-45910 TRANSFER OUT	\$34,152.74	\$0.00
E 519-51100-45910 TRANSFER OUT	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
G 101-10100 CASH	\$39,005.50	\$0.00
R 101-39111 TRANSFER IN	\$0.00	\$39,005.50
G 224-10100 CASH	\$0.00	\$29,964.41
G 302-10100 CASH	\$0.00	\$56,839.19
E 224-51100-45910 TRANSFER OUT	\$29,964.41	\$0.00
E 302-51100-45910 TRANSFER OUT	\$56,839.19	\$0.00
G 604-10100 CASH	\$86,803.60	\$0.00
R 604-39110 OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$0.00	\$86,803.60
	\$251,618.20	\$251,618.20

STEP INCREASE 6 Moved by Reichert, second by Jensen, and carried, to approve a step increase for dispatcher Mark Kaiser increasing his hourly wage from \$27.15 to \$27.47 effective May 4, 2026.

TRANSFER SURPLUS PROPERTY 6 Moved by Kemnitz, second by Jensen, and carried, to approve transferring the surplus property Ford Explorer police vehicle VIN ending 32002 to Walworth County Sheriff's office.

PT TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASST 6 Moved by Carlson, second by Jensen, and carried, to approve moving Teresa Romans from 24/7 coordinator to PT Telecommunications Assistant at 30 hrs per week with adjusted accrued vacation. With the dispatcher shortage, this position will assist dispatchers in managing the admin phone lines and other tasks as assigned.

LEASE AGREEMENT 6 Moved by Jensen, second by Kemnitz, and carried, to approve the lease agreement with Westside Meats, Inc.; trading current leased property to two other parcels.

NUISANCE CITATIONS 6 The code enforcement officer currently has the authority under existing city ordinances to issue citations for nuisance violations. Officer Nehls requested the council give their permission to issue citations to repeat nuisance offenders. Cerney requested that an internal policy be written for these circumstances. Moved by Jensen, second by Carlson, and carried, to approve issuing citations for repeat nuisance offenders and for an internal written policy adopted for issuing such citations.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 6 Beck submitted a financial statement to the Council.

BUILDING PERMITS 6 The following building permits were approved by the zoning officer for the month of April: Wroper Kosel, 1320 4th Ave East, Move Mobile home in & build new 25'x33' garage; Loren Yates, 302 East Grand Crossing, Temporary Shipping Containers; Agri Partners Inc., 1515 East Grand Crossing, Ag Retail Business Office, Warehouse, Grain Bins and Liquid Fertilizer Tanks; Erica Ayoub, 714 1st Ave West, Replacing & extending front deck and replacing windows; Lori Jacobs, 701 1st Ave East, Removing garage, breezeway and replacing with 12'x25' addition and 25.5'x27' attached garage; Starla Spotted Horse, 609 7th Ave East, Replacing Damage & Rotten Boards on Deck; Noah Freyereisen, 209 4th Ave East, Extension on 32'x34' Garage building permit.

ANNUAL REPORT 6 Beck presented the annual report to the council pursuant to SDCL 9-22-21.

Reichert left meeting at 6:17 PM.

PUBLIC FORUM AND VISITORS:

Maria Laude 6 Mrs. Laude spoke against the splashpad project.

Lyle Perman 6 Mr. Perman introduced himself to the council as county commissioner candidate.

Dick Warner 6 Mr. Warner introduced himself to the council as district 23 house candidate.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Moved by Carlson, second by Kemnitz, and carried, to approve the following bills for payment: Aaron Vogel, prof. services, 45.00; Aberdeen Family YMCA, training, 285.00; Aflac, insurance, 695.42; Alex Air Apparatus, prof. services/supplies, 1,581.43; Alexis Hoisington, supplies, 6.36; Allen Bau, refund, 30.28; Asure Operations, publishing, 99.00; AT&T Mobility, telephone/utilities, 1,052.59; Badger Meter, prof. services, 143.28; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer, attorney services, 496.00; Best Western Ramkota, travel & conference, 345.00; Brad Iron, supplies, 80.00; Breit & Boomsma, garnishment, 246.12; Bridge City Small Engine, machinery & equipment/repair & maintenance, 1,476.86; Cahill, Bauer & Associates, prof. services, 15,795.00; Cam Wal Electric, street lights/utilities, 623.26; Center Point Large Print, books, 51.54; Century Business Products, copier lease/supplies, 668.36; Charles Bo Kaiser, prof. services/travel & conference, 129.00; Charles Savely, refund, 100.00; Chris Keller, prof. services/travel & conference, 152.00; Core & Main, repair & maintenance, 595.42; Credit Collections Bureau, garnishment, 520.04; Dacotah Paper, supplies, 1,058.76; Dady Drug, supplies, 71.24; Dakota Glass & Alignment, vehicle maintenance, 1,996.71; Daron Brown, prof. service, 45.00; Deane Hunter, prof. services, 816.00; Delta, dental, 771.00; Deputy Finance, prof. services, 46.17; Eggers Electric Motor Co., machinery/equipment, 2,691.39; Environmental Resource Associates, chemicals, 764.84; Ethanol Products, chemicals, 4,630.50; Fay's Refrigeration
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& Heating, repair & maintenance, 1,852.68; First Interstate Bank, HSA contributions/payroll tax, 42,339.60; Fisher Scientific, chemicals, 840.00; Fleet Services, gasoline/vehicle maintenance, 3,216.03; Foerster Testing Limited, water project, 6,485.00; G.F. Buche Foods, supplies, 319.72; Gas-n-Goodies, gasoline, 35.00; Grand Central, vehicle maintenance, 94.00; Graymont, chemicals, 6,686.29; Gregg's Drilling & Excavating, prof. services, 11,931.45; Hach Company, chemicals, 196.93; Hawkins, chemicals, 14,782.26; Heartland Waste, prof services, 24,291.85; High Point Network, computer software & hardware, 4,253.60; Homestead Building Supplies, repair & maintenance, 224.91; Ingram Library Services, books, 368.62; Insight Partners, liability insurance, 107.00; Jackie Grage, refund, 550.73; Jamie Dietterle, travel & conference, 14.00; Jensen Rock & Sand, gravel & oil road, 815.60; Johnson Controls Building Solution, repair & maintenance, 1,337.01; Justin Jungwirth, travel & conference, 396.40; KCL Group Benefits, health insurance, 475.71; Kurt Schmaltz, prof. services, 43.00; Language Line Services, prof. services, 180.00; Legacy Mark, prof. services, 432.50; Library Director, supplies, 60.52; Mastercard, chemicals/computer software & hardware/postage/office supplies/prof. services/other services/travel & conference/supplies/uniform, 6,433.28; MDU, street lights/utilities, 17,210.54; Merkel's Foods, supplies, 273.80; Metering & Technology, water metering, 3,277.17; Midcontinent Communications, utilities, 210.65; Milbank Winwater Works, supplies, 387.19; Minnesota Child Support Payment Center, garnishment, 1,111.94; Mobridge Chamber of Commerce, prof. services, 10,626.46; Mobridge Hardware, building maintenance/supplies/yard work/repair & maintenance, 1,281.08; Mobridge Tribune, publishing/supplies, 912.96; Mobridge-Pollock School, refund, 350.00; Moore Engineering, other capital/water project, 22,208.73; NAPA of Mobridge, repair & maintenance, 33.99; Nathan Shillingstad, prof. services, 139.00; Nippon Sanso Matheson, prof. services, 109.98; Oahe Landscapes, repair & maintenance/playpark care/sprinkler system/yard work, 1,767.55; Oahe Vet, prof. services, 725.73; Office Depot, supplies, 136.63; Payment Service Network, credit card fees, 54.95; Perfect Fit, refund, 79.05; Premier Equipment, repair & maintenance/yard work, 2,660.32; Quenzer Electric, repair & maintenance/street lights, 328.24; Ramkota Hotel, travel & conference, 141.00; Riteway Business Forms, supplies, 1,416.22; Running Supply, supplies/equipment maintenance/small tools, 564.45; Sanitation Products Inc., truck maintenance, 2,333.54; SCP Distributors LLC, repair & maintenance, 2,865.69; SD Assoc. of Rural Water Systems, membership dues, 890.00; SD Child Support Payment Center, garnishment, 513.24; SD DANR, prof. services, 60.00; SD Dept of Health, water samples, 433.00; SD Magazine, other services, 29.00; SD One Call, prof. services, 25.20; SD Retirement System, retirement, 20,472.18; SD State Treasure, taxes, 1,943.39; SDML Worker's Compensation fund, worker's compensation, 1.00; SDRS Supplement, retirement, 302.00; Sea Reach LTD., improve other than buildings, 220.00; Shawn Madison, travel & conference, 603.70; Slater Oil & Lp, lp gas/diesel/gasoline, 13,476.45; Spee-Dee Delivery Service, postage, 10.87; Stan Silvernegel, refund, 500.00; TK'S Plumbing, repair & maintenance, 127.50; Total Response, computer & software, 3,235.55; Tri-State Waters, supplies, 45.75; Two Lane Tactics, prof. services, 399.96; Uniform Center, uniform & equipment, 18.00; US Bank, loan, 15,816.25; US Postal Services, postage, 1,052.53; USDA-Rural Development, loan payment, 5,298.00; Valley Telecommunications, utilities, 829.16; Van Diest Supply Company, supplies, 5,550.00; Venture Communications, utilities, 424.09; Verizon, telephone, 90.10; Voyager, gasoline/diesel, 2,297.93; Wegner Auto Co., vehicle maintenance, 3,283.24; Wellmark, health insurance/prof. services, 17,517.70; West River Telecommunications, telephone/prof. services/utilities, 7,952.81.

Salaries: Administration ó 9,655.21; City Administrator ó 2,446.68; Police ó 79,637.58; Fire Department ó 650.00; Street ó 14,070.48; Regulation & Inspection ó 655.88; Culture Recreation ó 142.50; Park ó 2,256.00; Library ó 6,100.41; Housing ó 6,417.70; Zoning ó 1,120.10; 24/7 ó 2,190.72; Water Department ó 27,976.42; Sewer Department ó 14,675.21 and Airport ó 813.75.

Reichert entered the meeting 6:36 PM.

Mayor Cox bid farewell and good luck to Mobridge Tribune reporter Claire Schoelerman.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:39 PM on a motion by Jensen, second by Carlson and carried.

Heather Beck, Finance Officer/City Administrator

Gene Cox, Mayor

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