

Dawson City Council
June 2nd, 2026
5:30 pm

Councilpersons present: Jeff Olson, Vince Adelman, Randy Stafford, and Dean Petersen. Others present: Mayor JT Schacherer, City Manager Tyler Franzky, Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collins and City Clerk Kristin Daline, City Attorney Chris Reisdorfer 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, seconded by Councilman Stafford. Voting in favor, Adelman, Olson, Stafford and Petersen. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

Councilman Petersen motioned to approve consent agenda item 4, May 19th, 2026 council minutes and item 11, May financials with a second from Councilman Stafford. Voting in favor, Adelman, Olson, Stafford and Petersen. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

10 Minute Public Forum

Mayor Schacherer opened the 10-minute public forum at 5:31 pm. Hearing nothing, the 10-minute public forum was closed.

Public Works Superintendent Kurt Collin's Report

Kurt broke down the quotes he received from Bertrum and Bituminous for seal coating. Bargaen was also asked to quote, Kurt did not receive one. Both quotes are for 28 blocks, consisting of the streets in the 2012 street project. This would be the second seal coat on these blocks.

Bituminous quote:

Broom, sealcoat 28 blocks, granite chips with CRS 2p oil. City would be responsible for brooming afterwards. \$114,345

Bertrum quote:

Broom, sealcoat 28 blocks, granite chips with CRS 2p oil at .26 gallon per square yard. Apply aggregate at 18 lbs. City would be responsible for brooming afterwards. \$87,483

Council discussed the amount of oil used between the two quotes, and expressed they would rather go on the heavier side, than lighter. A motion to accept a quote for seal coating will be made further into the meeting. Seal coating is good for 7-10 years. Funds are available in the capital improvement plan that has been building since 2022. Councilman Adelman questioned the block by hospital that has alligator cracking. Kurt said the base is not good there, might be a total reclaim. Kurt feels that if we seal coat now, we could get by for a few more years.

A recent dust storm brought a lot of sand over from the volleyball courts. Nathan has been working hard vacuuming at the pool. When the filters are turned on and off in the shallow end, sand is coming out of the bubblers. Kurt suggests having it tv'd. Nathan and Kurt will continue to keep cleaning things out. Countryside Public Health will be at the pool on Thursday for the inspection. The city crew has been working in Veteran's Park taking trees down and trimming. They have also been spraying weeds. Our new employee Riley has been doing well.

City Manager Tyler Franzky's Report

The County is discussing tree spraying costs at their next meeting.

A letter was placed at your seat for a resident concern.

The solar panels will be installed this month and be done by the end of the month at the wastewater plant.

Old Business

Callen's zoning permit. A letter from our city attorney was placed at your seat. Tyler is in continued conversations with Callens on next steps.

Old minutes pertaining to council member attendance for council meetings was included in the packet. Mayor Schacherer recommended bringing it to committee to clarify and bring for future action.

New Business

The Dawson Fire Department has submitted an application for a temporary liquor permit for Riverfest. Councilman Stafford motioned to approve the temporary permit with a second from Councilman Petersen. Voting in favor, Adelman, Olson, Stafford and Petersen. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

Seal coating quotes from Bituminous and Bertrum. Discussion was had at the beginning of the meeting regarding the two quotes. Councilman Olson motioned to approve the Bituminous quote for \$114,345 with a second from Councilman Stafford. Voting in favor, Adelman, Petersen, Olson and Stafford. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

The Larson Tiling invoice for repair work on N 4th Street was presented again. Tyler has been working with the County, Engineer and Contractor. The County said they will not pay anything towards the bill. The remaining balance is \$4,103.97. Widseth Engineering has offered to pay half of the balance (\$2,051.99). Tyler is asking for approval, with the City paying the other portion of the bill. Councilman Olson motioned to approve paying the remainder of the bill and billing Widseth for the portion agreed upon with a second from Councilman Stafford. Voting in favor, Petersen, Stafford and Olson. Opposed: Adelman. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

Council discussed options on how to move forward with the current open council seat. Options would be, leave the seat open until after elections or appoint an individual to serve until January. Bothun's position was up for re-election. City Attorney Chris mentioned the only reason to appoint is if there is something major with expenditures coming up to vote on. Councilman Stafford motioned to leave the seat open until the next election, with a second from Councilman Petersen.

A letter from Otter Tail Power was included in the packet to notify all customers of increasing rates. Information only.

Resolution & Ordinances

The 1st reading of Ordinance Amending the Setback Requirements and Accessory Structure Rules in a residential or Multiple Dwelling District within the City of Dawson. Councilman Olson motioned to approve the ordinance with a second from Councilman Stafford. Voting in favor, Adelman, Olson, Petersen and Stafford. Absent: Hansen. Motion passed.

1st reading of Summary Ordinance Amending the Setback Requirements and Accessory Structure Rules in a residential or Multiple Dwelling District within the City of Dawson was presented.

Miscellaneous Announcements

The next council meeting will be Tuesday, July 7th at 5:30 pm.

Councilman Adelman is concerned with the number of golf carts driving in town without a sticker. Tyler said that Officer Gosson had pulled over a couple people this morning. Tyler will put posts on Facebook on the matter.

With nothing more to discuss, Mayor Schacherer adjourned the meeting at 6:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Daline, City Clerk

JT Schacherer, Mayor