

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** Corridon called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call:**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Alderson Ben Corridon	P	Scott Kriebs, Municipal Services Director
Alderson Lita Droster	A	Dale Roberts, Public Works Foreperson
Alderson Abbey Barnes	P	Brian Berquist, Town & Country Engineering

- 3. Motion to Approve the Agenda, adding Motion to Recommend to 7A and 7B, moving 9C to after 6, tabling item 10A by Barnes, seconded by Corridon. Motion passed 2-0.**
- 4. Motion to Waive the reading of the minutes of the January 27, 2026 Regular Meeting and Approve them as printed by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 2-0.**
- 5. Civility Reminder:** Corridon issued a reminder that all City Business shall be conducted with civility and decorum.
- 6. Citizen appearances:** None
- 7. New Business:**
 - A. Motion to Recommend to Finance and Labor Relations the Farmland Rental Agreement by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 2-0.**

Kriebs reported that the City had purchased the land and Ken Andrews reached out to see about renting the land to farm it. This would benefit the City to not have to tend to the land.
 - B. Motion to Recommend to Finance and Labor Relations the Daupler Dispatch Agreement through February 10, 2029 by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 2-0.**
 - C. Hail Damage Update:** Kriebs reported that the estimates are approved for the repair work at the WWTP by the insurance company. Destree is still working on the steel roofs.
- 8. Electric & Water Utility**
 - A. Project Updates:** There was discussion about the TDS excavating progress. The DOT is expanding Hwy 14 between Ballard and Butts Corner, so the utility is going to take the opportunity to move all of their overhead equipment to underground. Doudlah Farms also will be building a building that requires a 3-phase for electric. Per the PSC, Doudlah will have to pay for their primary extension. Since they currently have a single phase, the plan is to pay for the additional 2 phases to be extended to their facility. Street light installs continue for Kwik Trip, Cherry Street, and Almeron Street. There has been joint work with TDS to ease costs for Badger/Higgins to move underground. PSC data requests are being worked on to move forward with the rate case.
 - B. Monthly Reports**
 - 1. Electric Reports**

- a. **Usage & Outages:** There were no outages for the month. The usage has increased each year.
- b. **Disconnections:** Disconnection isn't scheduled

2. Water Usage

- a. **Discussion of Water Usage Report:** Kriebs reported that the high-water usage was for a major leak at Baker Manufacturing. The system didn't catch it because it was a 100 cubic feet meter.
- C. **WPPI Energy Report:** Kriebs shared information from Jacobson that the High School was awarded a super grant from WPPI for \$8,000 for energy efficiency projects that need to be completed by the end of 2026. Jacobson recommend adding an additional \$2000 from the VLU funds.

9. Public Works

A. Wastewater Utility

- 1. **Chloride Reduction Program:** Kriebs reported that a meeting with Sergeant hasn't happened yet to try and restructure it moving forward.

B. Stormwater Utility: Nothing to Report

C. City Engineer Report:

Items discussed included: maintenance contract for the Wind Turbine, Longfield Street specs and bidding, spring timeline for paving, last phase for Windmill Ridge, and the next phases for Capstone Ridge and Settler's Grove. Berquist also shared the design plan and reasoning for the new path along the creek.

- D. **Cemetery Report:** Roberts reported that the grave heater that was purchased broke so had to come up with a new way to heat the ground. A culvert was cut in half so that can create a dome to blow propane heat under it. The City has been digging full burials for Holy Cross. As of this week, Tim Magee has decided to retire and not do interments any longer. Roberts feels that this is a good time for the City to remove itself from everything at Holy Cross. Holy Cross is not in our fee schedule and has been done as a favor up until now.

- E. **Parks and Recreation Report:** Corridon shared that the Ice Age Trail would like to install a kiosk to bring attention to the Ice Age Trail. Roberts reported that they are working on ordering a new pier.

10. Old Business

- ~~A. Revisit flood concerns for new path along the creek~~

11. Next Meeting Dates:

- A. March 31, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.
- B. 2026: April 28, May 26, June 30, July 28, August 25, September 29, October 27 at 5:00 p.m. and December 3 at 3:00 p.m.

- 12. **Adjourn:** Corridon adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.