

# EMMONS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Date: May 11, 2026

Time: 7:00 pm

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting was called to order by the Mayor Pro-Tem, Jerome Wuerflein at 7:10 pm

## **ATTENDANCE:**

Council Members: Jerome Wuerflein, Neal Honsey, Paul Lair Absent: Eleanor Bauman, Dave Bosma

City Clerk: Lorry Zasada, ISG: Bryan Petzel, Nick Clark

**Approval of the meeting Agenda:** Motion made by Lair to accept the agenda, seconded by Honsey, motion carried 3/0

## **Approval of Minutes from previous meetings – April 13th**

Motion made by Lair to accept the minutes from the previous meeting with correction to council members in attendance, seconded by Honsey, motion carried 3/0

**Financial Reports** were reviewed.

Reconciled Checking Balance: \$61,782.60; Savings & CDs Balance: \$ 1,212,645.45

Receipts: \$1,047,655.02 (UB \$11,050 Int \$2,489; Donations \$4,903; Matured CD \$481,923; Fire Relief Fund \$17,000; 4M Fund City \$480,000; 4M Fund Fire \$31,000, Fire Contracts \$19,259, Park Rent \$50)

Disbursements: \$547,437.30 (General \$492,296 Water \$3,682; Sewer \$17,813; Garbage \$2,469.61; EFD \$31,177

Motion made by Honsey to accept the financial reports as stated, seconded by Lair, motion carried 3/0.

## **Bills Due:**

Total Claims: \$20,055.36

Motion made by Lair to pay the bills, seconded by Honsey, motion carried 3/0.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **ISG – Update**

- Wastewater – First round of comments on the PER have been submitted to Rural Development, report is being updated for final approval. Received comments on the ER and are working on completing those and resubmitting.
- Drinking Water – Updated PPL has been submitted, IUP applications have been resubmitted for all water projects.
- Lead Service Line – IUP application has been resubmitted.

### **Update 250 Year Celebration**

- City has received \$4,550 in sponsorship donations, another \$1,100 is expected
- Thank you cards were signed by the attending council, once the additional council has signed they will be mailed to sponsors along with receipts from their donations.
- Flags for the Car Show have been received and paid for by the city through current donations received

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Malwarebytes 2 Yr Subscription**

Motion made Lair, seconded by Honsey to purchase a 2-year subscription to protect the city's computers. Motion carried 3/0

- **Repair/Replace Sign at Gateway Park**

Motion made by Lair, seconded by Honsey to have Dave Meyer repair the sign, reinforcing it with 4x4s for \$400-\$500. Motion carried 3/0

- **Tax Abatement Issue**

City has a tax abatement resolution written by the City Attorney, Eythan Frandle. The wording of the document is not clear to the three interested parties involved. The Clerk has contacted the City Attorney for clarification of the document so that the City, the School District and Mr. Tidemann all have the same understanding of the terms and intent of the resolution.

- **217 Concord**

The council was appraised of the many resident complaints coming from this property. City can only enforce what our current ordinances cover. The other issues/complaints will be directed to the Albert Lea Police Department.

- **Arrowhead Road & Gateway Park Gravel**

Motion made by Honsey, seconded by Lair to add up to 2" of gravel to the unpaved roads. Council approved gravel to be provided by Carl Yost up to a cost of \$5,000 and Neal will call Freeborn Coop to provide dust control. Motion carried 3/0

**ADJOURNMENT** – motion made by Lair, seconded by Honsey to adjourn the meeting, motion carried 3/0. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Next regular council meeting to be held Monday, June 8th, 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Submitted by:

Lorry Zasada  
Clerk/Treasurer