MONTROSE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
UN-APPROVED MINUTES –July 14th, 2026

On **July 14th, 2026**, the Montrose City Council Meeting took place at the Community Center. *The Pledge of Allegiance* was recited. Mayor Susan Painter called the meeting to order at 6:02pm. ***Roll Call***: Council members: Hanisch, Vogel, and Scheff were present. Council Binder arrived at 6:08pm. Finance Officer Siemonsma present. Maintenance Hanisch present. City residents present. Quorum present. Rules of Decorum stated by Painter.

<u>Action 26-077</u>
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Scheff for approval of Agenda. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

<u>Action 26-078</u>
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Scheff for approval of the June 9th meeting minutes. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

SPECIAL TOPICS:
<u>Action 26-079</u>
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Hanisch, for approval of Resolution No. 2026-008 Zimmer Addition Re-Plat. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Citizen Graff was present to ask the council for water service to his new home. Graff proposed to connect to Jeff Ohara's 2" water line. Graff proposed a curb stop water shutoff at both his property and Jeff Ohara's property. Graff discussed the alternative option of getting water from Kingbrook Rural Water, and that tie-in would be located about 1000 feet further into city limits. FO spoke with DGR regarding the option to have an infrastructure study done through an engineering firm to determine how many more houses can be serviced using our existing water lines and water tower. The council has this option as more growth is being noticed in and around Montrose.

<u>Action 26-080</u>
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Scheff, for approval to provide water service to Adam Graff for a future home building site north of Montrose on Fuller Ave outside of city limits. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

<u>Action 26-081</u>
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Scheff, for approval of Resolution No. 2026-009 Graff Addition Re-Plat. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Dominic Casilli was present to propose his website design business for local municipalities.

Citizen Hirschmann was present to discuss concerns regarding the weed and debris overgrowth east of the water drainage ditch located on East Kluckholm street in the city right of way. Right of way ditches are considered the homeowners responsibility, however there is extensive flooding history in Montrose in this area and in the past, the city had a concrete water way put in that drainage ditch to help mitigate flooding into the city. Hirschman is asking the city to create an annual maintenance plan for this drainage ditch for future flood mitigation. SECOG has stated that this drainage ditch is city maintenance responsibility going all the way past the concrete. City council members agreed to start an annual maintenance plan on this drainage ditch to help mitigate future issues.
Hirschman also discussed the landscaping bricks on the corner of property 300 S 1st Ave always getting hit by the semi truck trailers that turn down E Kluckholm Street. Council members state this area is considered the property owners responsibility. Any issues with semi truck trailers hitting the corner would have to be between the property owner and the driver of the semi truck.

OLD BUSINESS:
City Punch List Reviewed.
FO asked maintenance and council about crack sealing needs prior to the slurry seal project in August. Council states no crack sealing needs to be done on the north end of town.
FO shared the water shed building costs she had gathered over the past month regarding this project. Council Hanisch will work towards a bid from and underground plumber and an overground plumber for the rest of the project for 2027.
No updates regarding the housing grants from the federal government.
No SMGA meeting updates from council members or mayor.
The failing seals within sewer manholes project should be underway at the end of July. This project is under warranty through the Sewer infrastructure project started back in 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:
Sheriff Reports reviewed.
Governor Run-off election is being held in the Montrose Community Center July 28th, 2026.

Action 26-082
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Scheff, for approval to appoint Nick Vogel for a 1-year term for ward 1 as a city council member. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-083
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Scheff, for approval to appoint Alex Binder for a 1-year term for ward 1 as a city council member. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-084
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Vogel, for approval to appoint Alex Binder as council president, Nick Vogel as Vice President, Justin Scheff over utilities, Jasen Hanisch and Nick Vogel over Parks/Rec, Susan Painter over Finance and Jasen Hanisch over the streets department. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-085
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Scheff, for approval to appoint Brian Kappenman for a 5-year term on the Montrose Planning and Zoning committee. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-086
Moved by council Scheff, seconded by council Hanisch, for approval to appoint Cliff Hallem for a 1-year term as the Zoning Administrator on the Montrose Planning and Zoning committee. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-087
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Scheff, for approval of the 1st and final reading of Resolution No. 2026-006 Contingency Funds Transfer. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Front footage review was done by council members for submission to the county for 2027 street assessment. Property 108 Elder Street was reviewed.

Action 26-088
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Hanisch for approval to change the front footage assessment for property 108 Elder Street from 128 ft to 0 feet as this area is not city maintained. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Action 26-089
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Hanisch, for approval of Front Foot Levy two dollar amount to be assessed per foot, per Resolution No. 2026-007. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Complaint filed in office regarding parcel #19.05.0301 vegetation nuisance. A volunteer mowed this property owners land.

Water was taken out of a hydrant on fuller avenue from a sub-contractor working in the area. The city was not aware of this action, and a citizen called the city office to complain about brown water at his home. Maintenance had to come in and flush the hydrants north of town to fix this issue. The contractor was found and admitted to taking water without the city's blessing. The council members discussed a fine.

Action 26-090
Moved by council Scheff, seconded by council Hanisch, for approval to fine Split Rock Landscaping out of Brandon, SD in the amount of $750.00 for taking water from a city fire hydrant without permission. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS
Maintenance updates from Josh Hanisch: none.

FO published vegetation nuisance as a public notice in July in accordance with city ordinance laws.
FO asked for clarity on water leak time frame for service calls. Council members stated that a couple resources need to be called when a water leak is present, and whomever is able to arrive first and help the city fix the issue, will be sufficient.
FO reviewed budgetary items with council members including Baseball renovation needs for 2027, pool partitions, pool sand filters, campground needs including upgraded electrical work and firewood sales. Payroll review for 2027, outstanding debt/loan review, SMGA membership, dust control, grants, and maintenance requests (dandelion roller for weed control) for 2027.

End of month camping revenue and end of month pool revenue and expenditures were reviewed by council members.
End of month bank account balances reviewed by council.

JULY VOUCHERS:

PAID Between Meetings

29611e	FEDERAL TAX PAYMENT	6/18/26	$1,496.88	Payroll Taxes
29613e	FEDERAL TAX PAYMENT	7/2/26	$1,824.80	Payroll Taxes

00056e	CAMPSPOT	7/7/26	$629.50	Camp Reservation Fees
00055e	CLOVER CONNECT	7/7/26	$288.85	ACH Card Fees for Campground
31082	MCCOOK REGISTER OF DEEDS	6/25/26	$31.00	Recording of Deed - Old City Land Sale
29614e	MISC	6/30/26	$175.00	Check Return
29615e	MISC	6/30/26	$7.00	Check Return Fee
00054e	MM CAMPGROUND	6/12/26	$17,000.00	Budget Supplement No. 2026-004
31074	PITTENGER, GORDON	6/10/26	$7.82	UB Deposit Reimbursement: 101 Elder Street
29612e	SECURITY STATE BANK	6/19/26	$20.00	Stop CK#31079 Rosendale Picnic Tables
29617e	SD DLR	7/9/26	$11.51	2nd Quarter Unemployment Insurance
29616e	SD DOR	7/9/26	$231.39	Monthly Garbage Tax Reporting
31092	SD RETIREMENT SYSTEM	7/7/26	$737.46	Monthly Reporting
31080	THE SECURITY STATE BANK	7/1/26	$1,068.53	Ofc supplies; Certified mail; SB garbages; Pool snacks; Tactacam Bracket; Gas Can fillup; Election board lunches; pool chlorinator; replacement tree bags; sewer pond signs
31081	US BANK, N.A.	7/1/26	$11,703.04	Loan: DW1 / CW2

PAID at Council Meeting

31112	#1 BREAKTIME PORTABLES	714/26	$425.00	Baseball Field Portables for June 2026
31095	A&B BUSINESS	714/26	$237.14	Monthly IT Service; Printer Contract
31122	ACE HARDWARE	7/14/26	$37.44	Toilet bowl cleaner for Camp/OFC
31096	ADDY DISPOSAL	7/14/26	$3,344.00	Monthly Garbage Fee
31105	BADGER METER	7/14/26	$67.62	Monthly cellular/network fees
31107	BX CIVIL & CONSTRUCTION	7/14/26	$1,391.60	Dust Control East Main street SB drive
31097	CITY OF MONTROSE	714/26	$908.92	Monthly UB Bill
31119	DELL RAPIDS LAW FIRM	7/14/26	$230.00	Lawyer Fees
31110	DGR ENGINEERING	7/14/26	$1,547.00	Slurry Seal Contract
31121	EIE ELECTRIC, INC	7/14/26	$318.65	Breaker repair, sites 8,9,10
31098	GOLDEN WEST	7/14/26	$311.17	Monthly Office/Camp/Pool Phone-Internet Bill
31113	HAWKINS, INC.	7/14/26	$3,277.37	Pool Chemicals
31117	IRON WHEEL	7/14/26	$390.68	Pool house water leak repair
31099	KINGBROOK RURAL WATER	7/14/26	$7,054.35	Monthly Water Purchase-Usage
31100	MCCOOK CO. AUDITOR	714/26	$1,783.60	Monthly Sheriff Fee
31106	MC&R POOLS, INC	7/14/26	$1,126.94	Seal kit; impeller
31118	MCLEODS PRINTING	7/14/26	$1.70	Election Talley sheets
31108	MENARDS	7/14/26	$43.96	Shop Supplies
31101	MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	7/14/26	$36.25	Prior month Usage
31102	MONTROSE GAS PLUS	7/14/26	$195.32	Fuel for City Equip
31103	NEW CENTURY PRESS	714/26	$130.51	Mtg Minutes; ORD
31114	PARTITIONS INC.	7/14/26	$100.00	Camp Bathhouse Door Hinge Replacement
31124	SD ONE CALL	7/14/26	$30.45	Locate Fees April thru June
31091	SIEMONSMA, EARL & NICOLE	7/14/26	$341.56	UB Deposit Reimbursement: 1313 S Lynn Ave
31094	SIEMONSMA, NICOLE	7/14/26	$49.64	Gas reimbursement for Pool snack run; water sample July
31111	SIGN DESIGN	7/14/26	$28.00	Hwy38 Sign Replacement - Fiscal Agent
31104	SOUTHEASTERN ELECTRIC COOP	7/14/26	$4,584.01	Monthly Electric Bill
31093	STEWART, SCOTT	7/14/26	$109.21	UB Deposit Reimbursment: 402 Elder Street
31115	THE PARK CATALOG	7/14/26	$13,473.65	10 campground picnic tables
31116	THE SECURITY STATE BANK	7/14/26	$548.66	Pool snacks; Camp TP
31123	THE SECURITY STATE BANK	7/14/26	$118.19	Pool snacks; Walmart Ice cream; Pop; Chip
31109	TYSDAL SNOW REMOVAL LLC	7/14/26	$400.00	BB Field loads of clay
31120	TWEDT CONSTRUCTION, INC	7/14/26	$90,257.40	Church Ave-Main St to Elder Street Repairs
31120	TWEDT CONSTRUCTION, INC	7/14/26	$2,400.00	Water Leak on 1st Ave/Dakota Ave
	TOTAL PAID:		$170,532.77	

Pay-roll

	City Council Members		$2,450.00	Quarterly Payment-Paid in July
	Finance Officer		$4,240.00	2 pay periods - June
	Park Attendant		$833.28	2 payperiods - June
	Seasonal Mowers		$560.80	2 payperiods - June
	Seasonal Pool Staff		$7,190.27	2 payperiods - June
	Certified Operator Temp.		$100.00	Monthly Payment

	Maintenance Technician		$1,905.53	2 pay periods - June
	TOTAL SALARIES:		$17,279.88	
	GRAND TOTAL:		**$187,812.65**	

Action 26-091
Moved by council Hanisch, seconded by council Scheff for approval of bills paid between meetings and bills paid at council meeting. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Hearing of those present: Jackie Cleveland, Jeff Twedt, and Jackie Jandl.

Action 26-092
Moved by council Vogel, seconded by council Binder to **Adjourn** at 7:28pm. ***Roll Call:*** All favored no opposition. Motion carried.

Attest: ________________________ ______________________________
Nicole Siemonsma City Mayor or Council President
Finance Officer

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