

REGULAR WHITEWOOD COUNCIL MEETING**October 6, 2025**

The Whitewood City Council met in regular session on Monday the 6th of October 2025 at City Hall. Mayor Mitch Harmon called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm, with Council members Roxie Cooper, Jeremy Noren, Sara Fitzgerald, Jerry Davidson, Ken Noren, and Shelbi Bulat present. City Attorney Fitzgerald, Police Chief Bach, Building Official Smit, Public Works Werlinger and Finance Officer Heckenlaible were also present.

Action 2025-154

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by Davidson, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on September 15, 2025. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-155

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Fitzgerald, to approve the claims as presented. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

CLAIMS- October 6, 2025**ESTIMATED WAGES –OCTOBER 2025 (3 pay periods)**

MAYOR	550.00
COUNCIL	2,250.00
CITY ATTORNEY	1,000.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR	300.00
CHIEF OF POLICE- Josh Bach	6,518.40
POLICE OFFICER- Anthony Spencer	5,464.80
POLICE OFFICER- Greg Meyer	6,477.60
BUILDING OFFICAL- Jim Smit	2,366.10
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- DJ Werlinger	5,865.60
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- Derek Daniels	5,736.00
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- John Cooper	5,426.40
LIBRARIAN – Deb Terhue	3,459.84
LIBRARY ASST.- Donna Willson	729.00
LIBRARY ASST- Sandy Huffman	729.00
LIBRARY ASST.- Olyn Smith	358.32
FINANCE OFFICER – Cory Heckenlaible	6,451.20
FINANCE & PW- Jessica Bestgen	3,917.55
TOTAL	\$57,599.81

GENERAL LEDGER

SD DEPT REVENUE & REGULATION- Garbage Tax	431.08
SD RETIREMENT- Employee Retirement	5,021.69
TOTAL	\$5,452.77

GENERAL FUND

WASTE CONNECTIONS- Garbage Collection	7,208.09
A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS- Police 171.37, City Hall 229.59	400.96
ALL NET CONNECTIONS- Police 182.00, Backup 212.12	394.12
AMAZON CAPITAL- City Hall 13.96, Hale Hall 47.97, Shop 227.99, Police 36.67	326.59
AT&T	431.95
CHAIN SAW CENTER- Parks	226.83
LIGHTING MAINTENANCE- Exit Lights	58.52

MOTOROLA- Video Manager Annual License	780.00
PERFORMANCE AUTOMATICS- Tire Repair	25.00
REPUBLIC NATIONAL- September Liquor	2,596.44
SIMON- Salt Sand	3,815.18
SOUTHERN GLAZERS- September Liquor	2,979.24
SPEARFISH SEAMLESS GUTTERS- Hale Hall	1,219.39
STURGIS AUTO PARTS- Streets	86.29
SUNDANCE STATE BANK- Riley TIFD	2,310.30
WAL-MART- Shop	65.48
WELLS FARGO VISA- Shop 14.65, City Hall 32.78, Election 97.06, Vision 56.84, Police 141.97	343.30
WESTERN STATIONERS- City Hall	105.90
WHEELER SERVICES- Salt Sand Delivery	1,320.00
JOHNSON SOUTH DAKOTA- September Liquor	21,180.21
A&J SUPPLY- Shop 62.63, Streets 432.09, Parks 90.87	585.59
AXON ENTERPRISES- Taser Certification	4,160.20
SONSET STATION- PW Fuel	100.00
FITZGERALD LAW FIRM- Legal Services June-Sept	4,077.50
BJ'S COUNTRY STORE- City Hall 49.55, BI Fuel 80.00, Police Fuel 753.28	882.83
ONSOLVE- CodeRed Renewal	1,406.60
TOTAL	\$57,086.51

LIBRARY

AMAZON CAPITAL	265.04
GENES LOCK SHOP- Door Locks	173.98
DEB TERHUNE- Reimburse Supplies	263.05
ALL NET CONNECTIONS	22.75
A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	129.83
TOTAL	\$854.65

WATER/SEWER FUNDS

DASH MEDICAL GLOVES	121.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	34.20
HAWKINS CHEMICAL	854.08
MILBANK WINWATER WORKS- Meter Nodes	446.04
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS	67.43
USA BLUE BOOK- Treatment Plant	59.60
WELLS FARGO VISA- AWWA School 465.57, WiFi 76.90	542.47
A&J SUPPLY	142.96
SONSET STATION- PW Fuel	100.00
TOTAL	\$2,367.78

AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Water Project Loan	4,028.00
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Trunk Sewer Project	1,057.00
EFTPS- Payroll Taxes 09/19/25	5,059.25
EFTPS- Payroll Taxes 10/03/25	5,503.75
TOTAL	\$15,648.00

Action 2025-156

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by Davidson, to have attorney Fitzgerald review the additions to Article IX, Personnel Records in the employee manual, before approving. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-157

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by Fitzgerald, to accept Sargent Meyer's resignation from full-time officer with regret, effective November 1, 2025, and hire him as a part-time certified police officer at \$22.77 per hour. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-158

Motion by Davidson, seconded by Fitzgerald, to approve hiring Anthony Panza as a part-time certified police officer at \$22.77 per hour. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-159

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by Bulat, to approve the addition of Section 10.14.7, Equipment Usage, to Article X in the employee manual. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-160

Motion by Davidson, seconded by J. Noren, to approve applying for the following 2026 liquor licenses. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

- BJ's Country Store- Package (off-sale) Liquor
- FMB Enterprises (Iron horse)- Convention Center (on-sale) Liquor
- The Hideaway- Retail (on-sale) Liquor
- Bullwackers- Retail (on-sale) Liquor
- Bullwackers- Package (off-sale) Liquor
- Stern Oil Company- Package (off-sale) Liquor

Action 2025-161

Motion by Cooper, seconded by J. Noren, to approve the revised 2025-2026 Mayoral Appointments. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-162

Motion by Cooper, seconded by J. Noren, to enter into Executive Session for legal and personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) and (3) at 5:48 PM. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

At 6:31 PM, Mayor Harmon announced that Executive Session had ended.

Action 2025-163

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by Bulat, to approve the following raises, Police Chief Bach \$30.00 per hour, Officer Spencer \$27.00 per hour and new full-time police officers at \$25.00 per hour. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-164

Motion by J. Noren, seconded by K. Noren, to approve giving all full-time employees a \$1.50 per hour raise. Wages will be reviewed again in January 2026 and performance evaluations conducted. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

MITCHELL U. HARMON
Mayor

Attest:

CORY HECKENLAIBLE
Finance Officer