

**MONDAY, March 9, 2026 – TWIN VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Twin Valley Community Center – 7:00 PM**

MEMBERS: Harold Allrich, Tammy Carlsrud, Tracy Christianson, Mike Lampton **ABSENT:** Michael Bolton
OTHERS: Kerry Askelson, Toni Nysetvold, Pete Pazdernik, Prestin Douville, Samantha Fortier, Jodi Garza, Justin Jerde, Austin Lanoue, Ron Lanoue, Jess Riepe, Gene Thompson

PURSUANT DUE TO CALL and notice thereof the Twin Valley City Council held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 9, 2026. Vice Mayor Lampton called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA—Christianson/Allrich-m/s/p to approve Carlsrud request to discuss open meeting law and video conferencing meetings.

MONTHLY BUSINESS

Minutes—Christianson/Allrich-m/s/p to approve February minutes, Carlsrud requested notation regarding sending letters and publishing notice be added under Rental Ordinance.

Disbursements—Carlsrud/Christianson-m/s/p to approve disbursements totaling \$164,580.98, a full list of which is available for review in the City Clerk’s Office.

FIRE/RESCUE—Pazdernik reported 4 fire and 8 rescue calls for February. Had to make a few larger purchases for the Fire Department—\$2,695 for a gas detector, \$1,100 battery maintainer, and two new cold weather batteries for thermal imaging. Will be attending County Fire meeting in Halstad 3/19. Skid units are estimated to ship on 3/12. Tentative date for auction April 17-22. Alternator on Rescue Squad vehicle is out; unit is currently in Hawley for repairs. Working on updating the bylaws for the Fire & Rescue Department. Carlsrud inquired about City Emergency Operation Plan; no old plans have been located in City Offices or Fire Hall at this time.

LAW ENFORCEMENT—Report distributed from Sheriff Fall showing 37 calls for service and 185.75 hours of patrol for the month of January.

LIQUOR—February gross sales \$38,186.47, ATM revenue \$395.50. Christianson/Carlsrud-m/s/p to approve hiring Mark Korinta and Erika Ruud as part-time bartenders. Fryer has broken again; repairs parts were \$2,079.86. Nysetvold distributed quotes for the purchase of an AutoFry machine to replace current Perfect Fry unit. Council asked that she look into warranties and report back. Bar beer cooler has cooling issue, being repaired this week. Updated Council on events—last weekend held meat raffles and horse races, upcoming indoor fishing derby and live music.

Resignation received from M. Rosales, city custodian. Christianson/Allrich-m/s/p to accept resignation and thank her for her time and years of service to the City. Christianson/Carlsrud-m/s/p to advertise part-time position between 20-30 hours per week for two weeks.

EDA/PARKS—Committee met with representative to discuss upgrading playground equipment at community park. Requested Council approval to move forward with the purchase of a double-sided Splash Park & Skating rink sign for \$1,180 + tax from Indigo signs. Allrich/Carlsrud-m/s/p to approve. Public works dept. will assist in installation. Will be taking skates to get sharpened and will label as things are put away for the spring/summer. Campground reservations are coming in for summer months. RV Park is fully reserved again for Beet Harvest workers.

FINANCIALS—February financial statement given to Council for review. Per USDA Loan agreements, Johnson requested permission to create long-term sewer replacement fund and transfer \$12,000 from sewer fund for year end 2025 requirements. Carlsrud/Christianson-m/s/p to approve.

OLD BUSINESS—RENTAL ORDINANCE—Local landlords Austin Lanoue, Ron Lanoue, Jodi Garza, and Justin Jerde attended meeting to discuss proposed rental ordinance. *Austin Lanoue noted he did not receive the mailed notice.* It was explained that the ordinance was sent to the attorney for review and no issues were found. Noted

City attorney stated that the grandfather clause would not be applicable for licensing ordinances. Austin and Ron Lanoue distributed letter from Attorney Levi Liebl with dissenting opinion on the matter. Letter will be sent to Julin Law office for review. Discussed concerns with landlord responsibility over the personal matters of tenants, specifically concerned with illegal activities and/or disorderly conduct. Landlords are in agreement that they should not be held liable for the conduct on their leased premises, stating that landlords have less rights than tenants and it is very difficult to control what goes on at a property; outside of property maintenance and appearance. Feel that the Norman County Sheriff’s department need be the only authority over conduct issues. Jerde expressed concerns regarding Contract for Deed properties and landlord authority, individuals qualified for rental inspection, and privacy of tenants. Johnson expressed that original need for ordinance stemmed from the City’s attempt to assist landlords in correcting issues with properties due to complaints regarding tenant disregard for local ordinance. Council agreed to take ordinance back for review, specifically regarding tenant conduct. Christianson/Carlsrud-m/s/p to table passing ordinance for further discussion and review. Allrich/Carlsrud-m/s/p to forward letter received from Mr. Liebl to Julin Law Office for official opinion.

NEW BUSINESS—Christianson/Allrich-m/s/p to approve 1/8-page advertisement in the Promotor for Ada’s 150th Anniversary edition. Discussed advertising opportunities with KRJB.

FYI/OTHER—Board of Appeal and Equalization hearing will be held on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 6:00PM in the Community Center. Thank you note received from the Twin Valley Rider’s Club for City Donation. Carlsrud requested discussion on open meeting law be added to April agenda for discussion. Clerk has purchased a conference speaker and iPad tripod to assist with virtual attendance to future meetings.

Christianson/Carlsrud-m/s/p to adjourn, 8:49PM.

Attest: _____
RACHEL JOHNSON, CLERK TREASURER

Signed: _____
MIKE LAMPTON, VICE MAYOR

**MONDAY, March 30, 2026 – TWIN VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Twin Valley City Clerk’s Office – 12:00 PM**

MEMBERS: Michael Bolton, Tammy Carlsrud, Tracy Christianson **VIRTUAL:** Mike Lampton
ABSENT: Harold Allrich **OTHERS:** Toni Nysetvold

PURSUANT DUE TO CALL and notice thereof the Twin Valley City Council held a special meeting on Monday, March 30, 2026, to discuss the purchase of a new fryer for the Twin Valley Liquor Store. Mayor Bolton called the meeting to order at 12:00PM.

Nysetvold distributed updated quotes with warranty information for the purchase of a Autofry Ventless Fryer, model MTI-5. Discussed capabilities and specifications of the new machine. Reviewed warranties offered. Nysetvold will also be requesting a donation towards the purchase from the Twin Valley American Legion at their next meeting. Christianson/Bolton-m/s/p to approve purchase from RestaurantSupply.Com the unit priced at \$12,500, with a 5-year extended warranty at \$524, plus tax and shipping, up to a total cost of \$15,000.

Carlsrud/Lampton-m/s/p to adjourn meeting at 12:13PM.

Attest: _____
RACHEL JOHNSON, CLERK TREASURER

Signed: _____
MICHAEL BOLTON, MAYOR
