



# New Richland City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

In Person & Online Via Go-To-Meeting

**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

### Members Present

Janda Ferguson  
Matt Economy  
Josh Warke  
Jody Wynnemer  
Jason Casey

### Staff Present

Tyler Lendt – City Administrator  
Jason Moran – City Attorney  
Heather Christensen – Deputy Clerk  
Shell Johnson – People Service  
Eric Hendrickson – Maintenance Supervisor  
Braeden Thompson – Maintenance Worker  
Bob Johannsen – New Richland Care Center  
Drew DeRaad – Police Officer

### Others Present

Bob Swenson  
Pam Goehring  
Larry Goehring  
Brenda Routh  
Scott Piehn – RadioLink  
Dan Petsinger – RadioLink  
Keith Johnson

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

### Pledge of Allegiance

#### Approve Agenda

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

#### Consent Agenda Items

Motion made by XXXMatt Economy and seconded by XXXJosh Warke to approve the consent agenda. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

### Public Comments

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*Notice: We welcome the attendance of residents of the City of New Richland at the City Council meetings. Any resident of the City of New Richland may request permission to speak at a regular scheduled council meeting on any topic that is relevant to the operation of the city. Any resident wishing to address the city council shall either call City Hall to request to be placed on the agenda or sign up 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. At the mayor's discretion, the speaker may address the topic either during the public portion of the meeting or when the item is being addressed by the council. The mayor will call upon the speaker at the appropriate time. The speaker shall state their name and the topic to be addressed. Residents are expected to use proper etiquette, decorum, and respect when addressing the council.*

#### Request and Presentations

- a. John C. Hanson

### Public Hearings

Bunkhouse ordinance hearing 6:47 opened 7:00 closed

### Ordinances and Resolutions

1. Resolution 26-07 – A Resolution Entering Into A Construction Agreement With the Minnesota Department of Transportation For Routine Maintenance By The City Upon, Along, And Adjacent to Trunk Highway No.30
  - a. Motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by XXXJosh Warke to pass Resolution 26-07. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
2. Resolution 26-08 – A Resolution Accepting Donations
  - a. Motion made by XXXJosh Warke and seconded by XXXJason Casey to pass Resolution 26-08. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
3. Ordinance 26-01 – An Ordinance Establishing Standards, Licensing, and Inspection Requirements for Bunkhouse Housing for Migrant Agricultural Workers, and Allowing Such Housing as a Conditional Use in Specified Districts
  - a. Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Matt Economy to pass Ordinance 26-01. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
  - b. Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to set fee to 250 annually. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

### **Department Reports**

1. Ambulance Report – In Writing
  - a. Asked for money to purchase a washer and dryer, some electrical work will be necessary motion made by Matt Economy and seconded by XXXJosh Warke to table to gather more information until next meeting. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
  - b. Motion made by XXXJason Casey and seconded by XXXMatt Economy to accept the Ambulance Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
2. Fire Department Report – In Writing
  - a. Motion made by XXX Josh Warke and seconded by XXXJason Casey to accept the Fire Department Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
3. Police Department Report – In Writing
  - a. Motion made by XXXJason Casey and seconded by XXXMatt Economy to accept the Police Department Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
4. Care Center Report – Bob Johannsen, Care Center Administrator
  - a. Motion made by XXXMatt Economy and seconded by XXXJason Casey to accept the Care Center Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
5. People Service Report – Shell Johnson, Operator
  - a. Rrquested \$3,200 for two chlorine sensors for the wastewater treatment plant. Matt Economy Jody Wynnemer to purchase two up to \$5,000 and to connect to sensophone. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
  - b. Requested up to \$1,500 to purchase a new metal detector for waste water treatment plant Jody Wynnemer Matt Economy 4 yes
  - c. Motion made by XXXJody Wynnemer and seconded by XXXMatt Economy to accept the People Service Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
6. Maintenance & Utility Report – Eric Hendrickson, Maintenance Supervisor
  - a. Motion made by XXXJosh Warke and seconded by XXXMatt Economy to accept the Maintenance & Utility Report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
7. Economic Development Authority – In Writing
  - a. No Action Necessary



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## **Unfinished Business**

1. February 2026 Check Register
  - a. Motion made by XXXMatt Economy and seconded by XXXJosh Warke to approve the February 2026 Check Register
2. March 2026 Check Register
  - a. Motion made by XXX and seconded by XXX to approve the March 2026 Check Register
3. Radio Link Internet – Discuss Contract
  - a. Motion to not enter into contract and ask to take equipment off in 60 days Jason Casey Jody Wynnemer. Carried (4 yes 0 no).

## **New Business**

1. April 2026 Check Register
  - a. April 2026 Check Register unavailable, will present at next meeting.

## **Miscellaneous**

## **Administrator's Report**

1. Maintenance Supervisor
    - i) Jason Casey Matt Economy 4 yes
  2. City Hall Repainting/Mural
    - i) Will verify dollar amount of paint for Michaels painting
  3. Minnesota Rural Water Seminar
  4. MCMA Conference
  5. City-Wide Clean-Up
  6. Renderings of New Park Shelter
- 2) Matt Economy Josh Warke 4 yes

## **Mayor/Council Comments**

## **Adjournment**

**Motion made by Matt Economy to adjourn at and seconded by Josh Warke . Carried (4 yes, 0 no)**

The next Regular City Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026