

CITY HALL, CITY OF ARLINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA
August 3, 2026

The City Council Board of Adjustments met on August 3, 2026 at 6:55 P.M. in the Council Room in the Municipal Building. Present on Roll Call were Mayor Curt Lundquist and Council Members: Tom Bacon, Terry Rowbotham, Garth Johnson, Sue Falconer, and Robert Knadle. Absent: Beth Sundberg

A hearing was held regarding a Conditional Use Permit application by Steve Thury/Thury Properties to allow Caretaker's Quarters and apartments to the property at 302 West Maple St. After discussion, motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Johnson to approve the request. All in favor—Carried.

Mayor Lundquist adjourned the meeting at 6:56 P.M.

The City Council met in regular session in the Municipal Building—202 West Elm Street. Present on Roll Call were Mayor Curt Lundquist and Council Members: Tom Bacon, Terry Rowbotham, Garth Johnson, Sue Falconer, and Robert Knadle. Absent: Beth Sundberg

Motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Bacon to approve the minutes of the July 6th and 15th meetings. All in favor—Carried.

Bills on file were submitted for consideration and on motion by Knadle, seconded by Falconer, the Finance Officer was instructed to issue payment for same. All in favor on Roll Call Vote—Carried.

Bills approved as follows:

Payroll 18703.25, OASI 1430.80, Bauer Companies 7300.00 Playground Set, East River Electric Power Coop 5544.84 Transmission Service, Electric Fund 6346.60 City Bill, Heartland Energy 29833.94 Energy, Kingsbury County Auditor 5546.67 County Law Contract, SD State Treasurer 6089.55 Sales Tax, Valley Fibercom 285.42 Phone/Internet, Western Area Power Adm 1107.80 Energy, AT&T 57.25 iPad, Andrew or Cassie Johnson 1700.00 Water Heater Rebate, Northwestern Energy 24.00 Service to Shops, Principal Life Ins. Co. 215.51 Short Term Disability, Rural Development 4301.00 Water & Wastewater Loan, Cody or Kathryn Saker 1000.00 Water Heater Rebate, Sioux Valley Energy 111.00 Service to airport, Visa - Cor Trust Bank 1624.14 Pool Supplies; Books, A-Ox Welding Supply Co. 94.75 Cylinder Rent, Arlington Sun 456.10 Publishing, Payroll 34382.55, OASI 2630.19, AT&T Mobility 51.44 Tower Charges, Avid Hawk, LLC 45.00 Monthly Website, Badger Oil, Inc. 120.00 Mower Blades, Banner Associates, Inc 1497.94 Lake Arlington Outlet & Drainage, Bobcat Of Brookings 104.96 Filter & Oil, Brookings Credit Bureau 609.48 Commission, Century Business Products 74.32 Printer Contract, City Of Volga 316.53 Electrical Assistance, Cooks Wastepaper & Recycling 5944.58 July Garbage, Core & Main 5813.65 Curb Box; Supplies, Electric Fund 413.48 Meter Deposits Applied To Bill, Ferguson Enterprises LLC #3325 1827.12 Marker Flags, Genuine Builders, Inc. 1836.74 Mausoleum Cement, Handi Mart 422.22 Fuel, Hawkins, Inc. 4582.40 Chemicals For Pool, Heiman 709.00 Yearly Extinguisher Check, Hydro-Klean, LLC 1980.00 Televis Outlet - Lake, Insurance Benefits, Inc. 5000.00 Airport Liability Insurance, Interstate All Battery Center 58.95 Battery For Sprayer, King Bros Holdings, LLC 82.60 Meter Deposit Balance Refund, King Bros Heating & Cooling 1064.01 Repair Urinal At City Park, Kingbrook Rural Water 14251.93 Water Purchased and Lease, Lowes 1557.70 Pickleball Supplies; Shop Supplies, Maynard's Food Center 182.64 Pool & Cleaning Supplies, Michaels Fence 109.48 Pickleball Fence, Doug O'Neil 3.92 Meter Deposit Balance Refund, Office Peeps 3.96 Lead, PCC Ambulance Billing Serv. 236.32 Ambulance Billing - May, Prairie Ag Partners 6660.32 Tire Repair And Fuel, Prairie Dust Control, LLC 8395.00 Dust Control, SD Public Health Laboratory 20.00 Water Testing, Raztech LLC 997.00 July IT, SD One Call 56.70 Locates April thru June, Tara King 194.76 Helmets, Van Diest Supply Company 4440.00 Biomist, Jesse Vincent Construction 919.26 Install Water Service - 1st St, Warnke Electric 2080.00 Load Management Assistance.

Based on the recommendations from the Planning Commission, motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Johnson to approve the Conditional Use Permit applied for by Steve Thury/Thury Properties to allow Caretaker's Quarters and apartments at Lots 3, 4, 5, & 6, Block 13, WTL CO's 4th Addn (302 West Maple Street). All in favor—Carried.

Since Dr. Jerstad is retiring, motion was made by Knadle, seconded by Falconer to approve the removal of Jerstad from the Health Department appointment list. All in favor—Carried.

Stephanie Ladwig and Martin Murphy requested a Main Street closure for the Foundation's Hog Roast to be held September 19th. Motion was made by Bacon, seconded by Rowbotham to approve the closure. All in favor—Carried.

Kurt Christensen spoke to the Council about a lot on 4th street that he purchased. He is requesting a 2-month extension to the request to have the hole filled in. The Council requested fencing to go around the hole to which Christensen agreed to. Motion was made by Knadle, seconded by Johnson to allow the 2-month extension (October 14th) to have the hole filled in. All in favor—Carried.

Meagan Murphy representing the Arlington School District spoke to the council about the shipping container they placed by the school. She was aware that they were not to set it by the school as it is not zoned for that, but said they had a 3 on 3 basketball tourney at the school for Arlington Days and they didn't have anywhere to store the indoor track practice items. The Council advised her that the shipping container needed to be moved and both that one and the one at the football field need permits.

Mary Davenport spoke to the Council regarding the shipping container at the school and shared her concerns with it - one concern being it is so close to the building and has a ladder on the back of it - potentially enticing kids to climb up.

Billboard (at the airport) update: Mayor Lundquist will attend the next Chamber meeting to discuss options with them.

Manhole/culvert on Spruce Street: Garth Johnson will install and pay for the materials needed.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Falconer to approve Resolution #2026-2 removing verbiage under the Small Commercial Rates to read as follows:

RESOLUTION #2026-2

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF ARLINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA, that the Small Commercial Electric Rates under section 12-1-5 Rates, reads as follows:

Schedule “B” Small Commercial – Applicable to any commercial, industrial, city or farm load within the service territory of the City of Arlington Electric Utility, for all purposes, where the monthly demand is less than 25kW.

- Monthly Minimum \$37.50 per Meter; plus \$0.107 per kWh; plus \$0.0415 debt service charge, plus sales tax.

All in favor—Carried. The Finance Officer was asked to confirm the 25kW for demand is a standard amount.

Culverts on Willow Street: Most of the “blockage” is cattails, but there is a little silt. The Council agreed to clean them out this fall if we have the landowner’s approval.

Culvert at Lake Arlington: We received an email from SD DOT regarding the culvert under Hwy’s 81 & 14 at Lake Arlington. The DOT is planning to replace the pipe from the drop inlet on the east side of the highway extending eastward. The portion under the highway could potentially be lined.

The City received one quote on a message board that was \$93k to use the BBB tax money. The Council asked to invite the BBB participants to the next Council meeting to discuss what to use that money for – the past Council had requested to use it for swimming pool upgrades.

The City received a letter requesting \$1625 donation to the ROCS program for next year. The Council decided to keep the donation to \$1000.

Motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Knadle to designate Heartland as the city’s entity to sell our RECS with the understanding that the city receives all of the funds. All in favor—Carried.

The City received a quote from TextMyGov for \$3000 the first year and \$2000 annually after that. We also received information from another city that uses a company that costs significantly less than that – the Finance Officer was asked to look into the other company and get back to them.

Public Comments – Trifon Theodosopolous spoke to the Council about a misunderstanding and requested he be on the next Council agenda.

The following building permits were approved: Luke Weber – demo shed/garage at SW’LY 20’ Lot 1 & NE 68’ Lot 2, Block 29 CO Aud Plat of Outlots NE 1-110-53 - S. 4th Street. Marshal Mix also presented the Council with a building permit application and a variance request that were not approved for discussion. It was determined that there was no hardship, so the applicant would not be granted the variance should it go to a hearing, but if he sets the garage in a different direction, Marshal could sign the permit – it will now go back to the applicant for his determination of next steps.

Electric Report—None

Motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Bacon to approve the Employee Overtime and Police Report. All in favor—Carried.

The Council reviewed the Revenue/Expense, Cash and Utility Reports.

Motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Johnson to approve the first reading of the 2027 Appropriations. All in favor—Carried.

Additional Items: Last day for the pool to be open is August 18th. The September Council Meeting will be held September 2nd. The Council received a letter of concern from a citizen about a daycare, but the city cannot do anything about it. Two dog complaints were reviewed, and the Finance Officer let the Council know we received a \$500 donation to the cemetery for trees. The option of getting AFLAC was discussed and the employees can purchase it if they would like as well as vision and dental. The playground equipment was discussed and since we are not able to get the additional playground that we chose, the Council decided to receive a refund and look again next year. The Council agreed to pay the backup pool manager the \$1 wage increase when she is filling in as the manager.

The Mayor spoke to the Council about the request for the Volleyball team to have a team-bonding event at the pool next year. The Council did not have a problem with that as long as there are enough lifeguards available for the event. There was also a request to repair one of the billboards out at the airport. The Handi Mart would like to put up a new wrap, but would like to change out the plywood and asked if the city had any 20ft posts left that could be used as well. Council member Bacon said that Flandreau has some poles that we could have for free.

Attorney Wilkinson let the Council know that the city now owns two lots on North Main Street and advised the Finance Officer to contact the Treasurer and Register of Deeds to find out if there are any taxes due or liens on the property.

Motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Falconer to enter into executive session at 8:29 P.M. for personnel and contracts. All in favor—Carried.

Mayor Lundquist called the meeting out of executive session at 8:50 P.M. with no further action being taken.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bacon, seconded by Johnson. All in favor—Carried.

Stephanie Damm, Finance Officer

Curt Lundquist, Mayor

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