

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2026
7:00 P.M., CITY HALL

Pursuant to due call and notice, the City Council of the City of Eagle Bend, MN met in regular session on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 6:30 P.M., in City Hall. Mayor Scott Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Council Members present were Jim Kimball, Jaculyn Lorentz, Jessica Olson, and Jason Nelson. Also present were Ashlee Nordlund, Andrea Voller, Clay Sandmeyer, Nick Stoecker, and Lori Johnson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Following a brief review and discussion, (Action 26-01-01) Council Member Lorentz moved to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2025, regular City Council Meeting as written, seconded by Council Member Olson. Motion adopted unanimously.

Bills submitted for approval were reviewed by the City Council. Following a question-and-answer period, (Action 26-01-02) Council Member Olson moved to approve the bills for payment as presented, seconded by Council Member Lorentz. Motion adopted unanimously.

The Council was presented with a Notice of Online Sale of Tax-Forfeited Lands for Parcel number 33-0039600. Council Member Olson stated that if we purchase this parcel then we would have that whole section of land. (Action 26-01-03) Council member Kimball moved to approve the purchase of parcel 33-0039600 if we first check into any liens, etc. on it, seconded by Council Member Lorentz. Motion adopted unanimously.

The Council reviewed and discussed the previous year committee appointments along with a list of active firefighters and what positions are held within the fire department. Following a review of the committee appointments, (Action 26-01-04) Council Member Lorentz moved to approve the following committee appointments for 2026:

Fire Chief	James Olson
Weed Inspector	Jaculyn Lorentz
Assistant Weed Inspector	Jim Kimball
Acting Mayor	Jessica Olson
City Assessor	Todd County Assessor
City Attorney	Quinlivan & Hughes, Todd County Attorney
Health Commissioners	Jason Nelson
Street Commissioners	Jaculyn Lorentz
Fire Commissioners	Jason Nelson
Water & Sewer Commissioners	Scott Johnson
Liquor Commissioners	Jessica Olson
Natural Gas Commissioners	Scott Johnson
Official Depository	Star Bank, Unity Bank East, American Heritage National Bank, Magnifi Financial, American National Bank, Cetera, Viking Savings and Loan, and other financially sound institutions which are in compliance with official depositories.
Civil Defense Director	James Olson
Official News Paper	Benning Printing & Publishing
Safety Commissioner	Jaculyn Lorentz

The above motion was seconded by Council Member Nelson and was adopted unanimously. The Council also reviewed the current list of active Eagle Bend Fire Fighters with the Fire Chief, Secretary, Training Officers-(2), and Administrative Assistant, all being paid \$500.00 each per year.

The City Council reviewed the present rate and fee schedule for the City of Eagle Bend. After reviewing the schedule, (Action 26-01-05) Council Member Lorentz moved to approve the 2026 schedule of rates and fees for the City of Eagle Bend if the following changes were made: that "city organizations" such as the Lions Club, the Fire Department, the Fire Auxiliary, the EBADC, and the museum not be charged for copies, the data request charge is removed from copies and is only under service charges, a letter is sent out to residents every year warning about people soliciting without a license from the city, building permits be only for structural changes/adding on (ordinance to be updated soon), the fees for variance and conditional use permits, where the hearing is held at a special meeting, be set at \$500.00, the city not rent out tables and chairs, the on-sale intoxicating license fee be left at \$100.00, the 1-3 day liquor license fee be left at \$0 but look into businesses having a 7 day a week license, and adding "only after fire department approval" be added to the water tanker fee. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. Motion adopted unanimously.

The December 2025 liquor store and yearly statements were presented to the City Council. The total for the year showed a YTD loss of \$10,247.77. City Administrator Nordlund stated that she is still working with the city auditor on the final numbers. Discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

The Council was presented with a monthly report from the Todd County Sheriff's Office showing calls they handled in 2025.

Administrator Nordlund was approached by Twila Pierce asking if there was a possibility that she could be put on the city payroll either as an employee or independent contractor, to work on Eagle Bend Development Corporation items, so the EBADC does not have to go through setting up payroll. City Administrator Nordlund told the Council that adding her would greatly affect the city's taxes. Discussion was tabled until we could get more details from the EBADC.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, (Action 26-01-06) Council Member Olson moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Council Member Lorentz. Motion adopted unanimously.



Ashlee Nordlund
City Administrator



Scott Johnson
Mayor