

**CITY OF KANDIYOHI
MEETING OF COUNCIL
DECEMBER 1, 2025**

The Kandiyohi City Council held their regular meeting on Monday, December 1, 2025, at the City Hall/Civic Center located at 432 Atlantic Avenue Kandiyohi, MN 56251. Present were Mayor Jon Lindstrand; Council Members Spencer Hunt, Scott McGillivray, Toby Giese, and Jeff Clark; City Maintenance, Brandon Huls; and City Clerk/Treasurer, Julie Woltjer. Absent: Fire Chief Jamie Swanson.

Mayor Lindstrand called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Council Meeting Guests: No meeting Guests

Pledge of Allegiance was recited during the Truth-in-Taxation Public Hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Approval of November 17, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

Approval of Claims List(Payments) December 1, 2025

Department Reports:

- Council Meeting Payroll
- Resolution 202521 - A Resolution to Accept Cash & Noncash Donations

Council Member Giese motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Council Member Clark seconded the motion, motion passes.

PUBLIC FORUM

Council discussed the City's snow emergency parking ordinance and enforcement procedures. A city official reported that several vehicles were towed during the recent snowfall, resulting in complaints from residents. Toby questioned whether vehicles should also be towed during the day based on ordinance wording. Council reviewed the ordinance and the City's policy prohibiting on-street parking from November 1 through April 1 between midnight and 6:00 a.m. Julie noted that notices are typically posted at the civic center/city hall, post office, and apartment buildings.

Council consensus was to continue current enforcement practices. Beginning next year, snow emergency reminders will be included with October utility bills, and the first snowfall will serve as a warning prior to towing enforcement.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Skid Steer Purchase: Brandon presented multiple quotes for a new skid steer to replace the existing tool cat, which has ongoing mechanical issues including leaks and frequent belt failures. Quotes received were as follows:

- John Deere: \$56,516.03
- Arnold's: \$33,000 (radial lift) and \$37,000 (vertical lift)
- Bobcat T66: \$34,000
- Kubota: \$37,000
- JCB: \$74,995

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the purchase of a Bobcat T66 skid steer for \$34,000 with trade-in, with the purchase to be completed in January 2026 to remain within the next budget year. Council Member McGillivray seconded the motion, motion carried.

Civic Center Chairs: Council discussed safety concerns related to Civic Center chairs breaking during events. Julie reported that 16 chairs were already ordered under her \$500 spending authority. Council discussed the need to replace approximately 100 chairs in total.

Council Member Giese motioned to approve the purchase of at least 100 replacement chairs for the Civic Center. Council Member McGillivray seconded the motion, Motion carried.

December Bills: Council Member Giese motioned to approve the payment of Regular bills in for the remainder of December since there is not a second council meeting due to the holiday season. Council Member Clark seconded the motion, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Center Park Shelter: Working on getting quotes, we have not heard back from any of the companies that have been asked.

NEW BUSINESS

Water and Sewer Rates for 2026: Julie presented proposed water and sewer utility rates for 2026. Recommendations included no increase to the water base rate, a 6.5% increase on water usage, a 2% increase on the sewer base rate, and a 7% increase on sewer usage. Julie explained Glacial Lakes rate increases and noted 49% of sewer water is unaccounted for.

Council Member McGillivray motioned to approve Resolution 202522: A Resolution to Adopt the 2026 Sewer & Water Utility Rates, Fees, and Charges with the rates as follows:

2026 Water Utility Rate Schedule

Rate increase of 6.5 % on usage rate and no increase to the water base rate from 2025.

Residential Base Rate	\$20.61
Commercial Base Rate	\$51.54
Usage Rate per 1,000 gallons	\$8.96

2026 Sanitary Sewer Utility Rate Schedule

Rate increase of 2% on base rates and of 7 % on usage rates from 2025.

Residential Base Rate	\$41.60
Commercial Base Rate	\$95.52
Residential Usage Rate per 1,000 gallons	\$18.01
Commercial Usage Rate per 1,000 gallons	\$18.74

2026 Fees & Charges

Sump Pump Fee	\$30.00 *
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*Charged monthly to any residence that has the **option** to turn their sump pump into the sanitary sewer for the usage months of November through April each year.

Storm Sewer Connection Fee	\$10.00**
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**Charged monthly to anyone with a water/sewer connection.

Council Member Hunt seconded the motion. Mayor Lindstrand called for a voice vote: McGillivray – Yes, Hunt – Yes, Clark – Yes, and Giese – Yes. Motion passes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No new announcements

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn at 8:04 PM, Council Member Clark seconded the motion. No objections were made, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Woltjer, MCMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Claims List(Payments):

American Solutions for Business	Checks for Projects	\$165.80
Charter	City Phone/Internet	\$169.99
Harvest Bank	ACH Fees November	\$30.00
Hawkins	Water Chemicals	\$30.00
J & R Wastewater	Water Valve Exercising	\$2,025.00
Kinsella Chiropractic	Dot Physical	\$100.00
KPC	City Utilities	\$2,407.88
Menards	Supplies/Parts	\$354.04
Mileage Reimbursement	MCFOA Training 11/18 & 11/20	\$158.20
Mileage Reimbursement	GLSSWD Meeting Mileage	\$200.20
MN Dept of Health	Community Water Supply Connection Fees	\$503.00
MN Revenue	Employee Taxes	\$396.38
Payroll	11-21-25	\$1,857.92
PERA	11-21-25	\$331.32
Payroll	11-26-25	\$1,821.96
PERA	11-26-25	\$331.49
Us Treasury	Employment Taxes	\$7,711.82
Total Expenditures		\$18,595.00

Phase 1 Project Costs **\$9,780.00**

Moore Engineering	Phase 1 – Construction Costs	\$4,780.00
Taft Stettinius & Hollister	Bond Attorney	\$5,000.00

City Portion of Fire Department Expenditures **\$649.79**