

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
March 2nd, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on March 2nd, 2026, 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; Finance Officer Lori Kneebone; and City Attorney Matthew Tysdal.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers 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 Yeaton and seconded by Tufty to approve the **Consent Agenda** to include the minutes of February 17th, 2026, and to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll of 2/18/2026: general, 31,448.77; water, 3,681.24; electric, 7,619.54; sewer, 3,681.27. (27688) Chapman, Guy S., utility refund, 86.05; Cyprex Services LLC, utility refund, 100.00. (27690) Amaril, clothing/uniforms, 181.97; Amazon Capital Services, EMS supplies, 4,639.76; Automatic Building Controls, armory/cc annual inspection, 806.00; Beck Motors, Inc., electric dept. pick-up, 50,376.00; Betty Von Eye, Medicare reimbursement; 202.90; Bound Tree Medical, LLC., EMS supplies, 2,738.70; Boys & Girls Club of Moody County, 2026 Summer Rec subsidy, 5,000.00; Cenex Fleetcard, FPD & EMS gas/oil, 1,716.81; Dale Eng, Comm. Center deposit reimbursed, 250.00; Delta Dental, dental insurance, 1,416.80; Ekern Home Equipment, Inc., repairs/EMS capital outlay, 457.51; Eng Services, contract/agreement, 15,258.67; Granicus, contract/agreement, 5,337.45; Helms & Associates, airport land acquisition assistance, 330.00; IIA Lifting Services, truck safety inspections, 1,338.90; SRF water #24/SRF sewer #11 payments, 7,810.00; Jaymar, EMS supplies, 187.63; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc., EMS supplies, 139.69; MidAmerican Energy, armory gas bill, 811.64; Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center, dues/subscriptions, 100.00; Pictometry International Corp., 2026 pictometry payment, 4,000.00; Pitney Bowes Inc., postage supplies, 74.69; Plunkett's Pest Control, rodent control, 148.02; Principal Life Insurance Company, vision insurance, 157.98; Ramsdell R&M Ltd., airport propane, 568.01; SD Retirement System, Feb. 2026 contributions/Jan. 2026 shortage contributions, 16,667.66; Standard Insurance Company, life insurance, 549.61; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies/repairs, 246.45; Tyler Technologies, Inc., contract/agreement, 31,773.82; Waxdahl Napa Plus LLC, supplies, 140.58; WESCO Receivables Corp., supplies, 3,672.00 (27720). February 2026 EFT's: Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 21,106.36; City of Flandreau, city bills, 8,628.15; EFTPS, payroll taxes, 27,517.25; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 182,821.37; Postmaster, postage for utility billing, 490.93; SD State Treas, sales tax, 13,082.22; US Dept. of Agriculture, water/sewer payment, 21,487.00. The following members voted aye:

Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Visitors to Be Heard: None.

There was no report by the Mayor.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist reported that the City Office will be closed Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th for the Easter holiday. Residents who wish to appear before the Local Board of Equalization to appeal their property assessment must have their appeal forms turned into the City Office by Thursday, March 12th. The Local Board of Equalization will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16th in the city council chambers, prior to the city council meeting. The City of Flandreau is still accepting applications for a police officer and a full-time EMT, along with an Aquatic Center Manager, lifeguards and other seasonal workers. Please see the employment tab on the city's website for more information or call the city office.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Tufty 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: The Second Reading of Ordinance 638 was held, which amends the airport manager and board. Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to approve Ordinance 638. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Second Reading of Ordinance 639 was held, which establishes a Cemetery Board. Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Yeaton to approve Ordinance 639. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

New Business: Mayor Sutton read a proclamation declaring March as Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood (SUDC) Month. Tyler Wallert, Erika Lee and family presented information to the council about the SUDC Foundation, which raises awareness about unexplained deaths in children. The lights on the city office will be blue and yellow in honor of SUDC Awareness Month.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Tufty to authorize the Mayor to sign the Right of Way and Utility Certification documents provided by Banner Engineering for the Recreational Trail Project. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: At this time, no formal start date has been determined for the continuation of the water and sewer project, with scheduling subject to weather-related factors.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator