

City Council Proceedings

The City Council of White Lake, South Dakota met in regular session on September 9, 2026 at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the following council members present: Mark Guericke, Nathaniel Schroeder, Tia Hetland and Dan Cudmore. Also present was Mayor Kim Ehlers and Finance Officer Kimberly York, There were also two patrons present.

Motion was made by Cudmore, seconded by Hetland to approve agenda. Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Guericke to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2026, meeting. Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

Public comments were invited. Discussion was brought up about the city establishing a dog park. The suggestion was to have donations from the community to help take care of it.

Daycare P&L was reviewed by council

August 2026 Financial reports were reviewed. Checking account: \$45,613.61, Savings Account: \$110,884.13, Library Account: \$4,985.74, and CDs: \$121,367.69. Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Hetland to approve the financials. The 1st reading of the budget was read in open meeting.

There are culverts around the city that need to be cleaned out or replaced. Josh Podzimek will start the process. Rich Schuman will assist as needed.

Sewer proposal was brought to the council about starting the process to camera and jet the sewer system and to camera and repair the sewer lines going out of the city. Motion made by Schroeder, seconded by Cudmore to approve both sewer projects. Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

Discussion was made about establishing the Community Improvement Grant. The city will designate funds to help assist patrons with exterior improvements with money awarded via an application process. Motion made by Cudmore, seconded by Schroeder to approve the Community Improvement Grant. Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

September 9, 2026 Vouchers: Aurora Brule Rural Water-Monthly Water Purchase- \$5,661.50, Aurora County Highway Department-Culvert-\$1,008.00, Badger Meter-Monthly Communication Fees-\$71.28, CHS Budget LP -\$440.00, Core & Main-Fire department Supplies-\$808.34, CNA Surety-Fire department bond-\$187.00, Hillman's Repair-Government vehicle repair-\$214.99, Jake's-Fuel, supplies for pool-\$496.67, James D Taylor - 3 Month Agreement-\$1,200.00, Konechne Hardware- Shop Supplies-\$172.35, Krohmer Agency-Daycare Insurance-\$4,685.84, L&L Sanitation-Monthly Garbage -\$105.00, McLeod's-Finance Office Supplies-\$915.97, Midstate Communications-Monthly Internet/Telephone-\$316.83, Northwestern Energy-Electric-\$3,849.01, - Utility Postage -\$130.00, Public Health Lab-Monthly Samples-\$40.00, Ron's Market-Daycare Food/Supplies-\$420.93, Ron's Market-Food& Supplies-\$420.93, SCP Distributors-Pool Supplies-\$304.41, SD Department of Transportation-Annual Sign Permit-\$24.00, SDRS-Monthly Contribution-\$2,050.11, Sun Flower Ect-Funeral Flowers-\$58.41, White Lake School District-Light at ball field, daycare food-\$693.37. Motion by Schroeder, seconded by Guericke to approve bills Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

Paid Bills in between August 1-31st: Aflac-Monthly insurance-\$612.45, Cellphone-\$94.50, Payroll-\$24,125.88, FM Bank-ACH Feeds/Loan/VISA-\$1,876.17, IRS-Federal Tax Deposit-\$4,609.02, National Rural Water Association-Water Tower Loan-\$859.27, USDA-Water/Main Street Loan-\$2,435.00, Wealth Management-Quarterly SRF Loan-\$7,211.03.

Mayor Ehlers mentioned to the council for consideration she would like to put a White Lake museum in Hanten Park. She would donate the old Gillen School building to house it and would consider raising money to get it started.

Weed control around town was discussed. The major issue is the railroad tracks. Cudmore reached out to the railroad, and they stated that they will get it taken care of as their machinery is in the shop.

Motion made by Schroeder, seconded by Cudmore to enter executive session at 8:27pm.

Motion made by Cudmore, seconded by Schroeder to leave executive session at 8:38pm.

Next council meeting- October 5, 2026 at 5:30pm.

Motion was made by Hetland, seconded by Cudmore to adjourn at 8:39 pm. Motion carried by voice vote 4-0.

Kim Ehlers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly York, Finance Officer