

**CITY OF FLANDREAU
1005 W. Elm Avenue
Flandreau, SD 57028-1404**

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Tuesday, February 17th, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 17th, at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 1005 W. Elm Avenue, Flandreau, SD.

Present: Mayor Dan Sutton. Aldermen: Curt Ahlers, Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Karen Tufty and Tim Yeaton. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist; Deputy Finance Officer Crystal Hanson; City Attorney Matthew Tysdal.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Tufty and seconded by Yeaton to adopt the proposed agenda. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ahlers to approve the **Consent Agenda** to include the minutes of February 2nd, 2026, and to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll of 2/4/2026: general, 33,508.57; water, 3,931.86; electric, 7,861.55; sewer, 3,931.85. (27630) AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 201.52; Ahlers Automotive, repairs, 25.00; Amaril Uniform Company, safety clothing, 264.95; Andy Wede, personal expense reimbursed, 250.00; AT & T Mobility, FPD/EMS air cards/mifi, 299.01; Avera Flandreau Hospital, EMS supplies/lab collection, 329.08; Avera Occupational Medicine, DOT labs, 185.20; Axon Enterprise, contract/agreement, 10,850.40; Bender Sewer and Drain, LLC, repairs, 1,272.00; Big Sioux Community Water System, water purchases, 16,629.28; Bluepeak, substation phone, 52.68; Booster Publishing, publishing/ads, 250.00; Border State Electric Supply, wire, 9,671.20; Bound Tree Medical, LLC, EMS supplies, 536.84; C & R Fire Suppression, inspections/supplies, 4,745.65; Cardmember services, supplies/travel/conf, 3,769.72; Century Business Products, Kyocera copier lease, 532.64; Cintas, rugs/linens/first aid, 483.91; City of Sioux Falls, water tests, 52.74; Cybercoach, Inc., repairs/comp. upgrades, 4,775.74; Dakota Pump & Control, Inc., repairs, 905.00; Ditch Witch Undercon, repairs, 209.94; Duininck Inc., supplies, 1,456.00; Ekern Home Equipment, Inc., repairs, 109.90; Flandreau Volunteer Fire Department, 2025 4th Qt compensation, 2,720.00; FSST, 2025 solar credit, 526.75; GOSCMA, 2026 dues, 150.00; GreatAmerica Financial Services, Toshiba copier lease, 177.92; Heidepriem, Purtell, Siegel, Hinrichs & Tysdal, LLP, professional fees, 883.50; Heiman Inc., repairs, 893.85; Helms & Associates, airport land acquisition, 470.00; Jacob Pulscher, personal expense reimbursed, 18.04; K & K Insurance Group, Inc., 2026 Blue Teal Baseball Insurance, 300.00; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., EMS supplies, 33.10; Maynards of Flandreau, supplies, 1,120.22; Metron-Farnier, LLC, water meters cell plan, 4,770.00; MidAmerican Energy, gas bills, 4,653.61; Missouri River Energy Services, AMI meter count/monthly fee, 392.20; Moody County Enterprise, publishing/ads, 285.51; Office Peeps, Inc., supplies, 88.07; Ottertail Power Company, airport electricity, 288.18; PCC Ambulance Billing Service, Jan. 2026 billing, 147.19; Pitney Bowes – Purchase Powers, postage refill, 350.00; Randy Wilts, BES rebate, 25.00; River’s

Edge Cooperative, gas/oil/supplies, 1,762.94; SD Public Assurance Alliance, 2026 property insurance, 162,084.36; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, supplemental retirement, 100.00; Sewer Equipment Co of America, repairs, 214.64; Sioux Valley Energy, electricity, 183.00; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies/repairs, 315.41; Transunion Risk and Alternative, dues/subscriptions, 120.00; Valley Fibercom, phones/internet, 914.58; Verizon Wireless, phones/iPad/jet pack, 139.49; Waxdahl Napa Plus LLC, supplies, 1,975.24; WESCO Receivables Corp, supplies, 830.90 (27687). The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Visitors to Be Heard: None

Mayor Sutton reported that the Legislative Cracker Barrel was well attended, and topics discussed included property tax, education funding, and privacy laws.

City Administrator Turnquist reported that no applications have been received for the Aquatic Center Manager position to date and encouraged interested individuals to submit applications. Turnquist also provided updates on the water and sewer project area, as well as the ambulance renovation project.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve the Administrator's Reports. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Boys and Girls Club Early Childhood Enrichment Center Update was presented by CEO Jody Shaw Hernandez.

City Staff has been in contact with representatives from Boys and Girls Club about the possibility of taking over the city's summer recreation program. Boys and Girls Club Summer Recreation Program Unit Director Keilani Klimczuk gave a presentation on how the program would run under the Club.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Tufty to approve the Boys and Girls Club to manage the Summer Recreation Program with the contribution of all City equipment along with \$5,000 subsidy. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The First Reading of Ordinance 638 was held, which would amend the airport manager and airport board process. Ordinance 638 would allow for indefinite appointment of airport board members with one of the five members being an ex-officio City Alderman. No council action was taken, and the second reading of Ordinance 638 will take place on March 2nd, 2026.

The First Reading of Ordinance 639 was held, which would establish the cemetery committee. The Flandreau Cemetery Committee will consist of three to four appointed members, including one member of the city council. The cemetery committee would help oversee cemetery operations. No council action was taken, and the second reading of Ordinance 639 will take place on March 2nd, 2026.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to approve the proposal from IMEG Engineering for on-call engineering services for a fee of \$8,000. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: None.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator