

Dawson City Council

April 7th, 2026

5:30 pm

Council members present: Jeff Olson, Vince Adelman, Jake Bothun, Randy Stafford, David Hansen and Dean Petersen. Others present: Mayor JT Schacherer, City Manager Tyler Franzky, Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collins, City Clerk Kristin Daline, Duane Hastad, Jim Michels, David Pederson and Dave Hickey.

Mayor Schacherer called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and everyone repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the agenda with a second from Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve consent agenda item 4, March 3rd, 2026 Council Minutes and item 11, March 2026 financials. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed.

10 Minute Public Forum

Mayor Schacherer opened the 10-minute public forum at 5:31 pm. Resident Jim Michels questioned whose responsibility it was to maintain the gravel street in front of the bus garage on N 6th Street as there are several pot holes. Collins said with the condition of all gravel roads this time of year, going in with heavy equipment would do more harm than good and it's best to wait until it firms up. Resident and tree liaison Duane Hastad spoke about emerald ash borer. Hastad advised the city to have a policy in place to maintain the trees. Tyler is planning to schedule a committee meeting to address the issue and determine who on city staff would be the cities tree inspector. Hearing nothing more, Mayor Schacherer closed the 10-minute public forum at 5:44 pm.

Meetings of officers, boards & committees

The funding committee discussed financial options for Dennis Anderson's request for the Bank Museum. The committee recommended renting the bathroom again during Riverfest for \$1,000, but will not reconsider the same offer in the future.

City Manager Tyler Franzky's Report

In addition to the manager's memo, Rouge Construction will have one more pay estimate to finalize the project. Fence dividers and some landscaping will be done as soon as the weather permits. Canby Farmers Grain will be taking down the old Rod Coon building on 5th street and leaving the concrete slab. They mention in the future, possibly putting up a new grain bin in its place. The city office had a land purchase inquiry from QTE Byproducts to build an office and

shop in the industrial park. The Fire Department received a final invoice for the pumper repair. The invoice was \$34,000 vs the \$25,000 that was approved. They also had issues with the K2 tanker; a computer portion of the transmission went out. Brian went ahead with the fix, approximately \$3,000. The apple orchard owner reached out to an engineer and is working with the DNR to complete the project. A Recreation and Growth meeting will be scheduled. Aaron's last day is Thursday. The position was posted internally, still working on finding him a replacement.

New Business

The Dawson/Boyd Baseball Association (DBBA) submitted an application for a liquor license for the 2026 season. Councilman Stafford motioned to approve the liquor application with a second from Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed.

A quote to repair the transmission on the plow truck was included in the packet. The quote is for \$22,370 for a remanufactured transmission. Reviewing the budget, Tyler was looking to pull from a few funds. The general maintenance fund in R&B has carry over dollars in the fund balance. Capital outlay in street and alley fund under R&B or building capital outlay. This is the city's only truck in operation. Councilman Stafford motioned to approve the quote with a second from Councilman Hansen. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed.

Two quotes were submitted for a home demolition at 424 9th street. The County is in the middle of modifying the policy. Councilman Stafford motion to accept the bid from Olson Sanitation, contingent approval by the county, seconded by Bothun. A new garage and garden are what is intended for the space. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Hansen and Petersen. Olson abstained. Motion passed.

TruNorth has requested a change order for the solar project. The change order replaces the original 570-watt panels to 590-watt panels as there was a market availability issue of the original panels no longer being available. The difference in total cost is \$805.89. The change order would not change the reimbursement. Councilman Stafford motioned to approve the change order with a second from Councilman Petersen. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed.

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Nelson, Oyen & Torvick law office submitted a proposal for attorney services. The proposal is for six hours of retainage each month, and anything above that would be in addition. Tyler will be in contact with them to get a better break down of what the retainage hours include, ie. council meetings. Rick Stulz will submit an official proposal for prosecution. Councilman Bothun likes that they are local and in other towns. Councilman Stafford motioned to accept the proposal from Nelson, Oyen & Torvick contingent upon clarification in which Tyler will follow up on, with a second from Councilman Bothun. Voting in favor, Stafford, Bothun, Adelman, Olson, Hansen and Petersen. Motion passed.

Ehlers, the city's financial advisors reviewed the city's existing bonds to determine if refunding would be beneficial. Ehlers determined that refunding would not generate sufficient savings at this time. This report is for information only.

Miscellaneous Announcements

Thank you to Mrs. Mork's preschool class for picking up sticks in the swimming pool park. The Board of Equalization meeting is scheduled for April 14th from 5-5:30 pm. Lisa with LqP County will be here. The next city council meeting is Tuesday, April 21st at 5:30 pm.

With nothing more to discuss, Mayor Schacherer adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Daline, City Clerk

JT Schacherer, Mayor