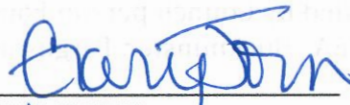
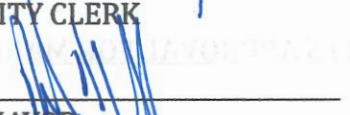


done by Council on March 16, 2026; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least three copies of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

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April 6, 2026

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Harkendorff called the meeting to order, and Clerk Jorn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. Absent: Ferguson, Leyden. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Harkendorff publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

#### STANDING REPORTS

Standing reports from the City Administrator and Chief of Police were presented. No formal action was required.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL FOR APRIL 6, 2026

A motion was made by Council person Kaster and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the agenda as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

#### MINUTES APPROVAL FOR MARCH 16, 2026

A motion was made by Council person Kaster and seconded by Council person Fouraker to approve the minutes as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

#### CLAIMS APPROVAL FOR APRIL 7, 2026

A motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the claims as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC HEARING- CONSIDER APPROVING CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 2203 CROOK STREET | LISA PATNODE

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:04 P.M. for the purpose of hearing public comment relating to the approval of a Chicken Permit Application for 2203 Crook Street. Mayor Harkendorff asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to comment. There was public comment. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:06 P.M.

#### CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION AT 2203 CROOK STREET | LISA PATNODE

A motion was made by Council person Kaster and seconded by Council person Ruiz to approve the application as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC HEARING- CONSIDER APPROVING CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 2201 HILAND AVENUE | HEATHER STANG

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:08 P.M. for the purpose of hearing public comment relating to the approval of a Chicken Permit Application for 2201 Hiland Avenue. Mayor Harkendorff asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to comment. There was no public comment. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:09 P.M.

#### CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 2201 HILAND AVENUE | HEATHER STANG

A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the application as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

#### APPLICATION FOR A CLASS I LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE MANE ATTRACTION SALON & SPA AT 1801 CHASE STREET | SALLY MERZ

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:09 P.M. for the purpose of hearing public comment relating to the approval of a Class I Liquor License for The Mane Attraction Salon & Spa at 1801 Chase Street. Mayor Harkendorff asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to comment. Sally Merz spoke on the matter. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:10 P.M.

#### CLASS I LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE MANE ATTRACTION SALON & SPA AT 1801 CHASE STREET | SALLY MERZ

Sally Merz gave favorable comment. A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the license as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE FOR APRIL 29, 2026 AT NEBRASKA BANK | SEAN FREDERICK**

A motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the SDL license as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**REQUEST TO ENFORCE ORDINANCES AT 711 E 17TH STREET | ROBERT CROFFORD**

Robert Crofford and Mark Glaska spoke on the matter. Clerk Jorn stated the City currently has a civil abatement order for this property and they gave the property owner until June 5 to have all debris removed. No action was taken.

**REQUEST TO CLOSE CHASE STREET FROM 20TH STREET TO 14TH STREET AND PROVIDE PATROL CARS FOR A PARADE ON JULY 4TH | AMBER HOLLE - FALLS CITY CHAMBER**

Amber Holle spoke on the matter. A motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person Kaster to approve request as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**REQUEST TO BLOCK OFF BUSINESS PARKWAY ROAD SOUTH OF HWY 159 FOR EXTRICATION TRAINING FROM 9AM-1PM ON JUNE 27, 2026 | MARCIA HARMON - FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SQUAD**

A motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Ruiz to approve the request as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**WAIVE AUDITORIUM FEES FOR FALLS CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT, FALLS CITY AMBULANCE, AND HUMANE SOCIETY**

Amber Holle spoke on the matter. A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to waive Auditorium fees for Falls City Fire Department, Falls City Ambulance, Richardson County Cancer Fund, and Humane Society. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion failed.

**REQUEST FROM FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO AMEND THEIR BY-LAWS AND ATTACH ARTICLES XVIII, XX, XXI | FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Jon McQueen spoke on the matter. A motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Kaster to approve the request as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**REQUEST THAT THE CITY REMOVE TWO BENCHES ON THE SIDEWALK ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE COURTHOUSE | RICHARDSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Following discussion, a motion was made by Council person Buckminster and seconded by Council person Kaster to remove the North bench off the sidewalk and place it on a concrete pad in the bump out area behind the existing bench at the City's expense while the South bench remains in the current location. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**ACCEPT BIDS FOR TREE MAINTENANCE AND APPROVE THE BID MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE CITY**

Briar Burr and Casey Martineau spoke on this topic. A motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Fouraker to award the bid for tree maintenance to Arbor Masters. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION APRIL 24, 2026**

A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**OLSSON PAID DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE RAW AND JACKET WATER SYSTEMS NOT TO EXCEED \$28,000.00**

A motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person Ruiz to approve the agreement as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CHANGING ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE**

Clerk Jorn presented to the Mayor and City Council members costs to change accounting software to Power Manager compared to the current costs for direction to move forward with changing to Power Manager. No motion was made.

**CLOSED SESSION - UPDATE NEBRASKA RURAL ENERGY PROJECT | LUCAS FROESCHL - EDGE DIRECTOR**

Lucas Froeschl spoke on this topic. A motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person F. Killingsworth to enter into closed session at 7:15 pm to update Mayor and City Council Members on the Nebraska Rural Energy project, and to include for the protection of public interest City Administrator Jorn, Chief of Police Baker, Attorney Mike Dunn, Lucas Froeschl, Bob Witt, Tom Witt, Tyler Witt, and Donovan Jones. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council person Kaster and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to end the closed session at 7:58 pm and resume the regular meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Ferguson, Leyden. Motion carried.

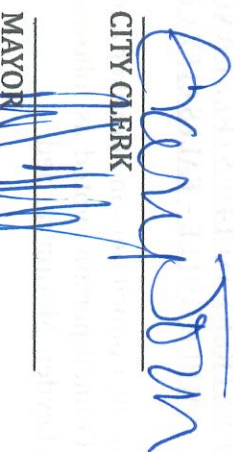
No motion was made.

*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:58 P.M.*

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by Council on April 6, 2026; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least three copies of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

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April 20, 2026

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Harkendorff called the meeting to order, and Clerk Jorrn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Fouraker, K. Killingsworth, Ferguson, Leyden, Ruiz. Absent: Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Harkendorff publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

**STANDING REPORTS**

Standing reports from the City Administrator was presented. No formal action was required.

**AGENDA APPROVAL FOR APRIL 20, 2026**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Buckminster to approve the agenda as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVAL FOR APRIL 6, 2026**

A motion was made by Council person Ruiz and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the minutes as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL FOR APRIL 21, 2026**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the claims as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVAL FOR MARCH 2026**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Fouraker to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**FALLS CITY EDGE QUARTERLY REPORT | FALLS CITY EDGE - LUCAS FROESCHL**

Lucas Froeschl presented the Falls City EDGE Quarterly Report for the first quarter of 2026. No motion was made.

**DUAL REPRESENTATION POWER PLANT STRUCTURE DISCOVERY CONTRACT | FALLS CITY EDGE - LUCAS FROESCHL**

Lucas Froeschl spoke on the matter. A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the contract as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**CONTROLLED BURN TRAINING AT 824 MCLEAN - FALLS CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Lucas Froeschl, Director of Falls City EDGE, and Fireman Jon McQueen spoke on the matter. A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the request with the requirement that the Land Bank procure liability insurance. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, Leyden, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, F. Killingsworth. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING- CONSIDER APPROVING A CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 1601 MCLEAN STREET | TAMMIE BECKNER**

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:30 P.M. for the purpose of hearing public comment relating to the approval of a Chicken Permit Application for 1601 McLean Street. Mayor Harkendorff asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to comment. There was no