

PLATTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

June 15, 2026

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 7:08 o'clock p.m. on June 15, 2026 at Plattsmouth City Hall in Plattsmouth Nebraska. Present were Mayor R. Paul Lambert and Council Members: Jeanie Brookhouser, James Forrest, Howard "Sam" Hardy, Terry Kerns, Morgan Muller and Frederick Rollins. Absent Members: Steve Riese. Also present: City Administrator Emily Bausch, City Attorney Damien Wright, City Clerk Sandra J. Meyer, and Deputy City Clerk Ryan Vulgamott.

This is a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Plattsmouth. Notice of meeting was published on June 4, 2026 in the Omaha World Herald. Proof of publication along with the Mayor and Council's Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice are on file. The Open Meetings Act is posted on the bulletin board in the City Council Chambers. A copy of the agenda and all documents to be discussed is available to the public. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. We will follow the agenda that was made available to the public. Please silence cell phones.

ITEM 4 MAYORAL APPOINTMENT

ITEM 4 A

Motion by Muller seconded by Brookhouser to approve the Mayor's recommendation of the appointment of Bryan Clark to complete City of Plattsmouth Council Member – Ward 3 vacancy which term will expire December 2026. A vacancy was created when Stockton Graham resigned effective May 4, 2026. ROLL CALL: Yes-Forrest, Muller, Hardy, Rollins, Brookhouser and Kerns. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 4 B

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, administered the Oath of Office to Bryan Clark, 3rd Ward Council Member.

ITEM 4 C

Cheryl Smith Cook introduced herself to Council and gave a summary of her prior librarian experience, her observations of the current Plattsmouth programs, and her excitement to serve the community. Motion by Forrest seconded by Hardy to approve the Mayor's recommendation of the appointment of Cheryl Smith Cook as the Library Director for the Plattsmouth Public Library effective July 1, 2026. ROLL CALL: Yes-Clark, Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns, Muller, Hardy and Forrest. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 5 CITIZENS DELEGATION

No one spoke during Citizens Delegation.

ITEM 6 MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

There were no Mayoral Proclamations.

ITEM 7 CONSENT AGENDA

John Gade, Strand Associates, clarified ITEM 7 D and gave Council an update on the Water Supply Project. The water supply line was broken into two projects, W2 booster station and W3 water transmission main, with a total cost of \$18.7M which is \$5.3M below the engineer projected cost. Both projects have had four change orders each. W2 is currently 60% complete and W3 is around 94% complete. Major accomplishments have been the Platte River crossing bores, BNSF railroad bore, Hwy 75 crossing and navigating environmental and endangered species conditions. Milestone 2 was to have the water connection by July 1, 2026 but delays with the Union Pacific Ave B railroad permit, taking two years to receive approval, and other project challenges have delayed this goal. John stated the contractor will be looking for a time extension for Milestone 2. The remaining work on Ave B and water testing will push the substantial completion date from December 20, 2026 to a date in 2027.

Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Clark to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A Consider approval of the June 1, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
- B Accept, with regrets, the resignation of James Ulrich from the Plattsmouth Bridge Commission
- C Consider the Mayor's recommendation of the appointment of Bill Brueggeman to the Plattsmouth Bridge Commission for a term running from June 2026 to June 2032
- D Consider approval of Change Order No. 4 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Valley Corporation which includes nine (9) items for a total increase of \$232,365.35 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W3 – Water Transmission Main (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order No. 4
- E Consider Contractor's Application for Payment No. 12 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Valley Corporation in the amount of \$1,444,164.31 for work completed from May 1 to May 31, 2026 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W3 – Water Transmission Main (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor's Application for Payment No. 12
- F Consider ratifying administrative approval of a Pipeline Crossing Agreement for the new 20-inch potable water pipeline encased in a 30-inch steel casing on Avenue B (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project)
- G Receive Treasurer's Report

H Consider approval of claims

Claims Register Report as of 6/15/2026

Pay Date: 06/12/26 191,432.98

Cemetery 6,010.40
Com Ctr 24,785.57
EMS 29,519.64
General 29,046.84
Library 8,042.60
Parks 2,367.00
Police 57,543.15
Senior Center 4,073.40
Street 14,206.24
Water and Sewer 15,838.14

Vendor Name

FIRST STATE BANK NEBRASKA 834.50
FIRST STATE BANK NEBRASKA 12,343.25
ACCREDITED COLLECTION SERVICE 168.65
FIRST STATE BANK NEBRASKA 731.56
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE 195.00
NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 225.70
PLATTSMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER 2,392.77
AMAZON.COM SALES INC 7,791.01
AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE COMPANY OF FLORIDA 9,423.00
AMY TEGELS 25.00
AQUA CHEM INC 3,978.70
BARONI ENTERPRISES 210.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 74.47
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 57.83
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 122.72
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 143.39
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 59.35
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 230.99
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 50.26
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 150.79
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 3,456.32
BLACK HILLS ENERGY 50.26
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD 67,202.50
BODY BASICS INC 199.00
BOO INC DBA BOBCAT OF OMAHA 165.63
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC 1,119.31
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT 423.96
CHARLES S SCHREIBER 242.30
CHESTERMAN CO 732.64
DULTMEIER SALES LLC 58.00
ELM USA INC 103.95

EYMAN PLUMBING INC	256.21
FELD FIRE	256.00
FERGUSON ENTERPRISES	10.17
FIBER PLATFORM LLC	1,249.50
FOAMFRAT LLC	4,070.00
FONTENELLE FOREST	300.00
H & H SALES INC	1,600.79
HELENA AGRI-ENTERPRISES LLC	121.25
IDEAL PURE WATER	93.00
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES LLC	959.07
IRINA A HARRINGTON	75.00
J & J SMALL ENGINE SERVICE	71.96
JACKS UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	67.46
JAY GLASER	254.00
JEREMY J MASID	765.00
JESSE CLARK	18.85
KATHRYN SHARP	375.00
MATHESON TRI-GAS INC	274.45
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	75.00
MIDLAND PRINTING AND BUSINESS FORMS INC	330.06
MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC	1,541.99
MIDWEST RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES INC	4,964.15
MISSISSIPPI LIME COMPANY	11,404.56
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY	63.17
MULLENAX AUTO SUPPLY	249.99
NATHAN TAYLOR	26.47
NEBRASKA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	10,353.20
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY CO INC	5,079.49
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	13,664.14
OFFICE DEPOT INC	270.18
ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC	157.71
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	809.88
OXEN TECHNOLOGY	6,939.98
PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP INC	4,771.48
PETTY CASH WATER DEPARTMENT	615.67
REVOLUTION WRAPS LLC	1,347.67
RIVER VALLEY MEMORIALS	100.00
ROLLINS INC	97.17
SGP SERVICES INC	443.58
STERICYCLE SHRED IT	79.82
STRYKER SALES CORPORATION	564.73
TARA SCRIVEN	25.00
TAYLOR LAWN CARE LLC	1,200.00
TELEFLEX LLC	2,430.00
THE PITNEY BOWES BANK INC	1,522.25
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	1,181.70
UMB BANK NA	300.00
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	171.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	1,019.12
WALKERS INC	92.05

WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	2,752.45
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	347.25
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	278.86
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	62.84
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	246.80
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	218.00
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	445.51
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NEBRASKA INC	115.98
WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT	270.44
WELCH LAW FIRM PC	22,000.00
WEX HEALTH INC	70.00
WINDSTREAM	228.67
WINDSTREAM	169.08
WINDSTREAM	167.75
WINDSTREAM	186.51
WINDSTREAM	30.12
WINDSTREAM	51.81
WINDSTREAM	92.57
WINDSTREAM	188.22

ROLL CALL: Yes-Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns and Clark. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council member Kerns stated he would be abstaining from any discussion or action on ITEM 8 A and ITEM 8 B due to a conflict of interest.

ITEM 8 A

Motion by Forrest seconded by Hardy to approve Change Order No. 4 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Building Crafts Inc. which includes two (2) items for a total increase of \$1,920.13 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W2 – Water Booster Station (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order No. 4. ROLL CALL: Yes-Brookhouser, Clark, Muller, Hardy, Forrest and Rollins. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-Kerns. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 B

Motion by Muller seconded by Forrest to approve Contractor’s Application for Payment No. 11 submitted by Strand Associates on behalf of Building Crafts Inc. in the amount of \$334,115.00 for work completed from May 1, 2026 to June 1, 2026 for the Plattsmouth Water Supply Contract W2 – Water Booster Station (2019 FEMA Flood Recovery project #88690 – Water Supply System Project) and authorize the Mayor to execute Contractor’s Application for Payment No. 11. ROLL CALL: Yes-Hardy, Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Clark and Muller. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-Kerns. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 C

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, informed Council that the old WWTP is currently out of service since the new WWTP is operational. This task order is for environmental review, geotechnical review and decommissioning design plans and timeline. Once the plans reach 60% a timeline to bid and complete the project can be established. Decommission and demolition of the old WWTP will be the final piece in the WWTP recovery project. Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Forrest to approve Task Order No. 26-02 to the Technical Services Agreement with Strand Associates dated February 2, 2026 for Decommissioning and Demolition of existing WWTP located on East Main St. in the amount not to exceed \$457,000.00 (2019 Flood Recovery Project PW#88688-Relocated Wastewater Treatment Plant) and authorize the Mayor to execute Task Order No. 26-02. ROLL CALL: Yes-Kerns, Clark, Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Rollins and Brookhouser. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 D

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, updated Council on the success of the first round of surplus property bidding and the hopes that the second round of bidding will clean up the surplus property that is left. Items will be published in the Omaha World Herald and on the City Website. Motion by Forrest seconded by Rollins to authorize publication of Notice for Sealed Bids on the remaining Surplus items at lower Reserve amounts. ROLL CALL: Yes-Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns, Clark, Muller and Hardy. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 E

John Gade, Strand Associates – City Engineer, reviewed the cost estimate from Common Wealth with Council. This estimate is for the removal of the 40+ year old traffic light system, except the light poles, and to replace all traffic lights, pedestrian lights, conduit, cable, and control cabinet with their newer counterparts. John mentioned the current four-way stop has been effective during the off season but may not be the best option during peak time traffic related to school. The roundabout was mentioned as being one of the safest options for pedestrians but it would require extra signage and education for drivers to become familiar with it. Motion by Forrest seconded by Clark to receive preliminary cost estimate (without plans or specifications) from Common Wealth Electrical for Traffic Light repairs at Chicago Ave and 8th Ave, and direct staff to work with the City Engineer for required documents for solicitation of proposals. ROLL CALL: Yes-Clark, Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser and Kerns. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8 F

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, shared the Historic Preservation Board's desire to register the residence located at 6th St & Ave F this year. The City has used Alley Poyner in the past to verify and complete the registration forms since they are familiar with this process and have staff dedicated to these types of projects. The owner of the property is willing to participate in this registration process and the City's match for the grant is "in kind" but this project is also eligible for LB840 funding. Motion by Forrest seconded by Hardy to authorize an agreement with Alley Poyner Macchietto Architecture- for execution of a grant received from the Nebraska State Historical Society for Certified Local Governments regarding the National Registry of Historic

Places Nomination Form and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement. ROLL CALL: Yes-Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns, Clark, Muller, Hardy and Forrest. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 9 A

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, reviewed the current Civil Defense Siren coverage area with Council. In 2025 Blue Valley installed a new siren at the South end of town that expanded the coverage area. With the failure of the current siren on Ave B an upgraded siren will be installed in that location to expand the coverage area to include Oak Hill Cemetery and other areas West of Hwy 75. Blue Valley Public Safety currently has a maintenance/service agreement with the City and is a certified Federal Signal dealer. Motion by Kerns seconded by Forrest to approve a purchase agreement with Blue Valley Public Safety Inc. in the amount of \$31,768.70 for a replacement civil defense siren on Ave. B and authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase agreement (FY 2025/2026 budgeted item). ROLL CALL: Yes-Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns and Clark. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 B

Emily Bausch, City Administrator, noted the agreement submitted by TD2 has an error. The agreement lists the property addresses as 522 & 524 Main St; the correct addresses are 522 & 526 Main St. as stated in the agenda. If approved this agreement will present Council with three detailed options to choose from at a later meeting.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Kerns to Table Consideration of an agreement with TD2 Engineering & Surveying for structural engineering analysis and alternatives for property repairs necessary for 522 & 526 Main St., Plattsmouth, Nebraska until after ITEM 9 C. ROLL CALL: Yes-Brookhouser, Kerns, Clark, Muller, Hardy, Forrest and Rollins. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 9 C

Mayor Lambert indicated the need for the City Council to convene in closed session for the purpose of protecting the public interest while the City Council receives legal advice on acquisition of property at 522 and 526 Main Street.

8:11 p.m. Motion by Muller seconded by Brookhouser to convene in closed session for the purpose of protecting the public interest while the City Council receives legal advice on acquisition of property at 522 and 526 Main Street. ROLL CALL: Yes-Hardy, Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Kerns, Clark and Muller. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Lambert again stated the closed session is for the purpose of protecting the public interest while the City Council receives legal advice on acquisition of property at 522 and 526 Main Street.

8:32 p.m. Motion by Forrest seconded by Brookhouser to reconvene in open session. ROLL CALL: Yes-Kerns, Clark, Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Rollins and Brookhouser. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 B

Motion by Forrest seconded by Muller to take ITEM 9 B from the Table. ROLL CALL: Yes-Forrest, Rollins, Brookhouser, Hardy, Clark, Muller and Kerns. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Rollins to approve an agreement with TD2 Engineering & Surveying for structural engineering analysis and alternatives for property repairs necessary for 522 & 526 Main St., Plattsmouth, Nebraska. ROLL CALL: Yes-Clark, Brookhouser, Kerns, Rollins, Muller, Hardy and Forrest. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 9 D

Motion by Forrest seconded by Rollins to Postpone consideration of ITEM 9 D until the July 6, 2026 meeting. Emily Bausch, City Administrator, asked if Council would like any additional information presented or the structural engineer present at the next meeting. Following discussion, Forrest withdrew his Motion and Hardy withdrew his second.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Brookhouser to authorize the City Attorney to develop a real estate transfer agreement and related documents for the property located at 522 and 526 Main St. for Council approval. ROLL CALL: Yes-Muller, Hardy, Forrest, Clark, Brookhouser, Kerns and Rollins. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 12

At 9:01 p.m. Motion by Brookhouser seconded by Clark to adjourn. ROLL CALL: Yes-Brookhouser, Kerns, Rollins, Muller, Hardy, Forrest and Clark. No-None. Absent-Riese. Abstain-None. MOTION CARRIED.

R. Paul Lambert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra J. Meyer, City Clerk