

September 29th, 2025

The Wessington Springs City Council met in special session at the Office of the Finance Officer on Monday, September 29th, 2025, with the following members present Pat Fastnacht, Cherie Maxwell, Shawn Tobin, Kari Fagerhaug and Mayor Ryan Knipfer presiding. Finance Officer Linda Willman and City Attorney Gary Blue were also present. Councilman Layton Schimke and Meg Forrest were absent.

Fagerhaug moved with Fastnacht seconding to approve the agenda as posted. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 M/C

No Conflicts of interest were declared.

Mayor Ryan Knipfer announced it was time for public comment.

A resignation was submitted by Meg Forrest as Councilman for the City of Wessington Springs. Fagerhaug motioned, seconded by Fastnacht to accept the resignation and thank Meg Forrest for her service on the Wessington Springs City Council. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 M/C

Fastnacht motioned, seconded by Tobin to appoint Scott Vaske to fill the 1st Ward Councilman vacant council position created by the resignation. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 M/C.

Oath of office was given to Scott Vaske by City Attorney Gary Blue.

The agreement for the Country Club and Pin Twisters was presented to the Council for their approval. Tobin motioned, seconded by Maxwell to approve the agreement as presented and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement stating the transfer of the liquor license to Pin Twisters on October 15th, 2025 and transferred back to the Wessington Springs Country Club on April 1st, 2026. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

Mayor Ryan Knipfer announced this was the time and place for the public hearing for the transfer of the liquor license from the Wessington Springs Country Club to Starlight Bowling dba Pin Twisters from October 15th to April 1st, 2026. Tobin motioned, seconded by Vaske to approve the liquor license transfer and authorize the Finance Officer to submit the application to SD Department of Revenue for final approval. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C.

Mayor Ryan Knipfer announced this was the time and place for the public hearing for the special events license for Pin Twisters/WS Country Club for the Pheasants Forever Banquet on October 17th, 2025 at the Wessington Springs Gym. No interested parties were in attendance. Tobin motioned seconded by Vaske to approve the special events liquor license as presented.

The following bids were received for the Mid-Dakota Water Project.

Feistner Gravel & Excavation	Woonsocket, SD	\$ 797,865.91
R P & H Inc.	Reliance, SD	\$ 988,220.00
H & W Contracting, LLC	Sioux Falls, SD	\$1,102,176.20
Flatland Enterprise, LLC	Watertown, SD	\$1,112,716.96
TLC Olson Construction	Huron, SD	\$1,127,118.00
Dahme Construction	Aberdeen, SD	\$1,157,948.11
Sharpe Enterprises Inc	Ft. Pierre, SD	\$1,208,778.10
A-G-E Corporation	Ft. Pierre, SD	\$1,416,442.00
Sentry, LLC	Watertown, SD	\$1,584,794.58

Following a discussion and review of the bids, Fagerhaug motioned seconded by Fastnacht to award the project to Feistner Gravel and Excavation for \$797,865.91 contingent on DANR and Engineer approval of bid. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

The following proposals were received for the tank mixer project.

Tank Compliance Services	Mesa, AZ	\$72,533.33
Maguire	Sioux Falls, SD	\$95,000.00

Fastnacht motioned, seconded by Tobin award the proposal to Tank Compliance Services for \$72,533.33 contingent on DANR approval. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

A discussion was held on the 2nd Street Project and the bonding company.

Mayor Ryan Knipfer announced this was the time and place for the 2nd reading on the 2026 budget for the City of Wessington Springs. No changes were made to the budget from the 1st reading held on September 3rd, 2025. Following a discussion, a motion was made by Fastnacht, seconded by Fagerhaug to approve the following Ordinance #830 titled "2026 Annual Appropriation Ordinance".

Ordinance # 830
2026 Annual Appropriation Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1st, 2026 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 2026.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESSINGTON SPRINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Section 1. That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated, and taxes levied upon all taxable property within the City of Wessington Springs for the purpose of providing funds to meet all lawful expenses and liabilities of said City for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

2026 Budget

<u>General Government</u>	General Fund	Library Fund	2nd Penny Fund	Capital Projects
REVENUES				
310 General Property taxes	265,000.00			
Sales Tax	300,000.00		100,000.00	
Other Tax Related	5,500.00			
320 Licenses & Permits	3,300.00			
330 Intergovernmental Revenue	86,800.00			
340 Charges for Goods & Service	109,390.00			
360 Miscellaneous Revenue		1,700.00		
Interest	7,000.00		2,600.00	
Special Street Assessment	58,000.00			
Special Assessment-curb & gutter/sidewalks				
Rentals	30,000.00			
Cable Franchise	8,000.00			
Liquor Operating Agreements	367,500.00			
380 Airport	12,000.00			
390 Transfer from 2 nd Penny-interest	2,600.00			
390 Transfer from Water-interest	175.00			
390 Transfer from Electric interest	18,000.00			
390 Transfer from Sewer-interest	6,000.00			
390 Transfer from 2nd Penny				
Unencumbered Cash Balance	100,352.00	160,000.00	350,000.00	
Unencumbered Cash Balance-self Insurance reserve	<u>22,500.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	

TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	1,402,117.00	161,700.00	452,600.00
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EXPENDITURES

410 General Government

4111 Council	53,669.00
4114 Clerk of Council	1,909.00
4115 Contingency	65,000.00
4121 Mayor	4,316.00
4130 Elections	980.00
4141 Attorney	12,500.00
4142 Finance Officer	178,475.00
4192 General Government Buildings	<u>27,800.00</u>

Total General Government	344,649.00
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420 Public Safety

4211 Law Enforcement	123,956.00
4229 Fire	<u>12,128.00</u>

Total Public Safety	136,084.00
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430 Public Works

4311 Streets	181,751.00
4613 Street Lights	8,000.00
4321 Sanitation	21,017.00
4322 Street Cleaning	1,500.00
4323 Solid Waste Collection	97,125.00
4350 Airport	<u>32,325.00</u>

Total Public Works	341,718.00
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Capital Projects

413,388.00

440 Health

4411 Regulation & Inspection	5,000.00
4431 West Nile	<u>2,150.00</u>

Total Health	7,150.00
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450 Culture & Recreations

4511 Swimming Pool	49,055.00
4512 Summer Rec	2,000.00
4521 Parks	64,341.00
4550 Library	<u>64,620.00</u>

Total Park & Recreation	180,016.00	161,700.00
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460 Economic Development & Assistance

4651 Economic Development	<u>12,500.00</u>
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Total Economic Development	12,500.00
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490 Miscellaneous

4900 Operating Agreements	<u>380,000.00</u>
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Total Miscellaneous	380,000.00
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Debt Service

36,612.00

Reserve for equipment

Interest Transfer to General

2,600.00

Total Expenditures	1,402,117.00	161,700.00	452,600.00
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Water
Fund

Electric
Fund

Sewer
Fund

Utility
Deposit
Fund

Revenue

Self-Insurance Reserve	6,500.00	19,500.00	6,500.00
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Unobligated Cash	55,115.80	46,429.50	45,904.68
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interest	175.00	18,000.00	6,000.00
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Sales	225,500.00	1,200,000.00	185,000.00
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Debt Service Revenue	32,300.00	176,130.00	19,400.00
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Depr/surplus	6,000.00		6,000.00
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Wheeling		70,439.00	
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Sales Tax		65,000.00		
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,000.00	6,100.00		
Deposits				10,000.00
Total Revenue	326,590.80	1,601,598.50	268,804.68	10,000.00
Expenditures				
Utilities	8,000.00	9,000.00	1,500.00	
Purchased Power		675,000.00		
Repairs & Maintenance	22,500.00	35,000.00	40,000.00	
Supplies	76,000.00	91,000.00	7,000.00	
Personnel	88,170.00	254,881.00	98,425.00	
Replacement Expenses		25,000.00		
Professional Service	65,000.00	25,000.00	40,000.00	
Equipment		100,000.00		
Insurance	9,800.00	32,000.00	1,250.00	
Travel, Training & Dues	4,000.00	6,000.00	3,000.00	
Sales Tax		65,000.00		
Other				
Deposit Refunds				10,000.00
Self-Insurance	6,500.00	19,500.00	6,500.00	
Debt Service	40,445.80	246,217.50	35,629.68	
Surplus/Depreciation	6,000.00		6,000.00	
Total Expenditures	326,415.80	1,583,598.50	239,304.68	10,000.00
Transfer to General Fund	175.00	18,000.00	6,000.00	
Transfer to Water Fund				
Transfer to Reserves			23,500.00	
Total Expenditures and Transfers	326,590.80	1,601,598.50	268,804.68	10,000.00

Passed and adopted this 29th day of September 2025.

CITY OF WESSINGTON SPRINGS

By: _____ ATTEST: _____
 Ryan Knipfer - Mayor Linda Willman
 (SEAL)

Councilman Voting Aye: Fagerhaug, Fastnacht, Maxwell, Tobin, Vaske

Councilman Voting Nay: None

First Reading: September 3rd, 2025

Second Reading: September 29th, 2025

Published: October 15th, 2025

Effective Date: November 3rd, 2025

Vaske motioned, seconded by Fagerhaug to pay the bill to Artic Refrigeration in the amount of \$463.99 for the damage to the ice maker due to the water being shut off on the 2nd Street project. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 M/C

The Council was notified that Heartland grant submitted by the Finance Officer for the City Hall Air Conditioning was funded for the amount of \$5,000.00.

Fastnacht moved with Tobin seconding to adjourn. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

 Ryan Knipfer, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
 Linda Willman, Finance Officer

