

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

**March 23, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Acting Mayor Kevin Thompson called the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council to order at 4:30p.m. on March 23, 2026.

***Those Present:*** Councilors Kevin Thompson, Dean Dorholt, Joe Olafson and Michele Vandal

***Absent:*** Mayor Tom Goldsmith

***Also Present:*** City Administrator – Kathy Lovelace, City Staff – Amy Friesner, Dan Trosen – Utilities, Jeff Hellquist – NM Mosquito Control, Glenda Phillipe – County, Sarah Carling – WCD and R&J broadcasting.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

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

**FISCAL/ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:**

**Approval of March 9, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes**

***Councilor Vandal moved to approve the March 9, 2026 regular meeting minutes as presented.*** The motion was seconded by Councilor Dorholt and carried unanimously.

**Approval of Checks**

***Motion made by Councilor Vandal to approve the March 2026 checks totaling \$274,175.69 (E4019-4026= \$44,596.41, AP #56560-56613 = \$172,724.77, PR #10301-10309 = \$8,308.58, PR E#515354 = \$48,545.93).*** Motion seconded by Councilor Dorholt and carried unanimously.

**2025 AUDIT PRESENTATION – BRADY MARTZ – AMANDA SCANSON**

Amanda Scanson from Brady Martz presented the Financial Statements as of December 31, 2025.

***No Action Taken.***

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**PD – Acknowledgement of Resignation**

***Motion made by Councilor Vandal to recognize the resignation of Jace Thompson.*** Motion seconded by Councilor Olafson and carried unanimously.

**UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

**Review Plans & Specs/Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Sidewalk Project**

Council was asked to review the plans and specs for the proposed sidewalk project. It would include a new sidewalk system in the southeast part of town connecting to Hwy 11 and the replacement of some areas along Elk St NW.

*Motion made by Councilor Vandal to approve the plans and specs and authorize to advertise for bids for the 2026 sidewalk project.* Motion seconded by Councilor Dorholt and carried unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Review/Approval of Mosquito Spray Contract**

Jeff Hellquist provided his proposal to the city for summer mosquito spraying. Under his current proposal, the cost of spraying would increase 3% over last year.

*Motion made by Councilor Vandal to accept the 2026 Mosquito Spraying proposal as presented with Northern Minnesota Mosquito Control excluding the minnow cost listed.*

Motion seconded by Councilor Olafson and carried unanimously.

**Gambling Permit – Warroad Area Firefighters Relief Association**

*Motion made by Councilor Vandal to approve the application by Warroad Area Firefighters Relief Association for a raffle on June 6, 2026 at Allison Park.* Motion seconded by Councilor Dorholt and carried unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MN STATUTE 13D.05 SUBD. 3 TO DISCUSS A PROPERTY ACQUISITION**

*Councilor Vandal moved to close the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council of March 23, 2026 pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05 Subd. 3 to discuss property acquisition.* The motion was seconded by Councilor Olafson and carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 5:03 p.m.

*Councilor Vandal moved to reopen the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council of March 23, 2026.* The motion was seconded by Councilor Olafson and carried unanimously. The regular meeting reopened at 5:18 p.m.,

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, *Councilor Vandal moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Warroad City Council of March 23, 2026.* The motion was seconded by Councilor Dorholt and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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Acting Mayor Kevin Thompson

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City Administrator, Kathy A. Lovelace

*Minutes prepared by: Amy Friesner, city staff*