

**CITY OF KANDIYOHI
MEETING OF COUNCIL
OCTOBER 20, 2025**

The Kandiyohi City Council held their regular meeting on Monday, October 20, 2025, at the City Hall/Civic Center located at 432 Atlantic Avenue Kandiyohi, MN 56251. Present were Mayor Jon Lindstrand; Council Members Spencer Hunt, Scott McGillivray, Toby Giese, and Jeff Clark; Public Works Supervisor, Brandon Huls; and City Clerk/Treasurer, Julie Woltjer; Absent: Fire Chief Jamie Swanson.

Mayor Lindstrand called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Meeting Guests: Jon Pauna from Moore Engineering, Brandon Freudenrich from Eagle Construction, and Matt Fuchs from Kandiyohi Fire Relief Association.

Pledge of Allegiance

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Approval of October 6, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

Approval of Claims List(Payments) October 20, 2025

Department Reports: September 2025 Water Report

- Gallons of Fresh Water Pumped 794,000
- Gallons of Wastewater Pumped 1,302,000

Council Member Giese motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Council Member Clark seconded the motion, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

No New Items.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Center Park: Mayor Lindstrand mentioned that the Community Club might be willing to contribute to a shelter replacement for Center Park. Public Works Supervisor Huls is working on getting replacement quotes from contractors.

Street Sweeper: Council Member Giese motioned to authorize the purchase of a replacement street sweeper for an amount not to exceed \$10,000, including transportation costs and the buyer's fee, with final approval by the Mayor. The purchase was authorized due to the age and condition of the existing equipment. Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Department Relief Association: Fire Relief Association Treasurer Fuchs was present to discuss the deferred relief association member interest rate. The relief association members voted to keep the interest rate at 0% for 2026 as in previous years. Council Member Hunt motioned to accept the relief association's election to maintain an interest rate of 0%. Council Member Clark seconded the motion; motion passes with Council Member Giese abstaining.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussed Eagle Construction Extension Phase 1 Contract B Water Tower under new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Moore Engineering/USDA RD Update: Additional soil borings were completed in preparation for construction of the water tower foundation.

Eagle Construction: Brandon, owner of Eagle Construction informed the Council that the subcontracted water tower builder, General Construction Services, experienced internal

issues—including employee terminations and financial difficulties—approximately two weeks after the bid award and is now going out of business.

Eagle Construction contacted multiple contractors, and Maguire Iron was the only company able to complete the tower construction; however, their proposal includes a one-year delay from the original substantial completion date of September 2026 and an additional cost of \$240,000. Eagle Construction has requested a change order to extend the project completion date to November 2027.

Jon from Moore Engineering confirmed that the change order will require approval from USDA Rural Development (RD), which is currently delayed due to the federal government shutdown.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve initiating the change order time extension request, pending approval from USDA RD and the City Attorney. Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mayor Lindstrand called for a voice vote: Clark – Yes, Hunt – Yes, McGillivray – Yes and Giese – Yes, Motion carried.

Building Services Agreement: Council Member Hunt motioned to approve renewing the Building Services Agreement with the City of Willmar for the period of 2 Years January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027, and to Authorize Mayor Lindstrand and Clerk/Treasurer Woltjer to Sign Approved Agreement. Council Member Giese seconded the motion. Mayor Lindstrand called for a voice vote: Giese – Yes, Clark – Yes, McGillivray – Yes and Hunt. Motion carried.

Council Wages: Council Member Giese motioned to increase council member wages to the Minnesota Minimum Wage Rate that will adjust with Minnesota Minimum Wage increases starting with the first Payroll after January 1, 2026. Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Mayor Lindstrand called for a voice vote: McGillivray – Yes, Hunt – Yes, Clark – Yes and Giese - Yes. Motion carried.

Employee Reviews: Reviews were held after Announcements so that the meeting could be closed to the public per MN Statute 13D.05 Subdivision 3.

Council Member McGillivray motioned to approve a 4% wage increase for Public Works Supervisor Huls and Clerk/Treasurer Woltjer, effective for payroll beginning October 23, 2025. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Giese motioned to authorize an annual payout of accrued sick time in excess of 520 hours, including the following year's front-loaded amount. Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No New Announcements

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Giese motioned to adjourn at 8:23 PM, Council Member Hunt seconded the motion. No objections were made, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Woltjer, MCMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Claims List(Payments):

Anderson, Larson, Klassen	Attorney Fees	\$232.00
GLSSWD	August Sewer Processing	\$20,126.74
Dakota Supply Group	AMI Reader/Support/Training	\$9,615.00
Hawkins	Chlorine	\$30.00
Kandiyohi County Auditor	Annual Poll Pad Maintenance	\$265.00
MN PEIP	Employee Insurance	\$3,877.34
MN Revenue	Employee Taxes	\$388.81
NCPERS	Employee Paid Taxes	\$32.00
National League of Cities	Annual Membership	\$318.00
Payroll	10-9-25	\$1,462.35
PERA	10-9-25	\$259.75
Payroll	10-16-25	\$1,773.13
PERA	10-16-25	\$318.71
Van Der Bill Farms	Fuel Tank/Pump	\$600.00
US Treasury	Employment Taxes	\$2,184.56
West Central Sanitation	Refuse Collection	\$189.22
X-cel Energy	City Gas	\$24.02
Total Expenditures		\$41,696.63

City Portion of Fire Department Expenditures

\$539.34