

PUBLIC NOTICES

CITY OF BEULAH MAY REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY OF BEULAH
MAY 5, 2025, 6:30 PM
BEULAH CITY HALL COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

Mayor Sean Cheatley and Council Members Auston Biles, Tim Aichele, Bill Keller, Gary Miller, Jason Isaak, Adam Baker and Kameron Plienis present. Cameron Brown absent.

Also Present: City Attorney Scott Solem, Economic Dev. Dir. Beaver Brinkman, Police Chief Frank Senn, Operation Dir. Assist. Jennifer Wolf, Roger Gazur, Dale Schwalbe, Jerod Klaubunde.

HEARING

The Hearing on the Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance was called to order at 6:30 pm. Solem stated there were two meetings with the P&Z Board to discuss the language of the text amendment. The draft presented is recommended and represented in the first reading of Ordinance 460. Aichele moved to approve the text amendment application with proposed changes to the zoning ordinance. Miller seconded. Solem stated there is a business waiting for a bakery to be added as a permitted use in C2. Roll call vote found Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Baker, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor.

The hearing was closed.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Beulah City Council was called to order at 6:44 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Keller moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting on April 21 and approve as provided to the Council by email. Biles seconded. Roll call vote found Keller, Biles, Aichele, Isaak, Baker and Plienis in favor. Miller abstained. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Plienis moved to approve the bills as presented and reviewed. Biles seconded. Roll call vote found Plienis, Biles, Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Baker and Keller in favor.

COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Mayor Cheatley

Designation of the city's official newspaper is required by NDCC 40-01-09. Baker moved to designate the Beulah Beacon as the official newspaper for Beulah. Aichele seconded. Isaak questioned if the Beacon could find a local editor as information is skewed and not accurate. This is because the editor is located far away from town and doesn't know anyone. There have been amounts wrong and people's titles wrong. The Hazen Star is run by the same company and has an editor in Hazen. Biles stated he agrees with Isaak. Roll call vote found Baker, Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor.

Isaak moved to approve the Site Authorization for Beulah CVB to provide gaming at Fanatics Sports Bar & Grill from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Isaak, Miller, Biles and Keller in favor. Plienis, Baker and Aichele opposed. Motion passed.

Miller moved to approve the Site Authorization for Beulah CVB to provide gaming at Molco Lanes/Dewey's Lounge from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Keller, Isaak and Biles in favor. Plienis, Baker and Aichele opposed. Motion passed.

Isaak moved to approve the Site Authorization for American Foundation for Wildlife to provide gaming at Alibis from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 contingent on the proper application. Baker seconded. Miller

questioned how much of the revenue from American Foundation for Wildlife comes back to Beulah. CVB provides revenue to Beulah. Roll call vote found Isaak, Baker, Miller, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor. Aichele opposed. Motion passed.

Council Member Aichele

A quote was received from Antelope Creek Trucking for the roads of Country Club Estates. No. 5 gravel would be \$10,000 per square mile with removal of pea rock. It would be less per quarter mile if more is done. The quote is not for the city, it was passed on to the association president Brian Streifel.

The city needs to chip and seal streets to lengthen their life, including the new Main Street blocks. The budget does not include it this year, but it needs to be a priority for next year. There are storm drains on Central Ave, north of 7th Street, that need to be repaired before a chip and seal can happen there. Discussion followed on street repairs needed. There is an area on 12th Street that is heaving and will need to be repaired. It was stated that concrete should be used for the repair. Aichele moved to authorize obtaining quotes for the cost of the repair on 12th Street. Isaak seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Isaak, Miller, Baker, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor.

Council Member Biles

Employee Relations met on April 21. It is recommended that P&Z be responsible for their own meeting minutes instead of using city staff. It was stated that other boards of the city are appointed by the city, but they do their own meeting agendas and minutes. Gazur stated there is nothing that compels P&Z members to set agendas, take minutes or publish minutes. It would be voluntary. Biles stated he attended three P&Z meetings recently that were long and did not warrant city staff the time to listen to. Gazur stated someone on city staff should listen to the recordings of the meetings. Gazur stated that he puts effort into P&Z and is paid \$50 per meeting attended, and if it comes down to this he will not do it. Biles stated that Employee Relations recommended P&Z do their own agendas and minutes. There was discussion on what the duties are of P&Z. Brinkman stated recording motions and who is in attendance has not been satisfactory to P&Z. P&Z wants details in their meeting minutes and that is a lot for city staff. The job description for P&Z is in the ordinance. P&Z is responsible for providing recommendations on some items. The Attorney is to write the ordinance, not P&Z. Responsibilities should be redefined for P&Z. Isaak moved to require P&Z complete their own meeting agendas and minutes. Keller seconded. Roll call vote found Isaak, Keller, Aichele, Biles and Plienis in favor. Miller and Baker opposed. Motion passed.

Plienis moved to approve advertising for a Part-time Transfer Station Attendant position. Isaak seconded. Roll call vote found Plienis, Isaak, Aichele, Miller, Baker, Biles and Keller in favor. Keller moved to approve advertising for two Public Works Summer Help employees at \$18 per hour. Baker seconded. Roll call vote found Keller, Baker, Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Biles and Plienis in favor.

Cheatley appointed Travis Frey to the JDA Board. Miller moved to approve the appointment. Biles seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor. Baker opposed. Motion passed.

CITY PERSONNEL
Economic Development

Purchase offer for Lots 5 & 6, Blk 6, Prairie Hills 2nd Addition by Slade and Kayla Ternes for a total of \$5,623.40 for both lots. Baker moved to approve the lot purchase as presented. Plienis seconded. Roll call vote found Baker, Plienis, Aichele, Miller, Isaak, Biles and Keller in favor.

Purchase offer for Lot 7, Blk 6, Prairie Hills 2nd Addition by Steven & Krystal Finsaas for a total of \$2,811.57. Plienis moved to approve the lot sale as presented. Miller seconded. Roll call vote found Plienis, Miller, Aichele, Isaak, Baker, Biles and Keller in favor.

The estimate for water line work at Stephanie Bauer's property from Sletten Excavation is \$5,240. This is to bore a new line from an existing curb stop to the south of the property. It was stated it would be at the owner's expense. The line was frozen, but the location and curb stop have not been found. Discussion followed on the cost being split between the city and the property owner. The estimate was delivered to the property owner.

An estimate for repairs to the storm water line at the Civic Center was provided by Sletten Excavation for \$6,347.89. It appears that when fiber optics were bored, they bored through the culvert. There are funds in the budget to pay for the repair. Miller moved to approve the repair to the storm water line by the Civic Center as presented. Baker seconded. Roll call vote found Miller, Baker, Aichele, Isaak, Biles, Keller and Plienis in favor.

Brinkman recommended a program called My Town, which focuses on the values of living in small towns.

Police Chief

Senn had a concealed weapons class which fifteen people attended. The revenue was deposited into the Specialty Equipment fund.

City Attorney

Aichele moved to have the first reading of the text amendment for the Zoning Ordinance No. 460. Plienis seconded. Roll call vote found Aichele, Plienis, Miller, Isaak, Baker, Biles and Keller in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

The following bills were approved and paid in April:

Check Range: 47409 to 47495, -99623 to -99619
 Payroll Check Range: -71774 to -71702, 47408, 47494

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| Employees | 93715.68 |
| FIT | 14292.18 |
| SIT | 2394.11 |
| Unemployment | 305.73 |
| NDPERS 457 | 1207.00 |
| HEALTH INS | 40283.93 |
| METLIFE | 1664.33 |
| FIT | 14348.82 |
| NDPERS 457 | 1207.00 |
| NDPERS Main | 6293.26 |
| NDPERS Main 2020 | 4305.38 |
| NDPERS PD | 4551.66 |
| NY Life 457 | 3711.96 |
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| North Dakota Tax Comm | 53.68 |
| Monex Group | 55.28 |
| City of Beulah | 53.69 |
| Principal Life Insurance Co | 354.90 |
| US Bank | 23375.31 |
| North Dakota One Call Inc | 7.50 |
| MDU | 13215.74 |
| Beulah Beacon | 915.42 |
| US Bank | 10321.97 |
| Information Technology Dept | 458.05 |
| Vestis | 585.26 |
| Heidi Hamelton | 1750.00 |
| AE2S, LLC | 259.00 |
| Downtown Gas & Auto | 3701.89 |
| Powerplan | 3119.37 |
| Andrew Morgenstern | 162.00 |
| Marlin Block | 50.00 |

J & R Vacuum & Sewing 53.98
 Mercer County Sheriff's Dept 105.00
 Solem Law Office 6915.42
 Advanced Business Methods 3327.36
 Mercer County Treasurer

11753.55
 NAPA Auto Parts 698.20
 NDDEQ 20.39
 Waste Management 1139.96
 Bank of North Dakota

51193.12
 Beulah JDA 10682.67
 Beulah Airport Authority

10682.67
 Bank of North Dakota 6823.61
 Quadient Leasing USA Inc 218.07
 Ecolab Pest Elim Div 179.90
 Solem Law Office 4532.10
 ND Dept of Health 81.00
 Roughrider Electric Coop 3545.60
 West River Telephone 1626.19
 Farmers Union Oil Company 4919.84
 Bison Valley Consulting LLC 2720.76
 Radisson Hotel Bismarck 102.50
 H.A. Thompson & Sons

20000.00
 Gary Bovkoon 162.00
 Steven Kuntz 162.00
 Mandate Automotive 4749.19
 Mark A Keller 65.00
 Neuberger Oil Co. 1880.00
 Coyote Creek Fencing

22345.15
 White Cap, L.P. 1750.00
 Ohnstad Twichell, PC 737.50
 High Plains Concepts 350.00
 Everspring Inn 198.00
 Core & Main LP 1091.00
 Linde Gas & Equipment Inc 398.20
 Stein's Inc 456.23
 Lignite Tire 105.00

Jason Isaak 135.00
 Interstate Engineering, Inc 6095.00
 West River Telephone 63.80
 Interstate Engineering, Inc 6787.50
 AT&T Mobility 43.23
 Mark A. Kaffar 900.00
 AT&T Mobility 687.00
 Sanitation Products 3746.18
 Granville Brinkman 112.00
 The Hub Convenience St 879.21
 Scott Solem 31.94
 Beulah Beacon 232.50
 Baker & Taylor 368.75
 MicroMarketing LLC 21.24
 ND State Historical Society 200.00
 Bronson's Marketplace 38.91
 Pro Forms 138.12
 MidStates Wireless 1321.95
 American Express 733.84
 Hawkins Inc. 40.00
 City of Beulah 61.41
 Everspring Inn 99.00
 Beulah Park District 27474.74
 Beulah Park District 5314.45
 Beulah Senior Center 1022.01
 J & M Hardware Inc 737.37
 Marco Technologies LLC 178.38
 Beulah Airport Authority 1430.81
 Playaway Products LLC 24.99
 Jessie Mann 143.98
 Beulah Airport Authority 860.19
 Beulah JDA 860.19
 Vestis 72.94
 Millennium Express 12.00
 Lucky's Towing & Repair 300.00
 Frank Senn 481.40
 WARC 3437.32
 Postmaster 393.60
 (05-22-2025)

CITY OF DODGE ADOPTS ORDINANCES

The City of Dodge has adopted the following ordinances after a first and second reading:

Chapter 6 Health Code
 Section 6.0307 adopts a penalty of \$500 for any individual that fails to comply with an order to repair, vacate, or demolish a "dangerous building" as defined in the Code.

Chapter 9 Public Nuisances
 Section 9.0601 adopts a penalty of \$150 for any individual deemed to have violated Chapter 9

Chapter 13 Building Code
 Section 13.0105 adopts the following fee schedule for all building permits issued by the City:

a. For projects wherein labor and materials totals less than one thousand (\$1,000.00) the cost of the permit is ten dollars (\$10.00)

b. For any project wherein labor and materials total one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or more, the cost of the permit is twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) plus two dollars (\$2.00) for every additional one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). However, no more than two thousand twenty-three dollars

((\$2023.00) shall be charged for a permit under this section.

Section 13.0108 adopts a penalty of \$150 for any individual deemed to have violated Chapter 13

Chapter 15 Zoning-Land Development Code (no fines updated)
 Chapter 3 Public Places and Property.

Section 23.72.030 adopts a penalty of \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for each offense thereafter for any individual deemed to have violated Sections 23.72.010 Weight and Load Restriction and 23.72.020 Commercial Vehicles Prohibited on Certain Streets.
 Section 23.72.040 Adopts a penalty of \$15 for vehicles parked for forty-eight hours consecutive hours or more.

Section 23.72.050 Adopts a penalty of \$150 for parking any boat, snowmobile, bumper pull travel trailer, fifth wheel trailer, pull type camper, pickup camper, motor home, house car, bus, mini motor home, or trailer for a period longer than forty-eight hours consecutively.

(05-22-2025)

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Annual election of the Beulah Public School District #27, County of Mercer, State of North Dakota will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 with polling locations open at the Beulah High School and Golden Valley Community Center from 11:00 am-7:00 p.m. CDT. To request an absentee ballot application, contact the Beulah School at 701-

873-5956.

Two board members will be elected to serve three-year terms.

Dated at Beulah, North Dakota this 20th day of May, 2025 By order of the Beulah School Board

Signed: Krista Richau, Business Manager

(05-22-2025)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Mercer County is looking to fill a Library Board seat for term that will be expiring at the end of June (*July). If you are interested in being appointed to this board, please contact the Mercer County Auditor's Office, at (701) 745-3292 or careed@nd.gov for an Application of Interest or find the application at www.mercercountynd.com. Appointments will be made at

the June 18th commission meeting. Deadline for the application is June 13, 2025.

The following are the boards that have seats expiring:

Library Board—3-year term—1 position (2-term limit)
 Carmen Reed, Auditor

(05-15-2025)(05-29-2025)

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