

City Council Meeting
October 6, 2025
City Office at 7pm

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Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7pm. Council Members present were Larson, Grundstrom, Weimer, T. Van Camp, Nelson and Halcrow. City employees present were DeGeldere, Mattice and Misialek.

Mayor Olson opened up the public comments section to the one resident that completed a speaker card, which was Kristi Quibell. Ms. Quibell brought her questions regarding the Infrastructure Project and upcoming special vote regarding a new 2% sales and use tax to be used for the project and maintenance. Dylan Ensrude from Moore Engineering shared changes in funding and in the project that have occurred since the Public Information Meeting that was held in January. Mr. Ensrude assured Ms. Quibell that at least one public information meeting will be held prior to the special vote. The date for that meeting will be November 18, 2025 at 7pm at the Johnson Hall Community Center.

Mayor Olson moved on from the Public Comment Period to Mr. Ensrude who presented the updated timeline of actions that need to be addressed including the four resolutions that need to be approved tonight. These are:

1. Resolution Directing Engineer to Prepare Report
2. Resolution Approving Engineer's Report
3. Resolution Creating Improvement District NO. 2025-1 -Sewer, Water, and Street Improvements of the City of Drayton, North Dakota
4. Resolution Declaring Work Necessary for an Improvement in Sewer, Water and Street Improvement District NO. 2025-1

Motion was made by Larson, seconded by Grundstrom, all in favor of approving all four resolutions.

The Special Election Vote to implement a new 2% sales and use tax will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at the City Office from 7am to 9pm. Notice of Election and sample of the ballot language will be published on October 9 & 16, 2025 in Valley News and Views.

An email sent by BNSF was discussed. They wanted the City of Drayton to pay \$51,200 toward a surface replacement project on West Grant. The council was all in agreement that this is a BNSF project and there is no need for the City of Drayton to contribute to their project.

Chief Mattice presented his September report of calls and assured them that for the first couple of weeks of beet harvest that he would have an increased presence on patrol. He informed them that he had applied for the “Back the Blue” grant again this year.

DeGeldere presented a quote from ND Sewage Pump for replacing the gate valves and the check valves on the main lift station. These valves are about 20 year old and getting to the point where they are not going to open or close. The quoted amount to remove and install is \$17,610. Motion to approve having this work done was made by Grundstrom, seconded by T. Van Camp, all in favor. DeGeldere also presented the quote from Rock’s Electric regarding installing automatic transfer switches in two lift stations and wiring four auto starts for generators totaling \$25,190.00 and the second quote from Rock’s Electric regarding rotating the control panels on two of the lift stations at a cost of \$8500.00 each. DeGeldere was asked to get quotes from another electrician also.

DeGeldere updated the council that the line to the water plant has now been capped. Next steps need to be determined on dismantling the water plant. He will check with the state on what those steps might be and then get a cost.

Misialek presented an event permit for Purse Bingo on Oct 25, 2025. Motion to approve this permit was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Grundstrom, all in favor. Misialek presented a quote from Indigo Signs to repair the digital sign in the amount of \$2150-\$2350. Motion was made by Grundstrom, seconded by Weimer, all in favor to repair the sign.

Two properties have been bought and demolished by Kevin Pierce. A motion was made by Grundstrom, seconded by Larson, that once construction begins on one of the properties, the city will forgive any past utility bills owed, with Grundstrom, Larson, T. Van Camp, Nelson and Halcrow voting yes, Weimer voting no. Motion passed.

Motion to approve September minutes was made by T. Van Camp, seconded by Weimer, all in favor.

Vendor Bills:

Axon \$3,624.00; Blawat \$1,850.00; Countrywide Sanitation \$3,302.04; Ewing Oil \$404.35; Ferguson Enterprises \$1,832.96; Halcrow's \$1,039.02; Kilmer Construction \$2,555.00; ND Sewage Pump \$925.00; Northern Nature Seed \$159.38; Otter Tail \$23.62; PIP Repair \$35.00; Scott's Sporting Goods \$360.00; Vestis \$102.01;

Motions to approve bills was made by Nelson, seconded by T. Van Camp, all in favor.

Next meeting will be on November 10, 2025 at 7pm at City Office.

Motion to adjourn was made by Grundstrom, seconded by T. Van Camp, all in favor.

Charles Olson, Mayor

Sonia Misialek, City Auditor