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

Date: 10-12-2026

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
Also present: Alexis Nienow, Moore Engineering, Joe Herslip
Public Attendance: 6

Review of prior meeting minutes:

Regular city commission meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of September 14th 2026-

Made by: Britton
Seconded: Terranova Nakken
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 resident raised concerns regarding the special assessment rate. The rate is $113.59 per foot over a 20 year term.
The council members clarified that the assessments are calculated purely on frontal footage across the city.

Moore Engineering- Engineers Report
CDBG- The manhole rehabilitation is completed.

Motion to approve Swanberg construction Change Order No:2 in the amount of $27,308.52

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

Motion to approve the final pay application for Swanberg in the amount of $78,851.05

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

Street Paving Project- Milestone 1 asphalt paving is complete, while the contract remains open through next year for chip sealing and fog coating, after which a one year warranty period begins.
Seeding and mulching will begin this year.
Keller Paving is doing some final clean up / punch list items for the season.

Motion to approve the Pay application to Keller Paving for $1,646,606.00

Made by: Schwalk
Second: Terranova Nakken
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

New Business-
Rezoning request-79230100368000 Main ST.
Will be tabled until the November meeting

Curb stop on 3rd- serving 2 households-The maintenance team reported a possible single curb stop valve severing 2 residential properties on 3rd. Discussion was held and the topic tabled as more research will be done.

Local Permit 2026-11 TL-M FFA Alumni Raffle
Motion to approve the permit for the FFA Alumni Raffle
Made by: Terranova Nakken
Seconded: Britton
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion approved
Fall Clean up-
There will be fall clean up within the next month. The weekend will be decided on when the dumpster will be able to be dropped off.

Millings-

The commission approved the sale of a surplus of millings.
It will be charged by the truck-
$175.00 for dump truck, $275.00 for semi load. Sale will take place October 23rd and 24th.
City will Load trucks, buyer is responsible for hauling.
Motion to approve the sale of millings-
Made by: Terranova Nakken
Second: Britton
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Loose Dogs and Cats-
A resident reported recurrent issues with stray and unleashed dogs entering private yards and acting aggressively towards family members and pets.
The council members explained that law enforcement and deputies respond to animal-at-large calls, but citations require positive identification, evidence such as photographs, and a signed formal complaint.
Establishing a municipal kennel was deemed impractical by the commission due to substantial liability risks, staffing expenses for feeding and care, and workers' compensation.

Library parking lot/alley drainage issue- will be tabled until the November meeting

City cell phone replacement-
Motion to upgrade the city phone-
Made by: Schwalk
Second: Terranova Nakken
Roll Call: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Old business

Lagoon Maintenance
Cat tails have been eradicated. The summer chemical treatments are doing well for the lagoon. Winter blend of chemicals will start in December.

Beat zone and call service report
Adjournment:

Made by: Britton
Seconded by: Terranova Nakken
Roll Call Vote: Unanimous
Outcome: Motion Passed

Next Regular Meeting Date: November 9th, 2026

Attest: _____ _____

Auditor, City Commission **President, City Commission**

Financials by: Michelle Pickett

Vendor Name	Check Amount
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ND	1601.82
WEST RIVER TELEPHONE	266.43
BUSINESS CARD	1729.56
AMAZON	129.47
MCLEAN ELECTRIC	310.54
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES	62.73
VERIZON BUSINESS	91.15
OTTER TAIL POWER CO	900.78
USA Payment	1956.20
TRUCOMMUNITY BANK	0.00
TRUCOMMUNITY BANK	15.00
TRUCOMMUNITY BANK	49.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	74.52
ONE CALL CONCEPTS	27.90
WILD PRAIRIE SOLUTIONS	2429.50
Main Street Market	14.56
SkyTech Ag, LLC	2411.00
RUSTS HARDWARE HANK	273.01
SANITATION PRODUCTS INC	158.11
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	163.66
NorDak North Publications	187.56
BOBCAT OF MANDAN INC	71.44
CENTRAL DAKOTA FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	1037.76
DOUBLE M SANITATION	7730.00
ND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	27.00
MCLEAN-SHERIDAN RURAL WATER	200.00
MCLEAN SHERIDAN RURAL WATER	10157.78
MCLEAN-SHERIDAN RURAL WATER	3217.00
Keller Paving and Landscaping	1006236.60
MOORE ENGINEERING INC	74909.52
MCLEAN COUNTY	3292.17
WESTERN DAKOTA ENERGY ASSOCIATION	200.00
Ohnstad Twichell Attorneys	720.00
COAL CONVERSION	215.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	318.84
OTTER TAIL POWER CO	38.32
MOORE ENGINEERING INC	96924.01
Swanberg Construction	451073.98
Ted Eminhizer	681.54

Joe Herslip	461.75
Alexis Nienow	232.73
Debra Nienow	55.41
Ian Olsen	1779.58
Michelle Pickett	1832.26
Ted Eminhizer	797.90
Joe Herslip	92.35
Alexis Nienow	382.33
Ian Olsen	1453.57
Michelle Pickett	1771.00