

**CONSIDER REQUEST TO UTILIZE CITY STREETS FOR THE 2025 COBBLESTONE FUN RUN-WALK EVENT ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025**  
**| LINDA SANTO - COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER**

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

**REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSURE OF THE 1300 BLOCK OF STONE STREET FOR THE WATER WAR COBBLESTONE EVENT ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025 | AMBER HOLLE - FALLS CITY CHAMBER & MAIN STREET**

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

**CONSIDER AN INVESTMENT STRATEGY FOR UP TO \$20MM OF SPECIAL RESERVE FUNDS**

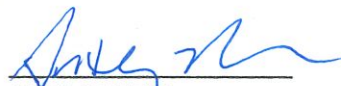
A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Fouraker to invest \$10MM of special reserve funds for a twelve (12) month term and \$10MM of special reserve funds for a twenty-four (24) month at Frontier Bank. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Abstain" Leyden. "Absent" Kaster, K. Killingsworth. Motion carried.


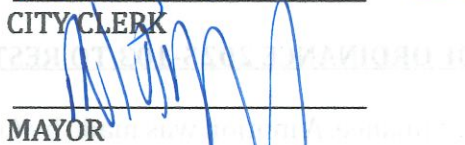
*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:00pm*

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 Mayor Harkendorff and Council on August 18, 2025; 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 one copy 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.

Following the meeting it came to the attention of the administration of the City that notice of the Board of Public Works meeting had not been properly posted. All actions taken by the Board will require ratification by the Board of Public Works at its next meeting.

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**September 3, 2025**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2025, at 6:00 o' clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Harkendorff called the meeting to order, and Clerk Nussbaum recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. Absent: Buckminster. 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 Mayor, City Administrator, Chief of Police, and the Southeast Nebraska Land Bank were presented. No formal action was required.

**AGENDA APPROVAL FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2025**

A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth 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" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVAL FOR AUGUST 18, 2025**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Ruiz to approve the minutes for August 18, 2025, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 2025**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the claims for August 5, 2025, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PERMIT APPLICATION PROCEDURES, INSPECTION PROTOCOL AND RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR THE KEEPING OF CHICKEN HENS PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 2025-106**

A Resolution Establishing Permit Application Procedures, Inspection Protocol, and Related Administrative Procedures for the Keeping of Chicken Hens pursuant to Ordinance No. 2025-106 was presented to the Mayor and City Council. The resolution establishes permit application requirements, inspection standards, and compliance procedures for residents keeping hens within the city limits. Following review, a motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this

motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**APPLICATION FOR A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE WOULD EYE SPORTS BAR AND GRILL AT 1821 STONE STREET**

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:13 P.M. Mayor Harkendorff then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor or opposition. There was no public comment. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:14 P.M. Clerk Nussbaum presented the application information. A motion was made by Council member Leyden and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the application for the Class 1 Liquor License as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF QUENTIN COATNEY AND KATIE DRELICHARZ TO THE HOUSING BOARD**

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

**RESOLUTION SETTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 FINAL ALLOCATION OF LEVY AUTHORITY FOR THE FALLS CITY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

A resolution setting the final allocation of levy authority for the Falls City Airport Authority was presented. Following review, a motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH EVERGY KANSAS CENTRAL, INC FOR THE ENERGY FORWARD TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was presented for review. Upon review, a motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Kaster to authorize execution of the agreement. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE COMMUNICATIONS LEASE AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON WIRELESS FOR CELL TOWER 419465V AT 1820 TOWLE STREET**

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

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ALIVER FOUNDATION FOR THE DONATION AND INSTALLATION OF AN AED AT GRANDVIEW PARK**

A resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was presented. Upon review, a motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RURAL WORKFORCE HOUSING PROJECT AT 606 MOREHEAD COURT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSING BOARD**

A Rural Workforce Housing Funds (RWHF) Developer Loan Application was submitted for review as recommended by the Housing Board. Upon review, a motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Fouraker to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING WAIVER/FINE SCHEDULE FOR VIOLATIONS OF FALLS CITY MUNICIPAL CODE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY**

A resolution presenting a revised waiver/fee schedule was presented. Upon review, a motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Kaster to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE & STAFFING STRATEGY**

City Administrator Nussbaum presented a report regarding management structure and staffing strategy. He discussed recent Board of Public Works actions, upcoming staff attrition, and the opportunity to realign City Hall administrative roles. Recommendations included creating Deputy City Clerk/Human Resources and Deputy Treasurer/Utility Billing Manager positions, with the possibility of unmerging the Clerk and Treasurer offices from the City Administrator. Draft job descriptions for the City Administrator, Deputy City Clerk/Human Resources and Deputy Treasurer/Utility Billing Manager positions was offered for review. Deputy City Administrator Ferris provided input during the discussion. Public Works Director Campbell also provided input. Following discussion, a motion was made by Council person Fouraker and seconded by Council person Kaster to enter into closed session regarding personnel matters. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried. The closed session began at 6:53 P.M. A motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Ferguson to end the closed session and resume the regular meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

The closed session ended, and the regular meeting resumed at 8:04 P.M. Upon resuming the regular meeting, a motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person F. Killingsworth to adopt the Deputy City Clerk/Human Resources, Deputy Treasurer/Utility Billing Manager and City Administrator job descriptions but maintain the current merged offices as written by city ordinance for the City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Buckminster. Motion carried.

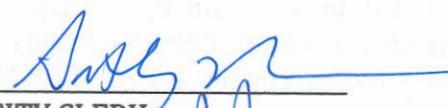
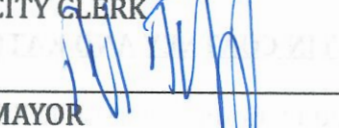
*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:06 P.M.*

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 Mayor Harkendorff and Council on September 3, 2025; 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 one copy 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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**September 15, 2025**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, at 6:00 o' clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Harkendorff called the meeting to order, and Clerk Nussbaum recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. Absent: Kaster, 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 Mayor, City Administrator, Chief of Police, and the Southeast Nebraska Land Bank were presented. No formal action was required.

**AGENDA APPROVAL FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**

A motion was made by Council Member Ferguson and seconded by Council Member F. Killingsworth to approve the agenda as amended, moving Regular Business Item 5 to Item 1 and Regular Business Item 7 to Item 2, in order to accommodate the citizens who requested these items so they could be addressed earlier in the meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVAL FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2025**

A motion was made by Council person K. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the minutes for September 3, 2025, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2025**

A motion was made by Council person Buckminster and seconded by Council person Ruiz to approve the claims for September 16, 2025, as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT FOR AUGUST 2025**

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

**REQUEST TO USE CITY STREETS FOR THE FALLS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2025 HOMECOMING PARADE**

Ashleigh Eickhoff presented a request to the City Council on behalf of Falls City Public Schools for permission to use city streets for the 2025 Homecoming Parade. A motion was made by Council person Buckminster and seconded by Council person F. Killingsworth to approve the request as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR RESTRICTED PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE 900 BLOCK OF MORTON STREET**

Bing Bindrum presented a request to the City Council to restrict parking on the east side of the 900 block of Morton Street. Following discussion, no formal action was taken. Chief Baker will aid in efforts to alleviate parking concerns on the east side of the 900 block of Morton Street.

**CONSIDER A SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATION TO THE OVERALL NORTH COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR REDEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND PLANNING COMMISSION**

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:22 P.M. City Administrator Nussbaum, serving in his capacity as Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Director, presented the proposed Redevelopment Plan to the City Council during the public hearing. Mayor Harkendorff then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor or opposition. There was no public comment. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:25 P.M. A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Buckminster to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER APPLICATION TO USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,808.11 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FULLY EQUIPPED 2026 DODGE DURANGO PURSUIT AWD POLICE CRUISER**

Mayor Harkendorff declared a public hearing open at 6:26 P.M. Chief Baker presented the proposed grant application. Mayor Harkendorff then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor or opposition. There was no public comment. Mayor Harkendorff then declared the public hearing closed at 6:29 P.M. A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to adopt the resolution as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" Kaster, Leyden. Motion carried.