



**Meeting of the City Council
Held at the Elk River City Hall
Monday, February 2, 2026**

Members Present: Mayor John Dietz, Councilmember Cory Grupa, Councilmember J. Brian Calva, Councilmember Mike Beyer, Councilmember Jennifer Wagner

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Cal Portner and Records Specialist Dawn Robertson.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the meeting was called to order at 06:30 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. CONSIDER AGENDA

Councilmember Beyer moved item 4.11 off the consent agenda. Moved by Councilmember Grupa and seconded by Councilmember Calva to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Wagner and seconded by Councilmember Beyer to approve the following consent without item 4.11 as outlined in their respective staff reports. Motion carried 5-0.

4.1 Check Register

4.2 Water Pump Generator Trailer

4.3 Vermeer Chipper

4.4 Separation Agreement and Waiver of Claims

4.5 Hire Police Officer

4.6 Local Match for BUILD Grant - Main Street and TH10/Railroad Grade Separation

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- 4.7 On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License: Muddy Cow Elk River LLC.
 - 4.8 Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement 26-06 with LELS #589 Police Clerical-Technical
 - 4.9 Resolution 26-08 Appointing an Interim Deputy Clerk
 - 4.10 E-bike Ordinance - Regulation of Electric-Assisted Bicycles, Motorized Foot Scooters, and Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices on Paved Trails
 - 4.11 Resolution 26-09 Premises Permit For CharitAbleMN dba Competition Cheer Spirit Booster Club
Moved from the consent agenda by Councilmember Beyer.

Sue Anderson, owner of Sunshine Depot -701 Main St, shared the reasons she wants to make changes in her business. She stated that the new company will offer other gambling options, which will most likely attract more customers.

Moved by Councilmember Wagner and seconded by Councilmember Grupa to Adopt, by motion, Resolution 26-09 approving a premises permit for CharitAbleMN dba Competition Cheer Spirit Booster Club. Motion carried 5-0.

5. OPEN FORUM

No one appeared for open forum.

6. PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

6.1 Introduce New Community Service Officers

Chief Kuhnly introduced Community Service Officers Torren Johnson and Jocelyn Eckstrom and welcomed them to the city.

6.2 Oath of Office: Police Officers

Mayor Dietz administered the oath of office to Officers Joe Reak and Nick Bownes. Each had their badges pinned on by family members.

6.3 Planning Commission Candidate Interview

The Council interviewed Jim Lang for the Planning Commission. Mr. Lang and his wife own an IT company that serves a few local communities. He wants to get more involved, and the Planning Commission interested him in how it is working to build and evolve the city.

Moved by Councilmember Calva and seconded by Councilmember Wagner to appoint Jim Lang to the Planning Commission with the term expiring February 28, 2029. Motion carried 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Dietz opened the public hearing. There being no one to speak to this matter, Mayor Dietz closed the public hearing.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 Discuss Work Session Items

No edits made to work session topics.

9. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATES

9.1 Council Liaison Updates

The Councilmembers provided updates as outlined in the respective advisory board's minutes.

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by None and seconded by None to adjourn the meeting of City Council. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Records Specialist Dawn Robertson



John J. Dietz, Mayor



Calvin P. Portner, Interim Deputy City Clerk