

**CITY OF FLANDREAU
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Flandreau Dam Revitalization Committee Meeting Minutes

The Flandreau Dam Revitalization Committee of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota met on Thursday, August 15th, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the south side of the Flandreau Dam.

Members present were: City Administrator Cohl Turnquist, Finance Officer Lori Kneebone, Mayor Dan Sutton, Alderman Karen Tufty, Public Works Director Tanner Harris, Assistant Public Works Director Chase Amdahl, City Employee Jacob Pulscher, Scott Ramsdell, Dean Elverud, Roger Janssen, Francis Wakeman, and Don Peters. Absent: Alderman Mark Ekern.

Mission Statement:

Revitalize the Flandreau Dam area to facilitate beautification, recreational opportunity, improve access and increase safety.

Discussion points:

Public Works Director Tanner Harris informed the group that city staff has been cleaning up the south side of the dam by breaking up concrete and adding riprap in an attempt to build up the point. City crews plan to continue working on hauling concrete to the site of the dam to use in future clean up and repair efforts.

Committee member Roger Janssen suggested tree removal as one of the next steps in the clean-up effort. Janssen will mark trees that he feels should be removed and City Crews will work on tree removal throughout the remaining summer months and into the fall.

Administrator Cohl Turnquist will look into safety signage that can be placed on both the south and north sides of the dam. Discussion was had on building up the berm on the south side with concrete or other materials. Local contractors will be consulted to ensure proper strategies are followed.

Other discussions on the south side of the dam:

Adding galvanized steps or concrete steps down to the water.

Fixing the berm by possible adding a concrete slab to provide a stable foundation for people to stand on.

Placing some sort of safety railing and/or fence along the concrete wall.

Boat and/or kayak access

All in attendance agree that revitalizing the Flandreau Dam will be a multi-phase process. The first phase will focus on concrete work around the point and tree removal.

The committee plans to meet again in early October.

Lori Kneebone
Finance Officer
City of Flandreau