

June 1st, 2026

The City Council of the City of Wessington Springs met in regular session at the Office of Finance Officer at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, June 1st, 2026, with the following members being present: Pat Fastnacht, Cherie Maxwell, Scott Vaske, Shawn Tobin, Kari Fagerhaug and Mayor Ryan Knipfer presiding. Also, in attendance were Linda Willman, Finance Officer, and Gary Blue City Attorney.

Meeting was opened with pledge of allegiance.

Tobin motioned, seconded by Vaske to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C.

Conflicts of Interest: Vaske - Sons of American Legion

Mayor Ryan Knipfer announced this was time for public comment.

Vaske motioned, seconded by Fastnacht to approve May 2026 Council meeting minutes. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C.

Fastnacht motioned, seconded by Fagerhaug to approve the May 2026 treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C.

Fagerhaug motioned, seconded by Tobin to approve pay request #1 to Feistner Gravel & Excavation in the amount of \$175,159.26 for the Rural Water Project. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

Vaske motioned, seconded by Fagerhaug to approve pay request #1 to Holstein Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$156,604.50 for the Watermain Project. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

Fagerhaug motioned, seconded by Tobin to approve pay request to Dahme Construction for the sewer lagoon project in the amount of \$29,891.85. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

Maxwell motioned, seconded by Fastnacht, and with all Council members voting aye to approve the following bills for payment.

BILLS

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Fund:</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
			GENERAL FUND	
American Legal			SD Basic Code	520.00
AmKota			supplies	854.23
B & S Service			battery	458.10
Baker's			mower	573.79
Blue Law Firm LLP			professional service	1,000.00
CHS/Farmers Alliance			budget billing	450.00
Code Enforcement Specialist			professional service	114.63
Connecting Point			offsite backup	135.35
Diehl, Allie			supplies	53.84

Doll Distributing LLC	op agreement-beer	6,304.97
Doug's Custom Paint & Body, Inc.	mower repairs	1,718.82
EX Business Card	supplies, dues	990.99
Flight Light Inc.	supplies	951.48
Hawkins	chemical	410.07
Johnson Brothers	op agreements	958.09
Knipfer, Ryan	supplies	169.00
L & M Sanitation	professional service	7,542.32
McLeods	supplies	67.48
Michael Todd	supplies	1,809.38
Midwest Fire & Safety	professional service	873.45
Office Peeps	supplies	136.11
Pests B Dead LLC	professional service	300.00
Pitney Bowes	lease	179.46
Porter	op agreement-beer	2,653.36
Republic	op agreement-liquor	1,214.55
Reserve Account	postage	250.00
Schweitzer, Traci	cleaning supplies	123.72
Southern Wines & Spirits of SD	op agreement	208.09
Total Oil	supplies	21.38
True Dakotan	publishing	477.99
Venture	utilities	377.80
WESCO	cloud fee	591.66
World Insurance Associates LLC,	cancellation	150.00
YN Mechanics LLC	repairs-car trailer	290.49
	Fund Total:	32,930.60
Fund: 212	ADDITIONAL SALES TAX - 2ND	
USDA Rural Development	loan repayment	3,051.00
	Fund Total:	3,051.00
Fund: 501	CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	
Feistner Gravel & Excavation	professional service	175,159.26
Hulstein Excavating LLC	professional service	156,604.50
SPN	engineering-wastewater project	71,858.27
	Fund Total:	403,622.03
Fund: 602	WATER FUND	
AmKota	shop	35.21
Department of Ag and Nat. Res.	dues	600.00
Hawkins	chemical	3,026.16
McLeods	supplies	67.47
Midwest Fire & Safety	professional service	109.18
Reserve Account	postage	250.00
SD Dept of Health	testing	154.00
SD One Call	professional service	7.84
Venture	utilities	158.77
WESCO	cloud fee	591.67
	Fund Total:	5,000.30
Fund: 603	ELECTRIC FUND	
AmKota	shop	35.22
Border States Electric Supply	supplies	220.14
EX Business Card	supplies, dues,	44.50
McLeods	supplies	67.48
Midwest Fire & Safety	professional service	109.19
Reserve Account	postage	250.00
SD One Call	professional service	7.84
Terex Services	repairs and maintain.	10,614.94
Venture	utilities	372.72

WESCO	cloud fee	1,781.67
YN Mechanics LLC	repairs on trailer	145.25
	Fund Total:	13,648.95

Fund: 604	SEWER FUND	
AmKota	shop	72.25
Dahme Construction Co. Inc.	repairs	29,891.85
McLeods	supplies	67.47
Midwest Fire & Safety	professional service	109.18
Reserve Account	postage	250.00
SD Dept of Health	testing	154.00
SPN	engineering-Lift station Lagoon	1,417.80
SD One Call	professional service	7.84
Venture	utilities	158.77
	Fund Total:	32,129.16

SELF INSURANCE FUND

self insurance	3,250.00
Fund Total:	3,250.00
Checking Account Total:	493,632.04

PREPAIDS

Checking 1	Fund: 101	GENERAL FUND	
CENTRAL ELECTRIC	utilities	231.99	
Doll Distributing LLC	op agreement	8,789.39	
Hustler Turf Equipment, LLC	equipment	16,083.00	
Johnson Brothers	op agreement	3,364.48	
Mid-Dakota	utilities	46.00	
Porter	op agreements	3,545.42	
Republic	op agreement	1,857.88	
SD Dept of Revenue	license renewals	750.00	
SD Dept of Revenue	sales tax	490.43	
SD Public Assurance Alliance	insurance	37,643.32	
Southern Wines & Spirits of SD	op agreement	748.38	
	Fund Total:	73,550.29	

Fund: 501	CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	
H&W Contracting LLC	professional service	168,589.50
	Fund Total:	168,589.50

Fund: 602	WATER FUND	
SD Public Assurance Alliance	insurance	11,027.37
	Fund Total:	11,027.37

Fund: 603	ELECTRIC FUND	
Heartland	purchased power	22,660.55
SD Dept of Revenue	sales tax	4,475.27
SD Public Assurance Alliance	insurance	33,404.48
WAPA	purchased power	19,996.80
	Fund Total:	80,537.10

Fund: 604	SEWER FUND	
Central Electric	utilities	75.40
SD Public Assurance Alliance	insurance	2,265.38
	Fund Total:	2,340.78

Fund: 701	UTILITY DEPOSIT FUND	
	deposit refund	126.44
	deposit refund	173.83
	Fund Total:	300.27
	Checking Account Total:	336,345.31

PAYROLL

Payroll	Finance Office	3,398.48
Payroll	Street	523.99
Payroll	Landfill	935.40

Payroll	Summer Rec	3,115.51
Payroll	Library	2,527.52
Payroll	Water	3,251.56
Payroll	Electric	9,580.65
Payroll	Sewer	3,251.55
SD Retirement	contributions	6,992.20
Accounts Management	deduction	582.92
Wellmark	insurance	7,080.36
AFLAC	insurance	704.89
Colonial	insurance	350.70
Division of OASI	social security/Medicare	5,771.92
Federal Tax Payment	withholding	2,523.67
Flex Account	contributions	110.00
Total:		\$42,390.50

Department heads Phil LaBore and Brett Lambert met with the Council. A discussion was held on the tree and streetlight by the library.

City Attorney informed the Council that we did receive the formal denial letter from the SD State Department of Revenue for the liquor license application, and that we have 30 days to submit a formal request to have a hearing on the denial. Vaske motioned seconded by Tobin to send a formal request for a hearing on the denied license. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

An update was given to the council prepared by Camden Hofer of SPN for the rural water project, watermain project and the lagoon project.

Change order #2 for the rural water project in the amount of \$640.06 for a service line in the park was presented to the Council. Fagerhaug motioned, seconded by Vaske to approve the change order # 2 for the rural water project for \$640.06. Ayes: 5 Nay: 0 M/C

The agreement from Planning and Development District 3 for 2027 professional services in the amount of \$2277.00 to be paid by February 15th, 2027, was presented to the Council. Fastnacht motioned seconded by Maxwell to approve the agreement and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement to be returned to Planning and Development District 3. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C.

A quote of \$13,560.00 was received from Total Construction for the remodeling of the library bathroom. Fagerhaug motioned, seconded by Vaske to approve the quote. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

The Jerauld/Buffalo 4-H clubs received a grant to plant flower bulbs in the city and just wanted to make sure it was okay. Council agreed it was fine to plant them in the park and possibly check with Shakespeare Garden to see if they needed any also.

The list of committee members was presented to the Council. Fagerhaug motioned seconded by Fastnacht to approve the following committee list. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Committees (May 2026 to November 2026)

Electric	Head: Layton Schimke Pat Fastnacht
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Water-Sewer	Head: Shawn Tobin Scott Vaske
Pool	Head: Kari Fagerhaug Scott Vaske
Street-Landfill-Park	Head: Pat Fastnacht Layton Schimke
Finance Office-Library-Safety	Head: Pat Fastnacht Kari Fagerhaug
House/Properties	Head: Kari Fagerhaug Shawn Tobin
Personnel	Entire Council
Library Representative	Cherie Maxwell
District 3:	Ryan Knipfer
Tri-County Landfill:	Cherie Maxwell
Revolving Loan Fund:	Kari Fagerhaug
Development Board Liaison:	Scott Vaske
Sheriff Department Liaison:	Pat Fastnacht
Mayor:	Ryan Knipfer
President:	Kari Fagerhaug
Vice-President:	Pat Fastnacht
Finance Officer:	Linda Willman
Electric Superintendent:	Phil LaBore
Water/Sewer Superintendent:	Vacant
Street/Park Superintendent:	Phil LaBore
City Attorney:	Gary Blue
Airport Manager:	Brian Bergeleen
Zoning Administrator:	Linda Willman

The appointment term for the Wessington Springs Zoning Board is 2 years.

Zoning:	Lloyd Kraft	term ending November 2027
	Lila Hoffman	term ending November 2027
	Betsy Schroeder	term ending November 2028
	Shane Mentzer	term ending November 2028
	Ryan Knipfer	term ending November 2028

The appointment term for the Wessington Springs Airport Board is 2 years.

Airport:	Kari Fagerhaug	term ending November 2027
	Bernie Maxwell	term ending November 2027
	Dennis Amick	term ending November 2027
	Wayne Grohs	term ending November 2028
	Kirk Luymes	term ending November 2028

Library Board:	Eileen Thomas
	Mike Easter
	Johnny Kruse

Park & Rec Board:	Joyce Krueger
	Terri Mebius
	Kathy Voorhees

Gwen Fastnacht

A request to block off a portion of Main Street on July 11th, 2026, for the Sons of American Legion poker run fundraiser in front of Pin Twisters. Fastnacht motioned seconded by Tobin to approve the request to allow a portion of Main Street to be blocked off on July 11th, 2026. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Vaske abstained M/C

Parking on Main Street and U-Turns were discussed. It was decided to get prices for the application of parking strips.

Tobin motioned with Fagerhaug seconding to adjourn.

Ryan Knipfer, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda Willman, Finance Officer

