### **ND Medical Professionals Speak Out About CDC Changes**

As doctors and nurses in North Dakota we have grave concerns about the unprecedented chaos and collapse of critical programs at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the nation's premier public health agency. For over 75 years CDC has protected generations of Americans. Now, however, CDC's capacity has been degraded through actions taken by Health and Human Services Secretary Kennedy. We urge the state's congressional delegation to act immediately to prevent further destruction of the nation's public health system that is critical to protecting the health and security of North Dakotans and all Americans.

Efforts to improve the effectiveness of federal agencies are important. However, recent unprecedented actions by the current administration are laying waste to the programs and expertise our state relies on for help. Over a billion dollars has been cut from CDC with more cuts proposed. These funds support prevention of acute and chronic diseases like cancer and heart disease that kill rural Americans at significantly higher rates. Secretary Kennedy is even limiting the availability of life-

Thousands of CDC staff have been fired, including physicians and other public health experts with deep expertise. These individuals were prohibited from doing their jobs for months while receiving salaries paid for by taxpayer dollars. Just as U.S. military personnel defend the country against threats, so too CDC personnel protect the nation's health. Both defense and disease surveillance and intervention sharing a common goal, to keep the American public safe. In fact, hundreds of CDC staff took their jobs knowing they can be called away at a moment's notice. For example, in the past, when Grand Forks experienced a tuberculosis outbreak, CDC personnel traveled to the city at least five times. Some stayed for extended periods to help prevent further spread of this dangerous disease. Like the US military, CDC personnel have always gone where the country needs them.

Now however, mass firings include even the CDC director who was recently confirmed by the US Senate and supported by North Dakota's senators. Firing her triggered the resignations of some of the nation's senior experts in public health.

These personnel, program and funding actions will make it harder for health providers to do their jobs and families to stay healthy. For example, until now, CDC has actively tracked eight different bacteria that, in the food supply, can severely sicken people and are sometimes life-threatening, particularly in infants. Quietly and without public engagement, the tracking system no longer tracks six of these foodborne bacteria. When cases arise, the system alerting public health across the nation will not be activated in the Mary Wakefield, RN, Grand Forks; same way. The erosion of national and Theresa Will, RN, Valley City.

level public health expertise and support can result in sick children and workers, hospitalizations and even deaths. It is as if the federal government is saying to health care providers and American families, you are on your own.

This seismic shift in America's capacity to protect the nation's health is unprecedented and made far worse by HHS political leadership pushing politically driven decisions and inaccurate information. The nation's collective medical knowledge and gold standard evidence built across decades is being ignored. Downgrading public health capacity has no place in a country with premiere public health medical knowledge that, until now, has been the envy of the world. Former CDC directors, appointed by Republican and Democrat Presidents, have expressed grave concerns about the impact of these actions.

Members of Congress cannot sit by and watch this public health threat continue to worsen. We call on our elected federal officials to rapidly engage with the Administration to stop the devastating erosion of our government's ability to support the nation's health. Our Congressional delegation is well positioned to ensure that the health protections our parents had in the past are there for our children in the future. Senator Hoeven, as a member of the funding committee, should rapidly work to ensure CDC has adequate funding and personnel. Representative Fedorchak, on a committee with oversight responsibility, should immediately call for public hearings on the massive changes that have degraded CDC's capacity. She should request that the fired CDC director testify, along with leading experts who resigned because of the politicization of CDC. We are past time for Congress to exercise their funding and oversight responsibilities in protecting the public's health, safety and security.

The health of our state's families and communities is too precious to risk. We share the deep concern our nation's leaders in nursing and medicine are expressing about our degraded ability to respond to public health crises. We ask our elected

Submitted by Mary Wakefield Grand Forks, and also on behalf of the following individuals:

Barbara Andrist, MPH, Bismarck; Jean Bokinskie, RN, Fargo; Paul Carson, MD, Fargo; Charles Christianson, MD, Grand Forks; Julie Ferry, RN, Lakota; Theresa Knox, RN, Grand Forks; Mary Kay Hermann, RN, Fargo; Eric Johnson, MD, Grand Forks; Rolf Paulson, MD, Grand Forks; Arlette Preston, RN, Fargo, Evelyn Quigley, RN, Fargo; Karen Robinson, RN, Fargo; Larry Shireley, MPH, Bismarck; Brenda Stallman, RN, Hillsboro; Debbie Swanson, RN, Grand Forks;

other shrubs. There are no signifi-

cant pest problems for this shrub,

but know it will not do well in clay

Tiger Eyes® give us a spectacular

display of colors. Soon its leaves

will shift from the bright yellow to

orange to a fiery red. As you see the

Fall is the time of year when

## Dakota Gardener: Tiger Eyes®, **A Fall Showstopper**

By Kelsey Deckert, Horticulturist, NDSU Extension

When I was in high school, I used to work at a greenhouse and nursery. During my time there, I was introduced to so many different plants, but one plant that always stuck out to me was the Tiger Eyes® sumac, or referred to by its common name, the cutleaf staghorn sumac. It is one of my favorite landscape shrubs.

The Tiger Eyes® sumac is unique as it has many striking characteristics. It is a staghorn sumac, which is native throughout the U.S. and is commonly found alongside ditches, woodland edges and in shelterbelts. Staghorn sumacs aren't ideal as an ornamental, as they can grow up to 30 feet tall and will sucker rampantly.

Tiger Eyes® was released in 2004 by Bailey Nursery and became the perfect ornamental sumac. A nursery employee discovered a mutation of Laciniata sumac, which was a more compact size and a slow spreading selection.

Tiger Eyes® offers interest throughout the whole growing season. It has deeply cut leaves starting out in a greenish-yellow color that shifts to a bright yellow. One of my favorite aspects of the shrub is the fuzzy, velvety pinkish stems. Its fruit is a red fuzzy drupe, drawing appeal to it.

Tiger Eyes® mature at six to 8 feet in height and can be used in many ways in the landscape. It can be a focal point or integrated with

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color transition, you will understand how it is a top showstopper for fall! For more information about Tiger Eyes® sumac, contact your local NDSU Extension agent. Find the Extension office for your county at

ndsu.ag/countyoffice. Minutes Of

# the Palermo City Council

#### CITY OF PALERMO MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

Those present were: Walter Dunham, Wayne Enger, Raquel Ragan and Kenny Meckle.

Mayor called the meeting to order. Minutes from the last meeting were read. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Kenny Meckle, seconded by Wayne Enger. Motion carried.

Old Business: There was none.

Motion to finalize the budget for 2026 was made by Wayne Enger, seconded by Raquel Ragan. Motion carried.

Motion to pay the monthly bills was made by Kenny Meckle, seconded by Wayne Enger. Motion carried. We still had some gaming money to

distribute. Motion to pay as follows was made by Kenny Meckle, seconded by Wayne Enger. Motion carried. Stanley FFA: \$2000; Stanley Volley-

Talked about getting a dumpster this fall. Motion to get a dumpster was made by Raquel Ragan, seconded by Wayne Enger. Motion carried. The dumpster will

be here September 30th. It's that time of year to get the ditches and lagoon mowed. Motion to call Ostdahl Fencing to do this again was made by

Wayne Enger, seconded by Raquel Ragan. Motion carried. Motion to adjourn was made by Kenny Meckle, seconded by Wayne Enger. Mo-

The next meeting will held on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Kathryne Meckle City Auditor

## **Proceedings Of The Stanley City Council**

MINUTES OF THE STANLEY CITY COUNCIL **AUGUST 12, 2025** 

Mayor Marlin Ranum called the August 12, 2025 regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The following Council Members were present: Kirk Johnson, Jesse Weyrauch, Ty Taylor, Randy Jarmin, George Littlecreek and Chad Hysjulien. Others in attendance were City Auditor, Ada Arneson; Planning and Zoning Administrator, Amanda Dennis (via Teams); Chief of Police, Kevin Litten; Public Works Director, David Brown, City Attorney, Ryan Sandberg from Pringle & Herigstad Law Firm, Stanley City Administrative Assistant, Joan Hollekim; and City Engineer, Patrick Carabello with Brosz En-

MINUTES

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2025 regular meeting and the July 21 and 31, 2025 special meetings. All

present voted yes. Motion carried.

PLANNING AND ZONING RECOMMENDATIONS

Todd Heidbreder, Chairman of the

Planning & Zoning Commission, presented the P&Z Commission report to the City

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
Select Water (David Enander)
Chairman Heidbreder informed the Council the P&Z Commission approved e request of Select Water for a Conditional Use Permit to place a pump on property owned by David Enander. Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve a Conditional Use Permit to Select Water to place a pump on property owned by David Enander located in the SW1/4 of Section 32, Township 156, Range 91 for the purpose of pumping water from the Knife River Reservoir for industrial use. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

<u>REZONE APPLICATION</u>

Jerald & Dorothy Enander Chairman Heidbreder informed the Council the P&Z Commission approved the request of Jerald and Dorothy Enander to rezone property from Commercial to Agricultural. Enanders' had zoned the property commercial with the intent of deeloping an RV Park but plans did not work out as originally intended. Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Taylor, to approve the request of Jerald and Dorothy Enander to rezone their property described as Outlot 1 of ESE of Section 32, Township 156, Range 91 from Commercial to Agricultural. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

\*\*REPLAT APPLICATION\*\*

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<u>City of Stanley</u> Chairman Heidbreder informed the Council the P&Z Commissioner acted on the request from the City of Stanley and approved the Re-plat of Lot 28 and Lot 29 of the Re-plat of John Rian Addition Phase 1 located in the SW1/4 of Section 16, Township 156 North, Range 91 West, City in the City contingent upon County review and approval. Council Member Hysjulien recommended the re-plat be reviewed by the City Council before taking action. The replat would be brought back to the Council their next meeting.

Brief discussion was held on revisions to the Planning & Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Heidbreder indicated the P&Z Commission is working on additions and corrections and will be submitting them for consideration once they are complet

PLANNING & ZÓNING ADMINIS-TRATIVE REPORT

Amanda Dennis, P&Z Administrator, presented the following permits for the ouncil's approval:

Building Permits

Permit #, Address, Name, Improve-

ment 27-25, 616 8th Avenue SE, Ron Hamers,

28-25, 516 6th Street SE, Wayne Nelson, New Deck with Roof 29-25, 825 2nd Street SE, Tracey Jar-

min, New Egress Window 30-25, 206 1st Avenue SE, Josh Nichols,

New Driveway Approach 31-25, 611 9th Avenue SE, Dittbrenner

Woodworking LLC (Lori Johnson), New

32-25, 122 7th Avenue SE, Randy Jar-

min, New Detached Garage 33-25, 812 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE, Dittbrenner

Woodworking LLC (Damon Williams), New Egress Window

34-25, 8088 Country Estates Road,

Marlin Ranum, New Deck **Demolition Permits** 

Permit #, Address, Name, Improve-

ment
D4-25, 122 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Chad Hysjulien (Randy Jarmin), Demolition of De-

Sign Permits Permit #, Address, Name, Type of

Sign S7-25, 8131 Highway 2, Kevin Schneider/Steel Reef (Gjellstad LLC), New Sign

**Special Event Mobile Food Permits** Permit #, Address, Name, Dates SE3-25, 615 6th Street SE, Mountrail County Medical Center, August 1, 2025

SE4-25, Main Street, Misfit Minis, Au-SE5-25, Main Street, Say Cheese, Au-

gust 7, 2025 Motion made by Johnson, seconded by Hysjulien, to approve the P&Z Administrators Report. All present voted yes. Motion

COMSTOCK CONSTRUCTION -STANLEY SCHOOL ADDITION

Council Member Hysjulien informed the Council he met with two representatives of Comstock Construction; Stanley School Superintendent, Tim Holte; Stanley School Board Member, Robby Nichols; and Public Works Director, Dave Brown to conduct an onsite inspection to evaluate the condition of the pavement on the South Main Street east of the Stanley High School. A cost estimate is being obtained for the replacement of the damaged section of pavement. Further discussion would be held once this estimate is received.

LOSTWOOD MEDIA WITH-

DRAWAL OF EDC APPLICATION
City Attorney, Ryan Sandberg, reiterated discussions held the previous meeting regarding the promissory note and other documents that were revised to better protect the City in case of default of EDC loan/ grant funding. Council Member Hysjulien stated he is willing to meet with the Stanley EDC to work on the revised documents and bring back suggested changes to the Council. Council Member Taylor commented he thought the documents were too complicated. The Council had no objections of ouncil Member Hysjulien working with the EDC to work on changes to the document terms. Mayor Ranum suggested that

contacted for her input. VISITORS' COMMITTEE

Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Hysjulien, to approve the recommendation of the Stanley Visitor's Committee to award a grant from the Stanley Visitor's Promotion Fund in the amount of \$4,000 to the West End Boutique for the band per-

Gina Footh with Lostwood Media also be

formance by Mendenhall Crossing for the 4th of July celebration held at the Prairie Rose Golf Club and to deny the request in the amount of \$1,500 from the Mountrail County Meat Judge Team for financial support for travel cost to the National 4-H Meat Judging Contest to be held in Manhattan, Kansas in the Fall of 2025 as this application does not meet the criteria to receive funding from the Stanley Visitor's Promotion Fund. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Council Member Taylor abstained from voting. Motion carried.

**GAMING PERMITS** 

Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Hysjulien, to approve a Local Permit to the Stanley Scholarship Funds Inc. from 8/25/2025 to 2/27/2026 and a Local Permit to the Stanley Wrestling Club for 8/31/2025. All present voted yes. Motion

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LI-<u>CENSES</u>

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Weyrauch, to approve a special event permit to The Five Spot Bar for a wedding reception/dance at the Mountrail County South Complex on October 17, 2025. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

KENMARE VETS GAMING FUNDS UPDATE

The Council reviewed the quarterly update of complex funds against for done.

update of gaming funds available for donation from the Kenmare Vets gaming sites at

the Beach Bar and Five Spot.

BID NOTICE FORMS FOR VACANT JOHN RIAN LOTS The Council reviewed documents drafted by the City Attorney pertaining to the sale of City-owned vacant lots in the John Rian Addition. Council Member Hysjulien suggested lots be sold for \$1.00 if there is a substantial improvement made to the property within a certain time frame, otherwise lots should be sold at a price to satisfy the outstanding special assessments. Council Member Jarmin felt improvements need to be made within one year otherwise the lot(s) revert back to the City. City Attorney Sandberg suggested that improvements be consistent with the last sale of property in which the City required improvements to be complete within 18 months or purchase. City Attorney Sandberg would present options for the Council's consideration at

their next meeting.

CITY PASTURE LEASE

The Council discussed City-owned property in the NW of Section 33, Township 156, Range 91 that was previously rented to Kevin Harstad for pasture use for ranching purposes. Council Member Weyrauch commented he would like the City to consider selling the land before pursuing a rental lease. Motion made by Weyrauch, seconded by Jarmin, to table action on renting city-owned pasture land. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE COMMITTEE

Employment Committee Chair Hysjulien presented recommendations from the Employment Committee meeting held on August 4, 2025 regarding the Deputy Auditor position and a six-month increase for

Jeanette Ranum.

Motion made by Weyrauch, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve the recommendation of the Employment Committee to offer the Deputy Auditor position to Ronica Pederson effective August 6, 2025 at \$30.00 per hour with three weeks' vacation and after a six-month probationary period the hourly wage would be increased to \$31.50. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS".

Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Taylor, to approve the recommendation of the Employment Committee to increase Jeanette Ranum's hourly wage by \$1.00 effective August 17, 2025 for completion of her six-month probationary period at a 50/50 split between the Police Department and the Auditor. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried.

DETERMINATION OF EXEMPT/
NON-EXEMPT CITY AUDITOR
City Attorney, Ryan Sandberg, indi-

cated the position of City Auditor can be designated as an exempt position under the general rule for administrative employees. City Attorney Sandberg commented the City Council can make a determination to designate the position as non-exempt if they so choose. Council Member Hysjulien commented an exempt position is not paid overtime nor are they allowed to take compensatory time off for overtime hours worked. Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Weyrauch, to table action on the exempt/non-exempt designation for the City Auditor position until the Employment Committee meets and makes a recommendation to the Council. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

**ENGINEERING REPORT** 

City Engineer, Patrick Carabello, was present to update the Council on projects being handled through Brosz Engineering. 5th Street SE Commercial Repair - District #58

Engineer Carabello stated the paving is complete for the 5th Street SE Commercial Repair Project. There is no submittal as the work was completed after the pay application cutoff date.

Capital Improvement Plan Phase 3 District #62 Water & Sewer and District 63 Street (Schedule A) and District 64 Water & Sewer and District 65 Street (Schedule Engineer Carabello stated the sewer/

watermain has been installed and service connections are ongoing along 4th Street. The contractor will have crews for pavement removal starting this week beginning on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The base blending will begin next week. Engineer Carabello presented items needing Council action. The change order as discussed at the July 2025 special meeting came in slightly higher than anticipated and it also includes temporary water service.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Taylor, to approve Change Order No. 1 for an increase of \$124,722.63 to the contract with Kemper Construction for the CIP3 Project - Water District 62. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Weyrauch, to approve payment to Kemper Construction for Pay Application #2 in the amount of \$253,608.96 for CIP3 (\$180,664.24 for Sewer District 62, \$60,368.30 Water District 62, \$5,958.62 for Street District 63, \$2,310.50 for Sewer District 64, \$945.20 for Water District 64, and \$3,362.10 for Street District 65). ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Wey-

rauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried. John Rian Reconstruction - District #59 & #60

Engineer Carabello stated the first lift of pavement is done for the John Rian Reconstruction Project. The contractors will return on August 25th to finish the final lift with concrete work and incidentals to follow. Council Member Weyrauch asked about the gravel stockpile being used by the contractor. Engineer Carabello indicated the City is only being billed for what is used from the stockpile. Engineer Carabello presented an item needing Council

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve payment to Knife River Corporation - North Central for Pay Application #3 in the amount of \$540,951.99 (\$391,605.49 for John Rian Commercial District #59 and \$149,346.50 for John Rian Residential District #60). ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried.

Multi-Community Chip Seal
Engineer Carabello stated the paint is complete for the Multi-Community Chip Seal project. The contractor will be returning to repair the hill on 3rd Street. Engineer Carabello presented an item needing Coun-

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded Weyrauch, to approve payment to the Burke County Auditor for Pay Application #2 in the amount of \$449.35 for worked performed by Asphalt Preservation Company Inc. for the Chip Seal Project District 61. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion car-

# 2<sup>ND</sup> READING - CHAPTER 8 - SPE-CIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE AND AMENDMENTS

The Council reviewed the proposed ordinances amending Chapter 8, Article 2 of the Stanley City Ordinances to add ordinances pertaining to the application for a special event liquor licenses, and to amend ordinances to existing sections. The Council discussed residency requirements and agreed to strike a portion of Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Section 8.0206 pertaining to the requirement of residency for a certain amount of consecutive months. Chief of Police, Kevin Litten, mentioned he will be doing a yearly background check once the ordinance is passed.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Weyrauch, to approve the Second Reading and Final Passage to amend Chapter 8, Article 2 of the Stanley City Ordinance to add Section 8.0232 pertaining to special event permits and to amend ordinances to existing Sections 8.0201, 8.0204, 8.0205, 8.0206 and 8.0229. Said Ordinance on file in the Stanley City Auditor's Office and spread upon the minutes of this meeting. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried and Ordinance declared adopted.

Chief of Police Litten presented the Council with the Application for a Special Event Liquor Permit. Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Hysjulien, to adopt the new Application for a Special Event Liquor Permit as presented by Chief of Po-lice Litten. All present voted yes. Motion

POLICE REPORT
Chief of Police, Kevin Litten, discussed items pertaining to the City Police Depart-

Chief of Police Litten requested a step increase from Step 6 to Step 7 for Samuel Pesik retroactive to June 8, 2025. Chief of Police Litten stated Officer Pesik will have to complete two years at Step 7 before moving to Step 8. Chief of Police Litten apologized for the oversight of not presenting the request sooner. Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Weyrauch, to oprove a salary step increase from \$35.73 per hour to \$36.64 per hour effective June 8, 2025. All present voted yes. Motion car-

Officer Briana Dazell met with the Council to explain the Stanley Police Department "Badges & Backpacks Program" implemented to provide students with supnlies to start the new school year. Officer Dazell mentioned that \$3,300 was received in donations. Officer Dazell recognized the generous donors that contributed to the program that provided for 22 students. The donations were used for backpacks, school supplies and there was enough in donations to provide a new pair of shoes for each of the 22 students. Officer Dazell stated the support was overwhelming. The Council praised Officer Dazell and the Police Department for their efforts.

The Council recessed at 8:35 P.M. and

reconvened at 8:50 P.M.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** Public Works Director David Brown reported the road to access lagoon cells is desperately in need of repair. The lagoon is full and has been drained three times so far this year. PW Director Brown suggested moving forward as quickly as possible in properly repairing the road.

PW Director Brown commented on the cleanup at the City Landfill and stated his department has received nothing but praise for their efforts. Council Member Hysjulien encouraged everyone to go view the landfill as it has never looked as good as it does now.

PW Director Brown thanked Council Member Hysjulien for assisting with the

cleanout of storm gutters **CITY AUDITOR UPDATES** 

City Auditor, Ada Arneson, presented quotes from Gaffaney's of Minot and from Prairie Home Furnishings of Stanley for file cabinets. Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Johnson, to approve the purchase of four fireproof legal file cabinets from Prairie Home Furnishings at the cost of \$16,596 (\$4,149 each). ŌN ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, and Littlecreek; and no "NAYS" Motion carried. Council Member Hysjulien abstained from voting.

City Auditor Arneson requested the employment time period for temporary employee, Joan Hollekim, be extended to the end of the year at which time the Employment Committee will evaluate the position. Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve extending the temporary employment time period through December 31, 2025 for Joan Hollekim. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

City Auditor Arneson presented information received from Dakota Dust-Tex and from Vestis to provide rug and other services to City-owned buildings. The Council requested the City Auditor to obtain firm quotes and bring information back to the Council for their consideration.

City Auditor Arneson presented a transfer request to correct a payment made from the wrong funds. Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve the transfer of \$11,432.50 from Fund 66 (District 60) to Fund 65 (District 59) and the transfer of \$18,680 and from Fund 65 (District 59) to Fund 66 (District 60). ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Members voted "AYE": Johnson. Wev-

rauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hys-julien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried.

City Auditor Arneson mentioned she will be attending the ND League of Cities Conference in Bismarck on September 17-19. Also, City Auditor Arneson reminded the Council of the special meeting that will be held August 21 at 6:00 P.M. regarding Country Estates and CIP1 special assess-

#### CITY ATTORNEY UPDATES

City Attorney Sandberg presented a public comment policy for the Council's consideration.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Weyrauch, to adopt the Public Com-ment Policy outlining the procedures for public comment during Council meetings. Public comments will be placed as a last item on the agenda. All present voted yes.

Motion carried.

FIRST READING - CHAPTER 1

RULES & ORDER OF BUSINESS

City Attorney Sandberg presented a

proposed amendment to Chapter 1 of the Stanley City Ordinances for the Council's consideration.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Littlecreek, to approve the First Reading of the proposed amendment to Section 1.0204 of Chapter 1 of the Stanley City Ordinances to add public comment to the Rules and Order of Business. ON ROLL CALL VOTE, the following Council Mem-bers voted "AYE": Johnson, Weyrauch, Taylor, Jarmin, Littlecreek and Hysjulien; and no "NAYS". Motion carried.

<u>COUNCIL CONCERNS</u>

Council Member Weyrauch mentioned graffiti appeared on the new pavement in the John Rian Addition. Any information regarding this unfortunate incident should be reported to the Stanley Police Depart-

Council Member Littlecreek asked if a notice to mow weeds was sent to Jordon Kannianen regarding his vacant lot on Main Street. P&Z Administrator Dennis mentioned she is in the process of doing so.

Mayor Ranum informed the Council a special meeting will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 4:00 P.M. to discuss the deeding of land back to the City from the

Stanley Airport Authority.

JUDGES REPORT

Motion made by Littlecreek, seconded by Jarmin, to approve the July 2025

Judge's Report. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hysjulien, seconded by Weyrauch, to approve the following 

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Workers Comp Pmt - K9

. \$200.00 ..\$520.00

61 Chip Seal . . . . . . . . . \$449 21314 Circle Sanitation, July Garbage 

21317 Defined, Library Supplies : \$134.44
21318 DSI, Service Call to Main Sewer
Lift ........\$110.00
21319 First District Health Unit, Water
Analysis ...........\$60.00
21320 Fritel Construction, Gravel to LE

Renewal GSP Mapping . . . . \$700.00 21322 G&S Custom Deluxe Detailing, Pd - 10 Wash Package . . . . . \$1,000.0 21323 Gaffaney's of Minot, City Hall & Clerk of Court Supplies . . . . \$1,780.47

21324 Galls, LLC, PD Uniforms . \$126.39 21325 Gustafson's Septic Service, Clean 21327 Holiday Car Wash, Car

Washes . . . . . . . 21328 Information Tech Dept., PD Netmotion Fees .....\$892.05 21329 K Squared Electric, Rpl Pole Base

& Install New Light Pole Hwy 2 & 4<sup>th</sup> St; Troubleshoot Light Vehicle Decals/Equip. . . . \$27,758.72 21331 Kelly Kudrna, Books; Hotel

Reimbursement .......\$773.01 21332 Kemper Construction, Pmt #2 Dist. 62 Cip3 - Sew........\$253,608.96 21333 Knife River Corp, Pmt #3 Dist. 59

Tire Repair, Replace Hose, Rack to Pump on PW Vehicle . . . . . \$377.59 21335 Margaret Lager, City Hall &

Library Cleaning ......\$1,062.50 21336 Matthew Bender, Code

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