

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ROTHSAY CITY HALL
APPROVED MINUTES
July 7th, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

- 1.0 Call to Order:** The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Shane Balken at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present: Heather Weber, Daryl Schleeter, Matthew Balken, and Nathan Ziegler. Others present: Amanda Kuschel, Jordan Barry, Ken Rhodes, Evy Rhodes, Julie Larson, Misty Boots, Ben Schierer, and Darrell Tollefson.
- 2.0 Public Forum:** No public Forum.
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda:** A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried.
- 4.0 Approval of Consent Agenda:**
- **Approval of June Meeting Minutes**
 - **Approval of June Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable**
 - **Committee Reports**
 - **EDA Minutes and Report**
 - **Rothsay Fire Department**
 - **Employee Reports**
- A **MOTION** to approve was made by Weber, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried.
- 5.0 Committee, EDA, Fire, and Employee Action Items:**
- 5.1 FD/Donation/Fire Hall payment:** Donation amount of \$61,000.00 to go towards the fire hall payment. A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried.
- 5.2 Moore Engineering Payment Plan:** One payment to be made after the 1st of the year. A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Ziegler. Carried.
- 5.3 Council Statement of Appreciation:** Weber would like the council to make a statement of appreciation to the community for all the volunteers and help after the storm damage over Prairie Days weekend. Weber will write a statement and post it on social media and the website.
- 5.4 REC Fencing and Seating:** Bring to the August council meeting.
- 5.5 Committee Report Reps:** Discussion on new council committee reps.
- 6.0 NEW BUSINESS:**
- 6.1 West Central Initiative:** Schierer presented to the council the new programs offered.
- 6.2 East Park Electrical:** Ziegler to plan and present it to the council.
- 6.3 Spring Clean-Up:** Public Hearing set for September 8th at 6:30 pm.
- 6.4 Wage Negotiation/Budget Meeting Dates:** Meeting set for August 11th at 6:00 pm.
- 6.5 Vacant City Land/New Land Purchase:**
- The Rhodes approached the council to purchase the vacant lot on 2nd St NW. The council approved a purchase price of \$10,000 for the property. Rhodes is to come to the council with a decision. A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried.
 - Balken to talk with the city attorney regarding the rodeo grounds. Also, reach out to Holland for a realtor.
 - New land purchase came in at \$12,000.00 an acre. Have a study done on the land and rodeo grounds, complete.
- 6.6 Ordinance 2.05B:** Post new updates of ordinance and bring to the August meeting.
- 6.7 Time Capsule:** Bring it to the next EDA meeting.
- 7.0 Old Business:**
- 7.1 Zoning Map:** Revisit the zoning map and correct errors. A Public Hearing is set for August 11th at 6:30 pm.
- 7.2 Rothsay Regional Report:** Bring to the August meeting, a discussion on other options.
- 7.3 Clean-Up Letters:** Send the list of non-compliant residents to the city attorney.
- 7.4 Memorial Monument:** Possible new placement at East Park.
- 8.0 Mayor/Council Reports:**
- 9.0 Adjourn:** A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Schleeter, seconded by Ziegler, and carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:38 pm.

Respectfully Transcribed by,

Amanda Kuschel,
City Clerk/Treasurer