

JULY 6, 2026

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 6th day of July 2026, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Council met in Regular Session. Council President Leyden called the meeting to order, Clerk Jorn recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Fouraker, Ferguson, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. Absent: None. 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. Council President Leyden 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

Reports were given by Council President Leyden, City Administrator, and Chief Baker.

APPROVAL CONSENT RESOLUTION FOR JULY 6, 2026

WHEREAS, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and *WHEREAS*, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. *NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED* BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the agenda for July 6, 2026 meeting is hereby approved. 2. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the minutes from the June 15, 2026 meeting is hereby approved. 3. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the claims for July 6, 2026 meeting is hereby approved. 4. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Treasurer Report for June 2026 is hereby approved. 5. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for July 6, 2026 is hereby approved.

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

PUBLIC HEARING ANIMAL PERMIT AT 1215 E 17TH, EAST 17TH, AND 1207 E 17TH STREET TO ADD 2 EQUINE AND 2 FEMALE GOATS

Acting President Leyden opened the public hearing at 6:03 pm. Chuck Digiacoimo and Levi Jones spoke. Acting President Leyden asked if anyone else wanted to speak on this matter, since no one did he closed the hearing at 6:09pm.

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Leyden to approve the animal permit to allow 2 additional equine and 2 goats at 1215 E 17th and 1207 E 17th Street. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" Buckminster, F. Killingsworth. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATION FOR \$22,250 – MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS, INC.

A motion was made by Council person Kaster and seconded by Council person F. Killingsworth to approve the comprehensive plan, zoning and subdivision regulation update by Marvin Planning consultants, Inc. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR 2026-2027 – BENEFIT MANAGEMENT DAN DUREN

A motion was made by Council person Buckminster and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the Health Insurance Renewal with Medica with a 10% increase in premium. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried. Dan Duren spoke.

WONDER POLE HEIGHT STICKS

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2026-100 TO PROVIDE THE ROUNDING UP AND DOWN TO THE NEAREST NICKEL

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Fouraker to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2026-100. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2026-R113 TO ABATE THE NUSIANCE AT 1809 CHASE STREET

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Leyden to approve resolution 2026-R113. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALK FOR AMPHITHEATER AT 15TH AND STONE STREET

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person Fouraker to approve the use of CCCFF grant funds for the removal and replacement of sidewalk at 15th and Stone Street. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried. Christina Wertenberger and Chamber Director Amber Holle spoke.

RESOLUTION 2026-R112 TO REQUEST PLACING ON THE BALLOT TO ALLOW KENO AS A LOTTERY – WOULD EYE BAR

A motion was made by Council person F. Killingsworth and seconded by Council person Buckminster to approve resolution 2026-R112. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried. Brandon Brown spoke.

REQUEST TO BLOCK OFF STONE STREET ON AUGUST 1, 2026 FOR A CUSTOMER APPRECIATION STREET DANCE FROM 9AM TO MIDNIGHT

A motion was made by Council person Ferguson and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve the blocking off stone street on August 1, 2026 for a customer appreciation street dance. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

**SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CUSTOMER APPRECIATION STREET DANCE ON
AUGUST 1, 2026**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person F. Killingsworth to give favorable comment on SDL for customer appreciation street dance. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried. Brandon Brown spoke.

**REQUEST TO CHANGE CITY CODE TO ALLOW ALCOHOL SALES TO 2 AM TO FOLLOW THE STATE
REGULATIONS**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person K. Killingsworth to approve city attorney to draft an ordinance to allow alcohol sales to 2 am. "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Kaster, F. Killingsworth, K. Killingsworth, Leyden, Ruiz. "NAY" None. "Absent" None. Motion carried.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:50 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 July 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 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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