

Mayor Krump called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on May 4, 2026, at the Hankinson Community Center. Council members present were Bladow, Anderson, Falk, Roeder, Steffens and Post. Others present were Nick Poh and Mike Risky, City of Hankinson; Deputy Keller, Richland County Law Enforcement; Mark Jean and Arnie Althoff, Brightwood Township; Bob Wurl, Hankinson CDC; and Grant Kuper, Bolton & Menk Inc. Others present: Tim Schmidt. Campbell was absent.

Motion by Bladow/Steffens to approve the Board of Equalization meeting minutes from April 6, 2026. Carried.

Motion by Post/Anderson to approve the regular meeting minutes from April 6, 2026. Carried.

Motion by Falk/Anderson to approve the special meeting minutes from April 16, 2026. Carried.

Motion by Bladow/Anderson to accept the March law enforcement report. Carried.

Motion by Steffens/Anderson to accept the April Municipal Judge’s report. Carried.

Schmidt was present to speak about a variance in setbacks on parcel 48-0001-03733.000. Standard industrial setbacks are 60’ on all sides. Setbacks requested are 31’ on south, 10’ on the west and east sides and 55’ on the north side. Building will stay in line with building located on the east of this property.

Post offered Resolution 26-03 Approving Variance of Setbacks of Fort Hankinson Lot 14 Block 3. Second by Bladow. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Jean and Althoff were present to speak about the grass lake drainage issues. Per agreement dated January 2, 2007, the city will cost-share work on this drainage. It was determined the Public Works Department will work on cutting the ditch with the flail mower several times as the water level goes down. An update on this process will be made at the next regular council meeting.

Kuper provided an update on Main Street Drainage Project funding, Hankinson Renewable Energy west well field improvements, 4th Ave Drainage Improvements, ND Highway 11 pedestrian crossing, GIS Application update and ND Highway 11 radar speed signs.

Motion by Bladow/Post to to approve the preliminary engineering report for HRE west well field improvements. Carried.

Bladow offered Resolution 26-04 Creating Improvement District 2026-1 (HRE). Second by Falk. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Post/Falk made a motion to sign an agreement with HRE for repayment of work on the west well field improvements as written, pending confirmation with HRE of no changes. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Motion by Steffens/Anderson to approve the April law enforcement report. Carried.

Roeder/Anderson made a motion to approve the April financial report. Carried.

Falk/Anderson made a motion to accept the April bills for payment, as presented. Carried.

FCCU	\$5,877.16	Mike Risky	\$50.00
FCCU	\$2,287.37	Sean Johnson	\$50.00
Bank Service Fees	\$375.86	Kennedy Campbell	\$50.00
NDPERS	\$3,959.58	Richland County Administration	\$2,900.00
NDPHIT	\$4,739.96	Bolton & Menk Inc	\$7,776.50
City of Hankinson	\$94.28	Electric Pump	\$867.60
Bank of ND	\$21,202.21	Team Lab	\$3,965.50
NDPFA	\$94,583.75	Hankinson Public Recreation	\$15,000.00
Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative	\$6,857.00	Canon Financial Services Inc	\$99.00
USPS	\$78.00	NAPA Auto Parts	\$741.00
Mauer Oil	\$2,036.40	Emily Houle	\$19.44
Verizon	\$39.52	Core & Main LP	\$693.26
Elite Collision LLC	\$326.05	Otter Tail Power Co	\$250.00
Hankinson Park District	\$758.76	SE Region Career & Tech	\$100.00
Hankinson Public Library	\$758.76	Otter Tail Power Co	\$6,050.73
Hankinson Housing Authority	\$505.84	Southeast Water Users	\$6,201.10

Hankinson CDC	\$4,552.56	Hankinson Public School	\$100.00
Hankinson Park District	\$3,035.04	Hankinson Insurance Agency	\$20.00
Hankinson Housing Authority	\$3,035.04	Jeff's Tree Service	\$7,000.00
Hankinson CDC	\$3,035.04	Keith Pohl	\$750.00
Hankinson Public Recreation	\$1,182.39	Dakota Water Solutions	\$52.00
Hankinson Public Library	\$1,250.00	Post's Hardware Hank	\$301.14
Hiway Service	\$24,173.96	Dacotah Paper Co	\$370.64
City Payroll	\$21,877.00	T&G Sanitation Inc	\$6,969.89
Kristi Kelley	\$50.00	ND One Call Inc	\$69.90
Nick Pohl	\$50.00	JBX LLC	\$14,900.00

Motion to approve the April Consent Agenda made by Anderson/Steffens as follows: Transfer Balances: \$10,116.79 from 225 City Sales Tax Fund to 535 Community Center Operations/Building Permits: Carter Zetocha, H&J Bladow Trust, Nancy Knight, and Harlan Bladow; Gaming Permits: Hankinson Volunteer Fire Department; Gaming Site Authorizations: American Legion Post 88 for The Edj, Ironwood on Main, The Nest, Doc's Pub & Eatery and the Hankinson Community Center; Liquor Licenses: American Legion Post 88 (special license May 12, 2026) and Annual Liquor Licenses for American Legion Post 88 and Lovdokken Auto & Convenience Store LLC. Carried.

Roeder/Steffens made a motion to approve up to \$3,800.00 for the purchase of a kurf cutting machine from Core & Main LP for the water department. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Motion by Anderson/Steffens to approve the sale of materials at the north landfill for \$40/yard to help reduce the stockpile. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Steffens offered Resolution 26-02 Designation of Official Newspaper as the News Monitor. Second by Bladow. Roll call: all aye. Carried.

Bladow/Falk made a motion to approve an engagement letter with Nadine Julson LLC for years 2024-2025 combined audit. Carried.

Steffens/Falk made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Carried.

The next regular city council meeting will be held Monday, June 1, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Hankinson Community Center.

Jordan Krump, Mayor

Kristi Kelley, City Auditor