

CITY OF DEARY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NOTES
May 15, 2025
Deary City Hall- 401 Line St

Meeting Start time: 7pm

ROLL CALL: Jason Johnson (P), Dan Cochrane (P), Christy Sanderson (P), Eric Sutton (P), Courtney Warner (P), Duane Ney (P) & Sarah Dean (P) Todd Richardson (A)

PUBLIC INPUT: Gabe French reported an abandoned vehicle at 401 Main Street parking lot. Mayor Johnston encouraged him to have it removed.

AGENDA: **In a good-faith movement Action item #4 was reviewed first to allow HMH to present without waiting.*

1. **ACTION ITEM - City Council to APPROVE MINUTES from Regular Council Meeting held on May 9, 2025.** A motion to pass the May 9, 2025, Minutes, as corrected, made by Chairwoman Sanderson. Motion seconded by Chairman Cochrane. All in favor. Motion passed.
2. **ACTION ITEM - City Council to APPROVE INVOICES for May 2025.** A motion to pass the May 2025 Invoices was made by Chairwoman Sanderson. Motion seconded by Chairman Cochrane. All in favor. Motion passed.
3. **ACTION ITEM - City Council to correct a misprint to Ordinance #404, referencing the 2025 budget to match budget amounts.** A motion to correct Ordinance 404 to read as:

#0404 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FY2025
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

GENERAL FUND:
General

General Government	\$ 183,000.00
Public Safety	\$18,000.00
Streets	\$285,700.00
Library and City Hall Repairs	\$1,000.00
Recreation	\$29,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$33,200.00
Contingency	\$50,000.00
Recreation Grant	\$2,000.00
Transferer from Sewer	\$100,000.00
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TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$701,900.00

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Water Fund	\$469,900.00
Sewer Fund	\$314,925.00
Sanitation Fund	\$107,000.00

TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES	\$1,593,725.00
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Motion made by Chairwoman Warner. Motion seconded by Chairwoman Sanderson. Roll call vote: Chairman Sutton -Aye, Chairwoman Warner- Aye, Chairwoman Sanderson- Aye, Chairman Cochrane- Aye. Motion passed.

4. ACTION ITEM - HMM to present on Downtown Revitalization Project.

Laura Cannon and Harrison Holley, representing HMM, presented a slideshow of the Downtown Revitalization Project survey findings and discussed the next steps.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Christy Sanderson: Parks, Sanitation and Library - Chairwoman Sanderson reported that the new City Park bathroom toilet has been ordered and should arrive soon. She has prepared for the Deary High school students to come down and help paint equipment, clean up trash and put together flower boxes. Chairwoman Sanderson reported that T-ball organizers, Dani Jones and Ami Guire, have requested a storage shed be placed on the Nelson field to hold equipment. This request has been approved. This project is their financial responsibility. They are to coordinate with Christy on placement of the shed.

Chairwoman Sanderson reported that she is searching for grants to help replace toy structures at the park. She hopes that by Spring she will have more funding. When budgeting this year, we may need to increase the Parks budget to maintain future equipment.

Dan Cochrane: Water- Chairman Cochrane reported 2 leaks this month that have been approved for 50% water usage forgiveness off their billing.

Eric Sutton: Streets – Chairman Sutton reported that the Hwy Dept will once again be using city water to fill their water trucks.

The city will start grading streets. Water and mag will be put down on the first of June. The asphalt that is crumbling on Montana and Line Street may need to be pulled back and graveled.

Courtney Warner: Sewer – Chairwoman Warner reported that they have added Lagoon probiotics and will shut off the aerators soon. She has asked KME to help construct the new aerators that are at the shop.

Sarah Dean: City Clerk/ Treasurer – Sarah Dean asked council for their opinions on a cyber security review of all Office tech. they suggested getting reviews from this company to check their reputation from past City municipality jobs.

Sarah also asked the Mayor and Council for their opinions of moving car show and opening main street for Deary Days. A prior request for 4 parking spaces in front of the Butcher Shop was granted.

Duane Ney: Maintenance Team – Duane Ney reported that the generator at the lagoon needs repair. Chairwoman Warner agreed and granted permission for all 3 generators to be services.

Duane Ney requested replacement power tool batteries. Request granted.

It was reported that the water tank may be due for service. Sarah Dean to look for last service dates and get info to Duane.

Jason Johnson: Mayor - Mayor Johnson reported that Cole Garrison resigned from the Planning &

Zoning Committee.

Also reported was that all 3 Summer hires will start in June. Kaylee Wood, Jaymond Keen & Allie Vincent.

Todd Richardson: Lawyer – No report

Motion to adjourn meeting by Chairman Cochrane. Motion seconded by Chairwoman Warner. All in favor. Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 8:41 pm.

Mayor, Jason Johnson

Attest: Clerk/Treasurer, Sarah Dean

