

**City of Federal Dam  
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.  
City Hall**

**Call to Order**

The Regular City Council Meeting of the City of Federal Dam was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Willie Raines.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

Mayor Willie Raines; Council Members Zobava, Lego, Monette and Yuhala. Clerk Mandi Payment; Treasurer Knox;

**Absent:**

**Visitors**

Justin Payment

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**Motion:** Zobava

**Second:** Monette

**Motion Passed.**

**Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including the following items:

- Approval of minutes from the December 8, 2025 City Council Meeting
- Cash Control Statement
- FDSP billing and expense reports

- Customer Balance Summary
- Approval of Claims totaling \$5,469.23 and Payroll totaling \$1,355.76

**Motion:** Lego

**Second:** Zobava

**Motion Passed.**

## **Citizen Petitions and Requests**

## **Reports**

- **Treasurer's Report:** Available upon request
- **Clerk's Report:** Available upon request
- **Maintenance Report:** Available upon request
- **Grant Writer's Report:** Available upon request

## **Old Business**

- Parcel #88-337-0530 will go on a Cass County Land Sale Auction 1-12-26 at 7 PM. The first auction will have a price of approximately \$161,000 and will last 30 days, if it does not sell a second auction will begin 2-14-26 at approximately \$7,000 in and will last 30 days as well. If it does not sell the county will decide what to do next.
- Anyone including the city can bid on this parcel. We will revisit this agenda item on our February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **New Business**

- Jessica Kendall met with Jeff from MN Rural water about the needs of our sewer system. They did a full assessment and we have around \$30,000- \$50,000 in repairs and wanted to know if she should proceed with a grant for the repairs. Motion was made to move forward with the grant.

**Motion: Lego**

**Second: Zobava**  
**Motion Passed.**

- Jessica also wanted to know if the council would like her to pursue a grant from Blandin, for a city gazebo. A motion was made to apply for the city gazebo grant.

**Motion:Zobava**

**Second: Yuhala**

**Motion Passed**

- Mark Saunders will be retiring October of 2027. Clerk handed out a timeline to let councilmembers be aware that we need to be proactive and start looking for a contractor that holds a "C" & D" Wastewater license. We will be revisiting this in the near future.
- Cass County Weed Inspection report for 2025. Tansy was reported and Mayor and inspector signed.

**Motion: Zobava**

**Second:Monette**

**Motion Passed**

**Clerk said she will stick with Quickbooks and set up Square credit card machine to allow customers to pay by credit card if needed. A 3% fee will need to be added to stay on top of the fees involved.**

**Motion: Zobava**

**Second:Lego**

**Motion Passed**

### **Additional Discussion**

- Street lights are out on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Clerk will contact Lake County Power tomorrow.
- Council discussion about dogs running in town unleashed. No action was made.

### **Next Meeting**

The next City Council Meeting will be held on **February 9, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.** at City Hall.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 P.M.

**Motion: Zobava**

**Second: Lego**

**Motion Passed.**

**Attest:**

Willie Raines, Mayor



OR



Mandi Payment, City Clerk