



Monday, June 30th, 2025
Grafton Parks Office Board Room
715 West 5th Street
Grafton, ND 58237
12:00 p.m.

Minutes:

- I. Call to Order by Scott Hills at 12:06pm
 - A. Committee Members Present: Scott Hills, Cory Burns, Jon Jelinek, Kristi Olson
 - B. Committee Members Absent: Darrin Wollitz
 - C. Staff Present: Bill Dahl, Matt Opegard
- II. Scott asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. No changes were made.
- III. Old Business:
- IV. New Business:
 - A. 2026 Budget: Matt explained that the Mill is up to \$11,491 per mil this year, but with the passing of House Bill 1176 the total amount that can be milled for the General Fund is \$416,430. Matt shared the cap calculation worksheet that was provided by the City Auditor, Wanda Ensrude. Matt has not received the 2026 projected values for the Mobile Home Tax, Homestead Credit, State Aid Distribution, Telecomm Tax, and Disabled Veteran Fund. Matt estimated all those taxes at the 2025 budgeted rate. Matt pointed out that the budget is set with full-time employees to receive a 4% increase. Matt noted that the City is not sure what they will do for salary increases since they are getting hit with a high health insurance increase along with projects that they must fund that may prove difficult with the HB 1176 cap. The committee discussed the proposed budget. The general fund was estimated to have \$14,399.20 left to budget. The Budget Committee discussed current needs and agreed to allocate \$4,000 to a community event as requested by Kristi Olson, \$5,000 to the Equipment fund as requested by Bill Dahl for the future purchase of a newer used Bobcat skidsteer, the rest was allocated to the campground for the finishing work for cabin 9. Matt explained that he still has not received an answer if the Building Fund is subject to the cap or not, but he estimated the Building Fund as if it was capped. Matt explained that the Building Fund is estimated to total \$57,619.50 with the \$15,000 allocated to the Centennial Center debit service, \$12,069.50 to the equipment fund to allow for the purchase of the Toolcat that is currently on a 3-year lease, \$2,750 to the building appliance fund, \$10,800 for roof repairs, and \$17,000 to the Pool Project Fund. Special Assessment mills are estimated for Schumacher Park, Westview Tennis Courts, and 8th Street Diamond properties, but there will be another special assessment for the Leistikow Park Road Project that will be added once Matt receives more information from Wanda. The 1st Reading of the budget will be held on Monday, July 28th at Noon at the Grafton Parks & Recreation Office Board Room (715 West 5th Street).
- V. No Public Comments:
- VI. Adjournment: Motion by Kristi, second by Jon, motion passed all approved. Meeting adjourned at 12:47pm.