

## City Council Proceedings.

The City Council of the White Lake, South Dakota met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2026 at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the following council members present: Sharon Reeves, Mark Guericke, Nathaniel Schroeder, and Tia Hetland, together with the Mayor Kim Ehlers and Finance Officer Kimberly York. There were also nine patrons present.

Motion was made by Hetland, seconded by Guericke to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Reeves, seconded by Schroeder to approve the minutes from the February 4, 2026 meeting. Motion Carried.

Public comments were invited. Barb Becker expressed concern about U-turns made on South Railroad Street and Main street as people are hitting the curb.

Daycare P&L was reviewed by council

March 2026 Financial reports were reviewed. Checking account: \$56,127.90, Savings Account: \$110,605.66, Library Account: \$4,973.74, and CDs: \$120,191.83. Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Hetland to approve the financials. Motion carried.

Reviewed report from GEOTEK. There are two different options to repair the street at Delevan Court. It is recommended that a survey to be completed to see what options will be best. Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Reeves to move forward with the survey if the grant is received. Motion Carried.

Received quote from Banner Associates for Chip and Seal project for summer of 2026. Motion made by Schroeder, seconded by Guericke to approve the quotes and continue to let Weston from Banner Associates to continue to work on Quote.

Drainage on both corners of South Railroad Street and Main Street has become an issue. We are going to reach out to Banner Associates to see if they have different ideas on how to fix the problem.

Jorden Hanten brought a bill to the city. There was sewer back up at his house. Found the problem was on the City side. Motion by Guericke, seconded by Reeves to pay the bill. Motion carried.

Question was brought up about the meter reading. The meters are showing water usage to the tenth but the meter is being read to the 100. Finance officer will look into why it is read this way and report.

There is no signage for the park stating children are at play. City council agreed that signage needs to be posted.

Kim Ehlers is asking for free swimming on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> for Friendship days. Motion made by Hetland, seconded by Schroeder. Motion Carried.

Baseball field concerns. The water usage is going to be more as there is new grass that is planted and Josh will be doing all maintenance on the field. Mark is going to look into seeing if we can go back into the well or have to stay on the rural water.

The Economic Development board met in March. They helped generate ideas on how to offer community block grants in place of the code enforcer costs. No decision were made but just ideas were talked about.

March 10, 2026 Vouchers: Aurora Brule Rural Water-Monthly Water Purchase- \$3,883.50, Badger Meter, Monthly Communication Fees-\$69.84, Banner Associates-Professional Services-\$1,297.50, CHS-Monthly LP-\$610.00, Core and Main-Water and Sewer Supplies-\$1,811.78, Corn Palace Shrine Club-Promoting the City-\$150.00, Jake's-Fuel-\$321.48, James Valley Nursery-Irrigation Maintenance-\$323.91, Krohmer Agency-Fire

Station Yearly Insurance-\$10,021.00, Konechne Hardware-Shop Supplies-\$345.78, L&L Sanitation-Monthly Garbage-\$105.00, MARC-Sewer Supplies-\$1,919.77, Menards-Shop and Park Supplies-\$253.72, Midstate Communications-Monthly Internet/Telephone-\$357.90, Northwestern Energy-Electric-\$2,743.15, Plankinton Lumber, Promoting the City-\$50.45, Postmaster, Box Renewal and Utility Postage-\$212.0, Public Health Laboratory-Monthly Sample-\$40.00, Randi Christensen-Daycare Training-\$21.00, Ron's Market-Daycare Food/Supplies-\$516.23, SDRS-Monthly Contribution-\$1,844.04, White Lake School- Daycare Meals-\$945.50, White Lake Commercial Club- Yearly Dues-\$100.00. Zach Scott Construction- Sewer Digging-\$3,508.64. Motion by Schroeder, seconded by Hetland to approve bills. Motion Carried.

Paid Bills in between March 1-31: Aflac-Monthly insurance-\$286.54, Cellphone-\$99.64, Payroll-\$18,075.08, FM Bank-ACH Feeds/Loan/VISA-\$1,928.17, IRS-Federal Tax Deposit-\$3702.41, National Rural Water Association-Water Tower Loan-\$859.27, USDA-Water/Main Street Loan-\$2,435.00.

Scavengers Journey is asking for a \$250.00. Motion made by Reeves, Seconded by Guericke. Motion Carried.

Kim Ehlers is working on three grants. Water board grant, survey grant, and DAR grant. She just wanted to give the council a heads up that will go towards sewer, streets, and friendship day grant.

Kim Ehlers is working on getting a Hot Air Balloon for friendship days. She is asking the city to donate up to \$3,400 to the project. Motion made by Schroeder, seconded by Hetland to pull the funds out of Promoting the city. 3 ayes and 1 nay. Motion carried.

Building permits from John Ehlers and Ed Peters were presented to the council. Motion made by Hetland, seconded by Reeves to approve. Motion Carried.

Russ Ehlers has land north of the interstate that is possibly going to be developed. There is no road access to this land. Therefore, he came to the city council to ask for approval with him moving forward on this. Motion by Guericke, seconded by Hetland. Motion carried.

Motion by Guericke, seconded by Schroeder to enter executive session at 8:32pm for personnel.

Mayor declared executive session over at 9:00 pm

Motion by Hetland, seconded by Schroeder to approve the following lifeguard applications pending certification. Motion Carried.

Addisyn Everson - \$15.25/hour  
Mickayla Kavanagh - \$15.25/hour  
Celina Trisco - \$15.25/hour

No petitions were returned for the elections. Ward I and Ward II will be appointed until next election.

Next council meeting- May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 7pm.

Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Hetland to adjourn at 9:03pm. Motion Carried.

---

Kim Ehlers, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kimberly York, Finance Officer