

City Council Meeting  
May 11, 2026

The regular Riverdale City Council meeting of May 11, 2026 was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Taylor.

Present: Alex Taylor, Ken Skuza, Mike Dirk, Jerry Orth and Auditor Del Kolke

Absent: Toni Ganje

Orth moved to approve the consent agenda. Dirk seconded. Motion carried.

Guests:

Delmer Entzel requested a zoning change for Lots 1 & 2 Block 1 Eisenhower Addition from Recreational to R3 High Density Residential. Skuza moved to approve this request. Dirk seconded. Motion carried.

Dave Beck, US Army Corps of Engineers, provided numerous bits of information pertaining to COE activity at Government Bay. The boat ramp is usable, a new vault toilet has been installed, and the handicap ramp is being relocated. A public meeting regarding the spillway project will be held in Bismarck on May 13. Construction is slated to begin 2029 – 2030.

Old Business:

A LED street lighting replacement proposal was revisited. A grant to cover 100% of the cost is being offered. Dirk moved to apply for funding as presented by Ideal Energy. Orth seconded. Motion carried.

Surplus equipment items include a street sweeper, road grader, John Deere mower and attachments, small tractor, air compressor, and pickup. Ganje will gather specs and pictures for posting in early June.

New Business:

Orth moved to designate the Central McLean News-Journal the official newspaper for the City of Riverdale. Dirk seconded. Motion carried.

Skuza moved to approve gaming site authorization for Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation to conduct games of chance at Iron Oar from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027 and gaming site authorizations for Matpac Wrestling Club to conduct games of chance at Knights Bar & Grill and Spillway Coffee House from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027. Orth seconded. Motion carried.

Council is not interested in entering into a police contract with McLean County Sheriff's Dept.

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Skuza moved to authorize up to \$30,000 for an air compressor. Orth seconded. Motion carried.

Reports:

Riverdale Fire Dept. responded to a fire at Deadman's Bay with assistance from ND Game & Fish Dept. and Underwood Fire Dept.

Taylor has begun a wetlands delineation for a washed-out area of Walnut Drive.

Dirk moved to approve a quote of \$8,800 from Bullinger Tree Service for removal of two (2) cottonwoods and one (1) ash tree near electrical lines. Skuza seconded. Motion carried. Dirk moved to authorize up to \$5,000 to address a drain issue along Iowa Avenue in the John Adams Addition. Orth seconded. Motion carried.

Water treatment plant pump and motor issues continue. The automatic transfer switch for the generator has been tested and is now operational.

Skuza reported the campground has been prepared for its scheduled May 15 opening. Skuza moved to offer the auditor position to Jonna Taylor at a rate of \$25/hour with full benefits and to begin as soon as possible. Orth seconded. Motion carried.

Auditor notified council metal recycling amounted to \$2,295.90. Kolke will be out of the office May 28 – June 2.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 8 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Executive Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Auditor