

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 6, 2026

The city council met in regular session Monday, April 6, 2026 in the council chambers at city hall. Acting Council President Sanborn called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Steve Sulflow, Beverly Olson and Dan Sanborn. Absent: Dean Matthys. Mayor James Bulman present.

Also present were: City Manager Robert Wolfington, City Attorney Elizabeth Bloom, City Engineer Mike Amborn and City Clerk Tami Schuelke-Sampson.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, with the following modifications:

**MODIFY: 5(A) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD
ENDING APRIL 2, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF ~~\$283,470.83~~: \$438,510.76.**

The revised list reflects the following additions:

LIQUOR

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| Breakthru Beverage Minnesota - Inventory | \$ | 2,916.80 |
| Dahlheimer Beverage Green Isle - Inventory | | 15,505.60 |
| Dahlheimer Beverage Green Isle - Inventory | | 1,705.70 |
| Johnson Brothers Liquor Co. - Inventory | | 4,020.85 |
| Madison Bottling Co. - Inventory | | 2,928.35 |
| Phillips Wine & Spirits - Inventory | | 5,136.70 |

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| HDR Engineering, Inc. - Professional Services SRE 2026 | 2,100.00 |
| MIDC - Farmland Rent | 1,896.56 |

ENGINEERING

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| Rodeberg & Berryman, Inc. - Services (Feb 23 - Mar 27) | 37,605.00 |
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LEGAL

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| Nelson, Oyen, Torvik - Legal Services | 12,455.00 |
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| Nelson, Oyen Torvik - Loan - NDK Interests, LLC | 30,000.00 |
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MISCELLANEOUS

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| Avenu Insights & Analytics - Software Support - March | 2,649.92 |
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| Farmers Union Oil Company - Gas, etc. | 9,311.66 |
| Fusion - Phone bill | 2,375.88 |
| Montevideo Area Chamber of Commerce - March bills | 8,334.59 |
| <u>POLICE</u> | |
| ByteSpeed, LLC - Desktop Computer | 3,499.00 |
| <u>PUBLIC WORKS</u> | |
| Veseris - Kontrol Mosquito 55 Gallon (3) | 7,755.00 |
| <u>UTILITY</u> | |
| Dakota Supply Group - Hydrant Red - 40 Paint | 3,229.26 |
| Innovative Systems - Utility bills & postage | 1,614.06 |

ADD: 5(B) **CONSIDER REQUEST FOR USE OF A PORTION OF EVAN’S POND FOR A BUTTERFLY RELEASE EVENT ON THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2026.**

ADD: 5(C) **CONSIDER APPLICATION FROM THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM LAWFUL GAMBLING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW RAFFLE ACTIVITIES AUGUST 2, 2026 AT THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, 592 SOUTH 1ST STREET.**

ADD: 5(D) **CONSIDER APPLICATION FROM CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION TO CONDUCT A RAFFLE ON JUNE 1, 2026 AT MELODY LANES, 568 SOUTH 1ST STREET.**

MODIFY: 7(F) **CONSIDER RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFTS/GRANTS FROM VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS.**

ADD: 7(G) **CONSIDER APPROVING STATE APPLICATIONS FOR TWO 1-4 DAY TEMPORARY ON-SALE LIQUOR LICENSES TO THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR AT THE FAIRGROUNDS, 592 SOUTH 1ST STREET.**

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 16, 2026 and the special meeting of March 23, 2026, as presented.

4. Notices/Communications/Announcements or Appearance of Interested Citizens.

- None.

5. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Olson, seconded by Sulflow and unanimously passed to approve the following consent agenda items:

- 5(A) VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 2, 2026 IN THE (MODIFIED) AMOUNT OF \$438,510.76.
- 5(B) APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY HEATHER GOSLEE/MN RIVER VALLEY CANCER CONNECTIONS REQUESTING USE OF EVAN'S POND FOR A BUTTERFLY RELEASE EVENT ON THURSDAY MAY 28TH, 2026.
- 5(C) APPLICATION FROM THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM LAWFUL GAMBLING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW RAFFLE ACTIVITY ON AUGUST 2, 2026 AT THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.
- 5(D) APPLICATION FROM CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM LAWFUL GAMBLING LICENSE FOR A RAFFLE ON JUNE 1, 2026 AT MELODY LANES LOCATED AT 568 SOUTH 1ST STREET.

6. Public Hearings.

- None.

7. General Business.

- 7(A) TABLED - COUNCIL MEMBER DEAN MATTHYS RESIGNATION.

Tabled due to not having four council members to approve the resolution. This is a requirement of the City Charter.

- 7(B) FIESTA EVENTS AND USE OF CITY PROPERTY DISCUSSION/APPROVAL.

Fiesta Chairman/President, Kevin Wald, presented the planned events for the 2026 Montevideo Fiesta Days. He stated that Monte Fiesta Inc. has separated from the royalty portion to be more event focused. Wald explained what would be needed from the City to help make the celebration go off with little to no complications. The council discussed, in detail, the Soap Box Derby and the sports competition events that would be utilizing the city pool. Wald is in the process of obtaining the needed insurance for the events and has met with the Chippewa County Sheriff and Montevideo Police Chief regarding safety items. Council thanked Wald and the team of volunteers for all they have done planning the celebration.

7(C) APPROVED USE OF CITY PROPERTY - KIDDIE PARADE FOR FIESTA DAYS.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the use of Parkway Drive between Canton Avenue and Sheridan Avenue on Thursday, June 18, 2026, that will be held in conjunction with the Community Picnic and Kids Carnival.

7(D) TABLED - RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

Tabled due to not having four council members to approve the resolution. This is a requirement of the City Charter.

7(E) APPOINTMENT OF HEARING OFFICER FOR 2026.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to appoint Heidi Torvik, Willmar, Minnesota, as administrative hearing officer for 2026, at the rate of \$200.00/hour, including windshield time to/from Montevideo.

7(F) TABLED - ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS/GRANTS.

Tabled due to not having four council members to approve the resolution. This is a requirement of the City Charter.

7(G) TEMPORARY ON-SALE PERMITS - CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.

The Chippewa County Fair Association submitted applications for two (2) back-to-back State of Minnesota 1-4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor Licenses for the Chippewa County Fair July 29-August 2, 2026. Two licenses are needed because the Fair runs for five days, and each application is for a maximum of four days. The permits would allow the sale of strong beer and liquor, which will be supplied by Madison Bottling Company.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to authorize submission of the temporary applications to the State of Minnesota.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

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9(A) BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS UPDATES.

- None.

9(B) OTHER.

- ▶ Mayor Bulman reminded citizens that the deadline to apply for an open council seat is May 8th.
- ▶ Mayor Bulman informed citizens that the compost site is not open and to call city hall or check the city facebook page to ask if it is open. City Manager Wolfington explained that the reason it is not open yet is because of how wet it is and the Public Works Department hopes to burn the pile to get the site prepared for the upcoming year.
- ▶ City Manager Wolfington stated that the reason no resolutions were able to be adopted at the meeting is because the City Charter requires four yes votes and there were only three council members in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

Tami Schuelke-Sampson, Secretary

Approved by council April 20, 2026:

President - City Council