Turtle Lake, North Dakota
City Commission Meeting Minutes (unapproved)

Date: 8-10-2026

Call to Order: Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
In attendance:
Auditor: Michelle Pickett
Mayor: Chad Weige
Commissioners: Rick Schwalk, Matt Lang, Angelique Terranova Nakken, (Tim Britton, Absent)
Also present: Alexis Nienow, Moore Engineering, Joe Herslip
Public Attendance: 1

Review of prior meeting minutes:
Regular city commission meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of July 13th 2026-

Made by: Schwalk
Seconded: Lang
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion approved

Review of the Financial Report and Bills-
Motion to approve the financial and Bills as presented-

Made by: Schwalk
Seconded: Lang
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion approved

Public Comment Period:
A member of the public addressed the Commission regarding options for accessing a portion of their property. Moore Engineering stated they would look into it.

Moore Engineering- Engineers Report
CDBG-
The manhole rehab is all that is left in the process- this project should be finished up in the next few weeks
It was requested that Keller Paving increase their traffic control by placing more cones and tape off the valley gutters and cement that cannot be driven on yet.
Keller Paving Pay Application for $61,241.40

Motion to approve the Pay application to Keller Paving-
Made by: Schwalk
Second: Lang
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Special Assessment- Assessments are due to the county September 1st – special meeting is on August 24th

Discussion on 1st ave – Commissioner Schwalk brought up that there is a lot of truck and heavy equipment traffic on this road and requested to not be included in the Street Project.

Motion to leave 1st Ave from Putnam to Roosevelt St as Gravel-
Made by: Schwalk
Second: Terranova Nakken
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

New Business-

Preliminary budget- the preliminary budget was presented and reviewed

Post issuance Debt Compliance policies and procedures- The procedures and policies were discussed
Motion to approve and adopt Policies and Procedure for Bond Compliance-

Made by: Schwalk
Seconded: Terranova -Nakken
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion approved

Loose Dogs and Cats- Impound Options- There has been an influx of calls regarding loose dogs. Our ordinance regarding loose dogs is located on the city website. The Commission discussed the possibility of impounding loose dogs and cats and decided not to move forward with that approach at this time. All loose dogs will be referred to the McLean County Sheriff's Department.

ND League of cities Annual Convention Sept 16th and 17th – Commissioners were notified and informed of the upcoming conference and options to attend.

City sign on 200- The Turtle Lake sign on 200 was paid for with Grant Money. At that time there were 2 signs ordered, The chamber of progress is working to get the second sign printed, so that sign can be replaced and updated. The wood of the sign will need to be replaced and redone before the new sign will be placed.

City Maintenance review- Will be pushed to the September meeting agenda

City Hall safe- possible replacement – The safe will not be currently replaced.

Board room Tv monitor – a new TV will be purchased to be used for the board room for meetings.

Library parking lot/alley drainage issue- Concerns with water drainage currently being directed towards the library parking lot/Alley was brought up. The parking lot is in poor condition and can not be Milled- it will need to eventually need to be fully constructed.

Motion to contact the city attorney for getting the drainage in that area changed-
Made by: Schwalk
Second: Lang
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Library Director-
Motion to remove Michelle Pickett and add Alexis Nienow on the Dakota west credit card
Made by: Schwalk
Second: Lang
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Old business

Lagoon Maintenance
Lagoon has already received treatment and was recently shocked
Drones will be spraying the cattails in early August
A water pump was purchased to provide circulation, so the water is not stagnant. This has helped to keep the water clear.

Beat zone and call service report

Adjournment:

Made by: Schwalk
Seconded by: Lang
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Next Regular Meeting Date: September 14th, 2026

Attest: _____ _____
Auditor, City Commission President, City Commission

Financials by: Michelle Pickett