

The Committee of the Whole met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on March 18, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Ammann, Peloquin, Dougherty, Busse, Gearing-Lancaster, and Wussow were present. Alderperson E. Rave attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderperson M. Rave was excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

1. There were no citizens in attendance.
2. The Department Head monthly reports were reviewed. Department heads present were Darryl Nelson, Travis Brown, Cara Hart, Jarod Meyer, Mark Nordahl, and Brad Chown.
3. The Library Director advised the solar panels have¹ been installed and now just need to hook up electrical.
4. The Fire Chief advised Tyler Rush is now a Critical Care Paramedic which will allow the service to take more critical transfers and also get a higher reimbursement from Medicaid and Medicare. The service now has two (2) staff members certified at this level of care.
5. The Street Superintendent advised they had gone through 850 gallons of diesel since Sunday for snow removal operations and they will continue to be busy with snow removal the rest of the week.
6. It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to award 2026 paving bids to Mathy Construction in the amount of \$239,127.07. Motion carried.
7. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to award 8th Street curb & gutter replacement to Chippewa Concrete in the amount of \$49,084.00. Motion carried.
8. It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin to award 2026 loader bid to McCoy Construction & Forestry for a 2026 John Deere 624P in the amount of \$249,900.00 with \$50,000 trade allowance for existing loader. Motion carried.
9. It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Wussow to approve the purchase of a front mounted snow plow for the new loader from Universal Truck Equipment at a cost of \$23,987.00. Motion carried.
10. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to approve the purchase of a side mounted mid wing snow plow for the new loader from Universal Truck Equipment at a cost of \$21,108.00. Motion carried.
11. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Busse to approve the new Garbage Operator job description and the other revised Street Department job descriptions as presented. Motion carried.
12. It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin to approve the Axon Enterprises, Inc. contract for body cameras and related services for the Police Department with a 60-month term at a cost of \$55,602.41. Motion carried.
13. It was moved by Alderperson Peloquin, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to approve the Parks & Recreation Department's request to purchase a new Ferris zero turn mower from German Hill Equipment at a cost of \$17,200.00. Motion carried.
14. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to approve the vouchers for February 2026 Check #76662 - #76752 Totaling \$2,199,082.10. Motion carried.
15. It was moved by Alderperson Busse, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to approve the City Treasurer's Report for February 2026. Motion carried.
16. It was moved by Alderperson Wussow, seconded by Alderperson Ammann to approve the Revenue & Expense Reports for February 2026. Motion carried.
17. It was moved by Alderperson E. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Ammann to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:36pm.

A. Brad Chown
City Administrator