

Wednesday July 9, 2025

The Martin City Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Library Community Room at 101 Main Street.

Mayor Gary Rayhill called the meeting to order with council members Tootie Moffitt, Warren Peterson, Joyce Wilson, Janelle Haynes, Randy Kocourek and Doug Lucero present. Absent, none.

Others present, Mandy Scherer with the Bennett County Booster, Deputy Sheriff Kevin Curtis, Bob Fogg, Aaron Risse and Hayden Risse with legion baseball and Finance Officer Jean Kirk.

Approval of Agenda: Wilson moved to approve the agenda with flexibility. Lucero seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes: Lucero moved to approve the minutes from the June 10th meeting. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Finance Officer's Report: Moffitt moved approve the Finance officer's report for June. Seconded by Peterson, all voting aye, motion carried.

Beginning Balance on Hand	\$4,611,840
June Receipts	197,699
Total to be accounted for	4,809,538
Transfer In	53,275
Transfer Out	53,275
Disbursements	200,661
Outstanding Warrants	34,784
CD & Petty Cash	22,702

Claims July 2025: The claims were reviewed by the council. Peterson moved to pay the July claims. Seconded by Lucero, all voting aye, motion carried.

Insert July Claims Here

Kocourek moved to approve the payment of \$703 to the USDA for the Lagoon payment. Wilson seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

Peterson moved to transfer \$11,000 form the Sewer Debt Account to the General Fund to cover the extra lagoon payment made last month. Moffitt seconded the motion all voting aye, motion carried.

Martin Baseball: Aaron Risse and Hayden Risse with Martin Legion Baseball asked for a donation for their golf tournament. They explained to the council that this is their one and only fund raiser. After a short discussion Wilson moved to donate \$500 out of BBB funds to Legion baseball team. Kocourek seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Law: There were 219 calls for service, 137 of those were in Martin. 127 traffic tickets, 64 of those in Martin, and 21 arrests with 3 of those for felonies.

Surplus Cop Cars:

RESOLUTION 2025-3

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY SURPLUS

WHEREAS, the City of Martin is the owner of the following-described property:

2 Dodge Durangos

2 Ford Interceptor cars

("Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Property was acquired for use by the City of Martin police department; and

WHEREAS, the City of Martin has entered into an agreement with Bennett County and the Bennett County Sheriff for the Sheriff to provide law enforcement services to the City of Martin; and

WHEREAS, the Property is no longer suitable for the purpose for which the City of Martin acquired it; and

WHEREAS, upon the Property being declared surplus, the Property may be transferred to Bennett County in accordance with SDCL § 6-5-1 upon the following terms and conditions:

Two Durangos and two Ford Interceptor Cars: Bennett County will pay the City of Martin \$35,000.00 for the four vehicles; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Martin that the Property be declared surplus and transferred in accordance with SDCL § 6-5-1 under the terms and conditions described above.

Dated this 9th day of July, 2025.

CITY OF MARTIN

By: _____

Gary Rayhill, Mayor

Attest: _____

Jean Kirk, Finance Officer

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Kocourek moved to approve Resolution #2025-3. Peterson seconded the motion. Voting aye Kocourek, Peterson, Haynes, Moffitt, and Wilson. Abstained. Lucero, motion carried.

Surplus old Distributor Truck: Lucero moved to surplus 1970 Ford F600 distributor truck. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Rayhill appointed Doug Lucero, Warren Peterson and Randy Kocourek as appraisers.

Cozad Property: The official plat for Cozad's property was reviewed by the council. Lucero moved to approve the plat and Resolution 2025-4. Peterson seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BOARD #2025-4

WHEREAS there has been presented to the City Council of MARTIN, South Dakota, the within plat of the above-described lands, and it appears to this Council that:

- a. the system of streets set forth therein conforms to the system of streets of existing plats of the municipality,
- b. adequate provision is made for access to adjacent unplatted lands by public dedication or physically accessible section line,
- c. all provisions of any City subdivision regulations have been complied with,
- d. all taxes and special assessments upon the property have been fully paid,
- e. the plat and survey of the land have been lawfully executed,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that said plat is hereby approve, in all respects. Dated this 9th day of July, 2025.

Gary Rayhill, Mayor

Attest: Martin Finance Officer

BBB Funds: A discussion was held on how the city handles requests for donations. An application form was reviewed. Wilson moved to approve the application and to move forward with requesting people seeking donations to fill it out and have it returned to the city so it can be used for budgeting the following year. Lucero seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Martin Volunteer Fire Department: Kocourek moved to add Cody Porch, David Fipps, David Young, and Kendra Holt as volunteers for the Martin Volunteer Fire Department. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.
Wilson moved to donate \$100 out of the BBB fund to the fire department for the annual pancake breakfast. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Personnel: Lucero moved to hire Katrina Kamerzell as full-time seasonal help at \$15.00 an hour. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Markota Door: Lucero moved to hire Kelvin McCollam to replace a door between the pool and the backroom of the restaurant which had been damaged a few years ago when somebody tried to break into the restaurant. Peterson seconded the motion all voting aye, motion carried.

Power at Hodson Park: Wilson moved to have electric moved so that it will be placed in Hodson Park and will no longer be coming from across the street at the hospital. Kocourek seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Water Improvement Facility Plan: Foreman Noel reported on the trip he took to Denver. He visited with several people about dealing with the arsenic in the city water. He said the best thing to do was to set up a filtration system at two of the wells. Once the filtration is in place it could cost up to \$20,000 a year to have the filters cleaned every year.

Kocourek moved to hire Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services (AE2S) to update the water facility improvement plan with the filtration system need to filter the arsenic. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

Building Permits: Lucero moved to approve two building permits. Jolene War Bonnet is building a six-foot privacy fence at 502 State Street and a six-foot chain-link fence at 903 Far Vu. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

A discussion was held on what to do about people not getting building permits before doing something on their property that requires one. Putting something in the paper and sending letters to residents that didn't get a permit were two options.

Past due Water Bills: A motion to handle the past due water bills as usual was entered by Lucero and seconded by Peterson. All voting aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: As there was no further business to come before the council at this time, motion to adjourn was entered by Peterson.

The next city council meeting will be held August 13th at 5:30 p.m. at the library community room.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2025

Gary Rayhill, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jean Kirk, Finance Officer

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