

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE WARROAD CITY COUNCIL**

December 22, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Tom Goldsmith called the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council to order at 4:30p.m. on December 22, 2025.

Those Present: Mayor Tom Goldsmith, Councilors Kevin Thompson, Dean Dorholt, Joe Olafson and Michele Vandal

Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator – Kathy Lovelace, City Staff – Amy Friesner, City Attorney – Steve Anderson, and Dan Trosen – Utilities.

APPROVE AGENDA:

Councilor Vandal moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously.

FISCAL/ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:

Approval of December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Councilor Vandal moved to approve the December 8, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously.

Approval of Checks

Motion made by Councilor Vandal to approve the December 2025 checks totaling \$664,591.10 (E3945-3955 = \$42,949.65, AP #56194-56249 = \$547,280.84, PR #10213-10257 = \$26,670.89, PR E#515170 = \$47,689.72).

Motion seconded by Councilor Thompson and carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The new Ambulance should be arriving the week of December 29.

No Action Taken.

UTILITY DEPARTMENT

Right-to-Service Issue

The Seven Clans Casino has sent a letter to the city and the Public Utilities Commission reopening the right-to-service issue again. City attorney Steve Anderson is recommending using the services of the same attorney that was involved in the original discussion. She has experience with the PUC and tribal issues.

Motion made by Councilor Dorholt to authorize to use legal services of Kaela Brennan of Spencer Fane to deal with the right-to-service issue with the Casino. Motion seconded by Councilor Vandal and carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Project Discussion

Council was asked to review a list of possible future projects and prioritize for discussion.

No Action Taken.

WCD Update

No Action taken.

Copy of Letter of Support for state fiscal responsibility

Motion made by Councilor Thompson to approve the proposed letter to state officials asking for state fiscal responsibility. Motion seconded by Councilor Vandal and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, *Councilor Vandal moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council of December 22, 2025.* The motion was seconded by Councilor Thompson. The meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Mayor Tom Goldsmith

City Administrator, Kathy A. Lovelace

Minutes prepared by: Amy Friesner, city staff