

The Common Council met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on June 2, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Dougherty, Gearing-Lancaster, Ammann, and Peloquin were present. Alderpersons M. Rave and E. Rave attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderpersons Busse, and Wussow were excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 20, 2026 Special Common Council meeting and approve as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE

There was 1 citizen in attendance. City resident John Dryak expressed his concerns with the speed of traffic in downtown, pedestrian safety in this area and recommended the Council consider reducing the speed limit to 15mph on Main Street from Water Street to 5th Street, crosswalk signs should be placed on Main Street, and perhaps consider a speed study. He also expressed concerns with the surge of electric bikes on the Foundation Trail and on the downtown sidewalks and the safety concerns they pose to others and recommended the Council consider signage on the Foundation Trail.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to place on file the minutes of the May 18, 2026 Utility Commission meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Peloquin, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster to place on file the minutes of the May 28, 2026 Board of Review meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to approve all applications for renewal of Class A, B, and C Beer, Wine, Liquor, and Wholesale Retailer Licenses for 2026-27 as presented. Motion failed for lack of a quorum 5-0-1 with Alderperson M. Rave abstaining.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to approve the application for a Temporary Alcohol Beverage License from Black River Youth Hockey for the 2026 Gun Banquet on June 27, 2026 at the 388 Melrose Street (Milt Lunda Memorial Arena). Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, seconded by Alderperson Peloquin to approve the application for a Temporary Alcohol Beverage License from the Rotary Club of Black River Fall for the Festival in the Park on July 11, 2026 at the 1400 Tyler Street. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to approve the License for Real Property between the Chamber of Commerce, the City of Black River Falls, and the United States of America to allow the military to conduct field exercises and training in the parking lot in front of the Chamber office. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Peloquin, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:25 pm.

A. Brad Chown
City Administrator