

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
December 1st, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Monday, December 1st, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 1005 W. Elm Avenue, Flandreau, SD.

Present-Aldermen: Curt Ahlers, Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Karen Tufty and Tim Yeaton. Absent: Mayor Dan Sutton. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist; Finance Officer Lori Kneebone; City Attorney Matthew Tydsal.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brad Bjerke at 6:30 p.m.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Fargen and seconded by Tufty 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 Ahlers to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the minutes of November 17th, 2025, and to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll, 11/26/25: general, 25,362.65; water, 1,268.14; electric, 7,668.79; sewer, 3,193.35; solid waste, 242.86. (27396) Axon Enterprise, Inc. FPD contract/agreement, 3,195.00; Betty Von Eye, medical insurance, 185.00; Bobcat of Brookings, supplies, 588.98; Cenex Fleetcard, FPD gas, 1,453.73; Chesterman Company, water, 33.40; CINTAS, rugs/linens, 694.84; Delta Dental of South Dakota, dental insurance, 1,263.10; Eng Services, contract/agreement, 15,424.20; First Rate Excavate Inc., excise tax, 255.64; FSST, utility taxes, 653.21; Hawkins, Inc., supplies, 20.00; Joselyn C Silva, Comm. Center deposit reimbursement, 250.00; JP Cooke Company, pet tags, 93.95; Kristen Ahlers, BES rebate, 25.00; Krull's Garage, repairs, 1,409.82; Metron-Farnier, LLC, water meter antennas, 173.96; MidAmerican Energy, gas bills, 324.25; Office Peeps, Inc., supplies, 152.63; Principal Life Insurance Company, vision insurance, 144.42; Pye Barker Fire & Safety, Comm. Center & Armory inspections, 734.50; SD DOH Public Health Laboratory, water testing, 187.00; SD Retirement System, retirement contributions, 12,665.94; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, animal control, 190.00; Standard Insurance Company, life insurance, 503.41; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies, 82.94; Tri-State Title, LLC, title payment, 2,378.50; Waxdahl Napa Plus, LLC, supplies, 255.34 (27422). Beltran, Jose, utility deposit reimbursement, 31.09 (27423). Kalenga, Hortense Lukusa, utility deposit reimbursement, 18.25 (27424). Christensen, Gary, utility deposit reimbursement, 46.17 (27425). Koller, Lori, utility deposit reimbursement, 88.50 (27426). November 2025 EFT's: Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 16,363.72; City of Flandreau, city bills, 7,285.31; EFTPS, payroll taxes, 21,333.62; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 127,192.21; Postmaster, postage for utility billing, 496.55; SD State Treas, sales tax, 11,826.86; 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.

Mayor's Report: None.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist informed the council that the Holiday Parade has been rescheduled for Saturday, December 6th at 6:00 P.M. The city council and city staff will have a Christmas Party on December 15th at 5:00 P.M. prior to the regular council meeting. City staff, along with IMEG Engineering and representatives from H & W Contracting, will be meeting with Our Saviors Lutheran Church to discuss project updates and winter maintenance concerns.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Fargen 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: The First Reading of Ordinance 635 was held, which would implement a 6% increase to the water volume rates beginning in 2026. This is part of a three-year series of adjustments to water rates. No council action was taken, and the Second Reading of Ordinance 635 will be held on December 15th, 2025.

The First Reading of Ordinance 636 was held, which will supplement the city's 2025 general fund budget by \$132,000. No council action was taken, and the Second Reading of Ordinance 636 will be held on December 15th, 2025.

Motion by Tufty and seconded by Ahlers to approve SRF Pay Requests for the Utility Improvement Project; Sewer No. 8 (\$38,800) and Water No. 21 (\$27,510). 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 emergency medical services personnel and procedures manual. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve the updated renewable energy certificate management contract with WAPA and MRES. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: None.

The Council President declared the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Brad Bjerke
Council President

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator