**CITY OF NERSTRAND, MINNESOTA**

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**July 8th 2025**

**7:00p.m.**

**221 Main Street, Nerstrand**

**1. Call to Order/Pledge Allegiance**

**2. Roll Call:** Slight delay in John's arrival but he made it. All others in attendance.

**3. Approval of Agenda:** Motioned by Betty and seconded by Karla Ingersoll and all approved.

**4. Consent Agenda:** Motioned by John Harris and seconded by Karla Ingersoll and all approved.

(All items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and have been made available to the City Council in advance of the meeting. The items will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from this agenda and considered in normal sequence.)

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of June 10th, 2025: Motioned by John Harris and seconded by Kalra Ingersoll and all approved.

B. Payment of Claims dated:

1. July 8th, 2025

**5. Clerk’s Report**

1. Clerk asked council if they would like a quarterly newsletter or use stickers on the water bill to send announcements. Council would like newsletters.
2. Council scheduled our Budget meetings for Aug 15th and 16th at 6:30 pm
3. Following up on a request by council: Insurance for $500,000 Liquor Liability is $203 dollars and a $1 million Liquor Liability is $253.00. LMC does not offer a 2 million dollar insurance plan.
4. Water Billing Update: 1 shut off and 3 delinquent accounts.
5. Clerk also presented options on a new office printer and selected to move forward with Loffler. John Harris made the motion and Betty seconded it and all approved.

Motion to accept the clerks report motioned by John Harris and seconded by Pam Caron and all approved.

**6. New Business**

A. Guest Visitors-

1. Mn House of Representatives: Representative Keith Allen

Keith Allen was in attendance. He presented a little about his history, his role at the House of Representatives, the obstacles they are facing and why he wanted to hear about Nerstrand's needs.

2. Bollig- Laura Ostlie

Laura is from Bollig. A company the City of Nerstrand has hired to help find aid for our large projects. She presented on the projects Nerstrand is facing and how residents will be directly affected if we do not receive funding. She presented a flyer that has been shared on our Social media and referenced on our City web page.

B. Citizens Complaints

1. The Garage- A resident has been working on a garage in town. A resident was concerned about the progress. The Clerk checked with Goodhue County and found the resident was compliant in regards to permitting. The Mayor spoke with the resident if he had a timeline for completion. Nothing was stated. The Mayor would like the Zoning and Ordinance Committee to investigate if we can add something in regards to completion of projects for future residential projects.

2. Dust Control north side of town- A resident reached out in regards to the Dust around the Arg Center. The Council requested that the resident reach out to the owner and see if they could come to a resolution.

C. Approve Food Truck- Taco Express Motion by John Harris and seconded by Karla Ingersoll and all approved.

**7. Old Business**

1. Discussion regarding cannabis ordinance-Tabled for the moment. Awaiting further information from resources that have been contacted.
2. Discussion regarding liquor ordinance and permitting- Tabled for the moment. Will send to the lawyer to review for wording and verbage. Will be presented to council soon.
3. Street Paving- Steve brought some quotes on Paving. Council made a motion by Karla Ingersoll and seconded by John Harris and approved by all to move forward with the bid presented by M and W Black toping.
4. Citizen Complaint- Home near the School- Resident has made great improvement. Council has been pleased with the work they are seeing and granted an extension till Sept 1st. The resident had requested this extension. Council was happy to allow it.

**8. Reports of Officers**

1. Public Works Director – Steve McDowell
   1. Technology for PW
      1. Computer- Clerk assisted Steve with equipment selection. Purchasing a laptop for the clerk. The old laptop will be given to PW. In addition, two monitors will be purchased, one going to the clerks and the other to the PW department.
   2. M & W Blacktopping was selected for the Farm Street city project. Motioned by Karla Ingersoll and seconded by John Harris and all approved.
   3. Field rental. The city has a 2.5 acre property near the water treatment that they would like to ask a farmer if they would be interested in renting because their property already touches the property.
2. Mayor –
   1. Fire Hydrant painting requested.
   2. Presented two quotes seeking the removal of trees. Council choose Flom Tree Removal. Motion was made by Karla Ingersoll and seconded by John Harris and all approved.

1. Fire Department – Joe Johnson
   1. 4% budget increase
   2. Radios being donated from another department
   3. Still in need of turn out gear
   4. Additionally, asking a township if they might provide running boards for the new vehicle.
2. Council Members- Move tables, Karla requested that Joe Johnson be appointed the towns Emergency Management Director. Motion was made by Todd and seconded by Karla and all approved. In addition to the new role. He was also tasked with the creation of the Emergency Management Plan.
3. Zoning Committee-Lu was absent.

**9. Other Business**

The clerks requested that we add a date that if items are to be on the agenda they must be received by. Council selected the 1st Thursday of the month.

**10. Adjourn**

**Next City Council Meeting is scheduled for August 12th, 2025, at Nerstrand City Hall**