



# New Richland City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

*In Person & Online Via Go-To-Meeting*

**February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

## **Members Present**

Janda Ferguson

Matt Economy

Jason Casey

Jody Wynnemer

## **Staff Present**

Tyler Lendt – City Administrator

Shell Johnson – People Service

Curt Pederson – NRRFD Assistant

Chief

Bob Johannsen – Care Center

## **Others Present**

Bob Swenson

Pam Goehring

Larry Goehring

Scott Piehn – RadioLink

Nick Sorenson – Fidium Fiber

Molly Hendrickson – Landman

Real Estate

Mike Nash – 909 Motorsports

Steph Albert – Steeple Event  
Center

Pam – Steeple Event Center

Angel Hagen – Steeple Event  
Center

Ethan Hagen – Steeple Event  
Center

## **Members Absent**

Josh Warke

**The meeting was called to order** by Mayor Janda Ferguson at 6:30 p.m.

## **Roll Call – All members present**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Approve Agenda**

Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the agenda. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

### **Consent Agenda Items**

Motion made by Matt Economy, seconded by Jason Casey, to approve the consent agenda. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

### **Public Comments**

None

### **Request and Presentations**

- 1) Nick Sorenson – Fidium Fiber Internet.
- 2) Steeple Event Center – Liquor approval for events
  - a) Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jason Casey to grant permission to Steeple Event Center to serve Liquor at events on the premises. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
- 3) RadioLink

- 4) Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to pause the 60-day removal clock to remove equipment until after the council decides on the contract and considers the contract. Deadlocked (2 yes, 2 no). Will continue as unfinished business next month. Will ask Jason Moran to review the contract.
- 5) 213 N Broadway Ave Re-Zoning Request
  - a) Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to refer this request to the New Richland Planning Committee and add a public hearing to the next meeting. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)  
Post a public meeting
- 6) Fire Department discusses new hire and fit test equipment.
  - a) Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to authorize the hiring of a new firefighter. Carried (4-0)
- 7) Tyler Lendt – City Administrator
  - a) Executive Training Institute – On Behalf of Chief of Police Tanyce Bruegger
    - i) Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to send Chief of Police Tanyce Bruegger to the Executive Training Institute up to an amount of \$1100. Carried (3 yes, 1 present, 0 no)
  - b) Sherwin-Williams Street Paint (White 25 gallons \$650, Yellow 15 gallons \$345) total \$995 – On Behalf of Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hendrickson
    - i) Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Matt Economy to approve the purchase of street paint. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
  - c) J&R Water Utility Service \$150/hr. or \$1200/day - 3 Days for exercising valves and GPS marking main shut-offs – On Behalf of Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hendrickson
    - i) Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve the engagement of J&R Water Utility Service to complete exercising valves and GPS mapping of main shutoffs. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

## **Public Hearings**

### **Ordinances and Resolutions**

1. Resolution 26-02 – A Resolution Adopting the Waseca County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve Resolution 26-02 – A Resolution Adopting the Waseca County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
2. Resolution 26-03 – A Resolution Designating the Polling Place for 2026 Elections
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve Resolution 26-03 – A Resolution Designating the Polling Place for 2026 Elections. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

### **Department Reports**

1. Ambulance Report – In Writing
  - Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Jason Casey to accept the Ambulance Director’s Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
2. Fire Department Report – In Writing
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jason Casey to accept the Fire Department Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
3. Police Department Report – In Writing
  - Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Matt Economy to accept the Police Department Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)



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4. Care Center Report – Bob Johannsen, Care Center Administrator
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to accept the Care Center Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
5. People Service Report – Shell Johnson, Operator
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to accept the People Service Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no) Tyler Lendt directed to communicate with other cities about Finstad’s Grants
6. Maintenance & Utility Report – In Writing
  - Motion made by Matt Jason Casey and seconded by Matt Economy to accept the Maintenance Department Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

## **Unfinished Business**

1. Options for Department reporting
  - i. Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to move to every other month reporting for department heads. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
2. Minnesota Basic Code of Ordinances
  - i. Tyler Lendt is directed to begin drafting ordinances in the order on the memorandum.

## **New Business**

1. December 2025 Check Register
  - Register not ready for presentation
2. January 2026 Check Register
  - Register not ready for presentation
3. Abdo Services Offer
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer not to engage Abdo Accounting Services for Training. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
4. Water Turn-on Acknowledgement
  - Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jason Casey to adopt this form for immediate use. Carried (4 yes, 0 no) Add a communication clause to ensure both parties are present

## **Miscellaneous**

### **Administrator’s Report**

- Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to accept the administrator’s report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

## **Mayor/Council Comments**

**Adjournment**

- Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to adjourn. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)