

**MOBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
July 8, 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, July 8, 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 Carlson, second by Reichert, and carried.

MINUTES:

Moved by Reichert, second by Goetz, and carried, to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 10, 2026.

Moved by Cerney, second by Carlson, and carried, to approve the special meeting minutes from June 25, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council

ELECT OFFICERS ó Moved by Goetz, second by Kemnitz, and carried, to nominate Randy Carlson as Council President. Carlson abstained. Moved by Carlson, second by Reichert, and carried, to nominate Brent Kemnitz as Council Vice President. Kemnitz abstained.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS ó Moved by Carlson, second by Kemnitz and carried, to approve the following mayoral appointments for 2026: Mayor ó Police, Finance, Rail Authority, Weed and Housing; Reichert ó Police, Finance, Library and Water/Sewer; Jensen ó Auditorium, Parks, and Airport; Cerney ó Park, Auditorium, and Streets; Kemnitz ó Fire, Police and Water & Sewer; Carlson ó Airport, Zoning and Streets; Goetz ó Zoning, Fire, and Water & Sewer. Library Board: Amy Cerney, LeeAnn Mack, Danny Merkel, Katie Zerr, and Carli Goetz.

Zoning Board: Greg Mix, Liz Ford, Denise Centuro, Ken Rossow, Leah Schmidt, Jason Weisbeck and Lillian Wientjes. Housing Board: Chris Fried, Jody Madison, Misti Helm, Rylae Jensen and Amy Cerney.

Appointed Employees and Officers: City Administrator/Finance Officer ó Heather Beck; Chief of Police ó Shawn Madison; Fire Chief ó Colton Hunter; Asst. Fire Chief ó Ryan Ries; Fire Dept Secretary ó Justin Sadler; Zoning Officer ó Open; and Health Officer ó Dr. Robert Marciano.

Water/Sewer Department

WATERMAIN LOOP PROJECT ó Water Superintendent Schmaltz submitted a construction quote to loop 6th Ave E watermain. Moved by Kemnitz, second by Reichert and carried, to approve the construction quote from Crow River Construction in the amount of \$100,000 for the 6th Avenue East watermain loop.

Police Department

REPLACEMENT VEHICLES ó Moved by Reichert, second by Goetz, and carried, to approve the purchase of two used Dodge Chargers in the amount of \$45,170, plus geared for a total of approximately \$55,000. The vehicles are budgeted in 2026.

PART TIME DISPATCHER ó Moved by Carlson, second by Cerney, and carried, to approve hiring Donovan Knecht as part time fill in dispatcher at \$23.62 per hour.

LETTER OF COMPLIANCE ó Chief Madison presented a letter of compliance from the SD State 911 Coordination Board for the dispatch center.

Finance Department

NEW HIRE ó Moved by Cerney, second by Carlson, and carried, to approve hiring Kennedy Longbrake as City Clerk at \$20.00 per hour effective July 20, 2026.

STEP INCREASE ó Moved by Cerney, second by Kemnitz, and carried, to approve a step increase for Alicia Naasz increasing her hourly wage from \$24.26 to \$24.51 effective July 13, 2026.

CEMETERY DEEDS 6 Moved by Goetz, second by Carlson and carried, to approve the following cemetery deeds: City of Mobridge to Jess Kraft and Kristi Kraft transferring Graves 5 & 6, Lot 22 in Block Q of the Greenwood Cemetery 1st Addition; City of Mobridge to Jesse Foster and Denise Foster transferring Graves 1 & 2, Lot 22 in Block Q of the Greenwood Cemetery 1st Addition; and City of Mobridge to Cheryl Block transferring Graves 5 & 6, Lot 74 in Block P of the Greenwood Cemetery 1st Addition.

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 6 Beck will finish the financial statement and get it out within the next week.

BUILDING PERMITS 6 The following building permits were approved by the zoning officer for the month of June: Jeff Piatt, 1019 7th Ave W, install egress window in basement; Cassandra Gadouas, 1118 4th Ave W, replace fence on North side with 6' white vinyl and new 6' fence white vinyl across alley; Cassandra Gadouas, 1118 4th Ave W, 4 foot chain link fence to fence off front yard 68' 6" total ; Joshua Wolff, 813 8th Ave W, back yard fence, 4 foot chain link & 6 foot wood panel; Teri Wolff, 602 3rd Ave E, fence around backyard ; Prasek Trucking, 2 4th Ave E, concrete pat 12 x 110, underground sprinklers and install offices in existing shop building; Matthew Knecht, 902 3rd Ave W, Egress Window; Maurice Jenkins, 901 1st Ave E, Replacing fence that blew over; Cheyenne Ducheneaux, 317 2nd Ave W, 6 x 8 new deck; Don Blankartz, 1005 3rd Ave W, 16 x 16 Pergola.

HOUSING 6 Councilor Cerney gave an update on housing.

OPEN MEETING LAWS 6 Per SDCL 1-25-13, the Council reviewed the South Dakota Opening Meetings Law Brochure.

LIBRARY 6 The calendar and newsletter of library events was presented to the Council.

PUBLIC FORUM AND VISITORS: Greg Mix have an update to the Council on the Senior Citizen Center.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Moved by Cerney, second by Carlson, and carried, to approve the following bills for payment: ADB Safegate, repairs, 192.21 ; AT&T Mobility, telephone, 1,051.59 ; Auto Value, repairs, 31.99 ; Badger Meter, prof. services, 143.12 ; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer, attorney services, 1,991.00 ; Black Stone Publishing, books, 184.62 ; Breit & Boomsma, garnishment, 123.06 ; Bridge City Small Engine, yard work, 305.05 ; Buche Foods, supplies, 103.61 ; Butler Cat, supplies, 117.60 ; Cam Wal Electric, street lights, 593.16 ; Carlson Services, prof services, 3,337.50 ; Center Point Large Print, books, 51.54 ; Century Business Products, copier lease, 556.86 ; Cheyanne O'Cull, contract services, 175.00 ; Chris Lang, deposit refund for black top, 214.53 ; Coca Cola, concession stand, 3,003.00 ; Core & Main, repair & maintenance, 252.01 ; Credit Collections Bureau, garnishment, 260.02 ; Dacotah Paper, supplies, 280.02 ; Dady Drug, supplies, 38.69 ; Dakota Glass & Alignment, vehicle maintenance, 1,172.79 ; Dakota Pump & Control, repairs, 39,703.08 ; Deane Hunter, prof. services, 848.00 ; Diamond M Designs, uniforms, 525.00 ; Dooley's Petroleum, gasoline for resale, 7,765.34 ; Ethanol Products, chemicals, 1,569.50 ; Faehnrich Construction, prof services, 600.00 ; Fed Ex, prof services, 20.51 ; First Interstate Bank, HSA contributions, 4,668.90 ; First Interstate Bank, payroll tax, 41,851.53 ; Fleet Services, gasoline/vehicle maintenance, 3,770.79 ; G.F. Buche Foods, supplies, 34.18 ; Gas N Goodies, supplies, 6.29 ; GF Buche Foods, concession stand/supplies, 1,455.67 ; Grace Torvell, refund, 50.00 ; Graham Tire, tires, 2,013.84 ; Grand Central, vehicle maintenance, 355.00 ; Graymont, chemical, 7,150.52 ; Gregg's Drilling & Excavating, prof. services, 2,777.10 ; Hawkins, chemicals, 12,101.81 ; Heartland Waste, prof services, 24,815.40 ; High Point Network, computer software & hardware, 183.75 ; Homestead Building, supplies, 61.50 ; House of Glass, building, 5,476.00 ; Ingram Library Services, books, 207.12 ; InSight, insurance, 32.00 ; ISC Companies, repairs, 452.90 ; Jensen Rock & Sand, gravel & oil road, 4,336.63 ; KCL Group Benefits, health insurance, 447.03 ; Language Line Services, prof. services, 90.00 ; Lori Jacobs, supplies, 122.05 ; M&M Electric, repairs, 273.47 ; McLeod's Printing, supplies, 393.79 ; MDU, street lights/utilities, 24,677.45 ; Merkel's Foods, supplies, 106.51 ; Michael Todd, maintenance, 2,283.56 ; Midcontinent Communications, utilities, 210.65 ; Milbank Winwater, repairs & maintenance, 760.65 ; Minnesota Child Support Payment Center, garnishment, 555.97 ; Misti Henderson, supplies, 98.60 ; Mobridge Candy, concession stand, 5,270.57 ; Mobridge Chamber of Commerce, deposit refund, 750.00 ; Mobridge Chamber of Commerce, prof. services, 7,537.96 ; Mobridge Economic Development, other, 5,000.00 ; Mobridge Hardware, building maintenance/supplies/yard work, 1,857.83 ; Mobridge Hardware, supplies/repair & maintenance, 47.05 ; Mobridge Mobridge City Council 6 July 8, 2026

Regional Hospital, prof services, 84.00 ; Mobridge Rodeo, promotion, 10,000.00 ; Mobridge Tribune, publishing, 819.91 ; Moore Engineering, water project, 8,013.00 ; Moore Engineering, WWTP project, 6,000.00 ; MVTL, water samples, 166.25 ; NAPA of Mobridge, equipment maintenance, 651.29 ; Oahe Landscapes, sprinklers, 2,069.00 ; Oahe Vet, prof. services, 350.00 ; Office Depot, supplies, 476.09 ; Payment Service Network, credit card fees, 54.95 ; Plunketts, prof services, 74.68 ; Prairie Pioneer, other, 75.00 ; Premier Equipment, repairs/equipment, 2,441.75 ; Quenzer Electric, repairs, 53.50 ; Rebecca Robinson, refund, 32.38 ; Running Supply, supplies, 2,127.80 ; SD Child Support Payment Center, garnishment, 256.62 ; SD Dept of Health, water samples, 1,474.00 ; SD One Call, prof. services, 36.75 ; SD Retirement System, retirement, 29,587.28 ; SD State Treasure, taxes, 4,274.10 ; SD Surplus Property, vehicle replacement, 500.00 ; SDRS Supplement, retirement, 302.00 ; Slater Oil & Lp, diesel/gasoline, 7,344.21 ; Stephanie Powell, refund, 26.64 ; Sweeney Controls, prof services/repairs, 4,146.87 ; Tri State Water, supplies, 66.45 ; US Bank, loan payment, 43,224.48 ; US Post Office, postage, 1,309.67 ; USDA Rural Development, loan, 5,298.00 ; Valley Telecommunications, utilities, 795.16 ; Venture Communications, utilities, 424.09 ; Verizon, telephone, 90.22 ; Voyager, gasoline/diesel, 334.63 ; Walworth County Landfill, yard work, 33.28 ; Walworth County ROD, prof services, 30.00 ; Wellmark, health insurance/prof. services, 16,245.70 ; West River Telecommunications, telephone, 6,642.17 ; Wroper Kosel, deposit refund, 500.00.

Salaries: Administration ó 3976.66; City Administrator ó 2,446.68; Police ó 78615.49; Street ó 15,290.99; Regulation & Inspection ó 1585.13; Culture Recreation ó 336.79; Pool ó 26485.69; Park ó 9870.00; Library ó 5922.45; Housing ó 6417.70; Zoning ó 0.00; Water Department ó 27121.83; Sewer Department ó 11935.08; and Airport ó 813.75.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 PM on a motion by Reichert, second by Goetz and carried.

Heather Beck, Finance Officer/City Administrator

Gene Cox, Mayor

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