



WATFORD CITY - CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM

City Hall - Heritage Room, 213 2nd St. NE, Watford City, ND 58854

AGENDA

- 1. 6:00 Call to Order of Regular Meeting**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Administer Oath of Office**
 - **Mayor Phillip Riely**
 - **Council Member Chelsea Bulzomi**
 - **Council Member Marco Pelton (absent)**
- 4. Motion to Accept McKenzie County Canvassing Report**
 - **2026 Primary Official Results**
- 5. Elect President of City Council**
- 6. Elect Vice President of City Council**
- 7. Consider 2-year Appointments and Committee Assignments Recommended by Mayor Riely**
 - **Appointments: 2-year terms (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2028)**
 - **City Council Committee Assignments**
- 8. Reappointment for Attorney Contract Services - Attorney Emily Ramage Geltel, Ramage Geltel Law Firm - \$275/hour + mileage. 2-year term to expire June 30, 2028**
- 9. Consider Allowing Marco Pelton to Serve on City Council and Park District**
- 10. Approve Agenda**
- 11. Public Comment Period**
- 12. Approve Minutes**
 - A. 2026-06-01 Regular Meeting
 - 2026-06-17 Special Meeting
- 13. New Liquor License Application Public Hearing - Mainstay Suites**
 - **Open Public Hearing**

- **Close Public Hearing**
 - **Approve/Deny Liquor License Application**
14. **New Liquor License Application Public Hearing - The Watford Hotel**
 - **Open Public Hearing**
 - **Close Public Hearing**
 - **Approve/Deny Public Hearing**
 15. **Rough Rider Center Update**
 16. **Golf Course Update**
 17. **Police Department Report - Chief Jesse Wellen**
 - A. State Emergency Communication Center (previously State Radio) 2027 - 2029 Rate and MOA
 - B. 2026 - 2027 SRO Annual Agreement
 - C. Request to Sell Trijicon RMR's (pistol sights)
 18. **Planning Commission**
 - A. 2026-06-29 Agenda
2026-06-29 Minutes
 - B. Building Permit Records
 19. **COMMITTEE REPORTS/MINUTES**
 20. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 21. **Cemetery**
 22. **Street, Walks, Lights**
 23. **Ambulance/Fire Department**
 24. **Additions to Agenda**
 25. **CHAIRMAN CHAVEZ COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 26. **Water, Sewer, Garbage**
 - A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-24
 27. **JDA Report**
 28. **Additions to Agenda**
 29. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 30. **Machinery and Equipment**
 31. **Ordinance**
 32. **Golf Course Board**
 33. **LEC Joint Powers Board**
 34. **McKenzie County Planning & Zoning**
 35. **Additions to Agenda**
 36. **CHAIRMAN SUTER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

37. Building

38. Additions to Agenda

39. CHAIRMAN DEVLIN COMMITTEE REPORTS

40. Personnel

- A. July Annual Step Increases: Jonathan Davis 202-4; Jana Ratkovich 100-9; Andrew Schatz 201-10; Andrew Swanson 200-7; Melanie Talley 102-10.
- B. 2026-06-25 Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Policy 101.1 Appointed Public Bodies
 - 2. Recommendation -
 - Wyatt Voll - Category Change (110-5 to 111-3)
- C. City Council Policies and Procedures
 - Policy 101 - Appointment of City Council (Revised)

41. Ways, Means, Finance

- A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-24
 - 1. Recommendation - Creation of Budget Lines for Housing Project Funds
 - 2. Recommendation - Purchase (2) Cooking Performance Group Fryers - \$2,598 (GPT Fund)
 - 3. June GPT Transfers
 - 4. Recommendation -
 - Invest Bond Reserve at BND - 3-month term
 - Invest Interest Earned at LPL Financial - up to 12 months (based on best rate available)
 - 5. June Financials
 - Cash Report
 - Expenditure Report
 - Revenue Report
 - Monthly Transfers
- B. 2026-07-06 Minutes
 - 1. RRC - RTC Quotes
 - Upgrade Quotes
 - 2. 2026 Watermain Replacement Project Additional Concrete Work
 - 3. Main Street Development Area 1 - Offer Discussion

42. Lodging Tax Committee

43. Public Technology

44. Airport

45. Home Rule Charter

46. Wolf Run Village Board

47. Additions to Agenda

48. CHAIRMAN BULZOMI COMMITTEE REPORTS

49. Roughrider Fund

A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-29

1. Build Grant Application Submitted by Wolf Pup Daycare - \$20,000/mo from July 2026 - June 2027
2. Build Grant Application Submitted by Watford City Chamber of Commerce (2026 Ribfest) - \$20,000

50. Board of Health

51. Pest/Forestry/Vector

52. Franchise

53. Additions to Agenda

54. STAFF REPORTS

55. Mayor

56. City Administrator

- A. Wolf Run Village, Inc - Wolf Pup Preschool Building Lease Renewal Request
- B. ICON Architectural Group Invoice 20260139 (Downtown Redevelopment Project) \$97,537.04

57. Superintendent of Public Works

58. City Engineer

- A. Pay Application #1 - Tand Construction (2026 Water Main Replacement Project) — \$623,175.72
- B. Moore Engineering Service Agreement

59. Community Development Department

60. City Attorney

- A. Lawsuit Update - Treloar & Burke
 1. Motion for Summary Judgment
- B. Lawsuit Update - S. Fruchey (Speedy Cab)

61. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No. 2026 -12 Resolution Deferring Special Assessment Interest 2020 - 2023

62. APPROVAL OF BILLS

63. INFORMATION

- A. Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Update

64. ADJOURNMENT

