

Mayor Kletscher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll showed Councilpersons Ross, DeGross, Kraft, Buhr and Stoner were present. Absent was Councilperson Schone. Also present were CT LaBeree, Police Chief Joel Klatt, Fire Chief Greg Holden, Ambulance Director Julie Lee, Public Works Director Dave Caress, Library Director Rochel Karlson, Lynn McIntyre from Cedar Corp, Carlton Dewitt, Angela Jeske, Mike Barstad, Kristin Barstad, David Olson, Jason LaBeree, Mark Smith, Todd Daniels, John Lindelof, Carrie Klatt, Jacob Maes, Kathy Standaert, Amy Groves and Dave Cobb.

Ross moved and Kraft seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Voice vote carried.

Ross moved and Stoner seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2026 Regular meeting. Voice vote showed all councilpersons present voting yes.

Kraft moved and DeGross seconded a motion to approve all presented disbursements. Roll call vote showed all councilpersons present voting yes.

In public comments, Angela Jeske indicated that she submitted an open records request to find out who was making the open records requests for the images on the camera at Hinman Park. Discussions were held on whether the city was charging for the open records requests. She is concerned about the time the police department is spending in the office rather than being out on patrol. Mayor Kletscher ended the public comments as he spoke about cameras that the City would love to have down at the park to monitor the City property, but at this time it didn't make sense to have them up.

No representative for summer rec was in attendance so no report was given.

A verbal report was given by Library Director Rochel Karlson.

Public Works Director Caress spoke about the continuing road construction going on in the city.

A written report was submitted by Police Chief Klatt.

Chief Holden reported that the new fire truck is officially in service. He discussed that the International Tender is leaking and is a non-fix issue. Eventually the truck will need to be replaced. In his researching, used tenders are selling for anywhere between \$80,000 - 100,000.

Ambulance Director Lee reported that they are continuing to cover services for Boyceville. So far, they have brought in about \$6,500 in revenue for doing so. She also noted that they were gearing up for coverage at the fair.

The Clerk-Treasurer's office reported that she received notice of another Cybersecurity grant award. This one is from the Wisconsin Election Committee and is in the amount of \$2,000 total, which could help cover the cost of the server upgrade that is needed.

Mayor Kletscher said that the city will be paying out on some upcoming unemployment payments as a previous employee has recently filed. He also discussed the road construction happening in the city and noted that the stoplights have finally come down and the road is fully opened back up around the Oak Street bridge.

Discussion of the speed limit on Magnolia Drive was held. Community member, Mark Smith, noted that he sees many people well exceeding the speed limit every day. He states that it is more frequent at certain times of the day. He is very concerned as there are a lot of children that play up in that area. He is hoping the city could reduce the speed limit to 15 mph on that road. After much discussion, it was finally decided that the city would put the speed bumps out that used to be in the city hall parking lot to try to slow traffic down.

Kraft moved and Stoner seconded a motion to approve new and renewal 2026-2027 Liquor, Tobacco and Operator's License applications. Voice vote carried with all councilpersons present voting yes.

DeGross moved and Stoner seconded a motion to approve a Class "B" picnic license and Temporary Operator's License application for the St. Croix County Fair for July 15 – 19, 2026 and the St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo August 21 & 22, 2026. Voice vote carried with all councilpersons present voting yes.

Ross moved and DeGross seconded a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report. Voice vote carried.

DeGross moved and Stoner seconded a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-03 amending Chapter 360 Article 1 of the State required recycling regulations. Voice vote carried.

Ross moved and Kraft seconded a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-04 Amending Emergency Management. Voice vote carried.

Discussion was held on funds for National Night out. Chief Klatt indicated that they were hoping to get \$300 for a bounce house for the event. Mayor Kletscher noted that there was money somewhere in the budget that could be used for that and that it did not need council approval.

Ross moved and Kraft seconded a motion to approve the Street Closure of West Oak Street for Rustic Lore. Voice vote carried.

DeGross moved and Stoner seconded a motion approving the Municipal Building parking lot parking during the St. Croix County Fair, July 16-19th for the Rustic Lore Committee fundraiser. Voice vote carried.

Stoner moved and Kraft seconded a motion approving a city donation to the Rustic Lore committee of \$2,000. Voice carries.

Kraft moved and Stoner seconded a motion approving the suspension of the Open Beverage Ordinance on W. Oak Street during Rustic Lore days. Voice vote carried.

Discussions were held on transferring land within Tourist Park in exchange for Misty Lane land and the City Ballpark land. Pieces of land that the city uses lie within two different parcels owned by Mike and Kristin Barstad. It was proposed that in exchange for those two pieces of land which total one acre, a one-acre section of Tourist Park would be surveyed by Mike and Kristin Barstad to be transferred into their possession. One concern brought up was that the portion of land Barstad's would like, would possibly take the driveway portion of the park. A motion was made by Ross to do the land exchange of one acre of tourist park, with an easement for a driveway, in exchange for the two sections needed by the city to make their parcels whole without easements, with surveying costs being covered by Barstad's. Motion was seconded by Kraft. Voice vote carries.

Discussions were held on the Cleaning Fee increase for the municipal building. Cleaning fees will be going up on July 1, 2026 per an email from Ashley Englebretson. The weekly cleaning fee will increase from \$150 to \$200, and the community room will increase from \$40 per cleaning, done twice monthly, to \$60 per cleaning. This item will be tabled for future discussion and action as Mayor Kletscher would like to have a meeting with Ashley and Clerk-Treasurer LaBeree.

A motion was made by Kraft and seconded by Ross to hold off on any replacements or lease renewals for a new copier for the City Clerk's office. The current copier is still functioning with no issues. This topic will be brought back to the table when a replacement is needed. Voice vote carried.

Discussion was briefly held on the IT proposals. The City is still waiting to hear back from Egrants on the amount of the grant. Once that amount is known, future discussions will be held.

At 8:29 p.m. DeGross moved and Buhr seconded a motion to adjourn. Voice vote carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin LaBeree
Clerk-Treasurer