

REG SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINS

Thursday, April 9, 2026 5:00 PM in Council Chambers

- 1) CALL MTG TO ORDER; Mayor called mtg to order at 5p.m.
- 2) ROLL CALL; 6 present, 2 absent
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
- 4) PUBLIC COMMENTARY;
None.
- 5) Spooner Area School District Superintendent;
Not presently here, but we will circle back upon arrival.
Maggie Banker – introduce herself to Council. There are 21 municipalities that feed school district. Discussed financial situation within district. Looking forward to partnership.
- 6) Mayor Comments;
Spring Clean-up is scheduled for May 18th. Spring Election – thank election workers who managed day, they did good job. On sad note, Bill Andrea passed away. Businessman in Spooner. Ask to keep his family in their thoughts and prayers. Re-org will be on Apr 21, 2026.
- 7) Arbor Day Proclamation;
Mayor read Arbor Day Proclamation. We have not set date for tree planting program with Elementary school. Summarized City's tree ordinance and approved trees.
Motion (Gabriel/Everroad) to adopt Arbor Day Proclamation for Fri, Apr 24, 2026. PASSED.
- 8) Make Movement Day Proclamation;
Mayor read Make Movement Day proclamation.
Motion (Krueger/Gabriel) to adopt Make Movement Day proclamation for Sat, Apr 25, 2026.
- 9) Approval of Agenda;
Motion (Gabriel/Krueger) to approve agenda. PASSED.

10) CONSENT AGENDA:

**All items listed with (*) are considered routine and will be enacted by 1 motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless Council member so requests, in which event item will be removed from General Order of Business and considered at this point to agenda.

- a) *Accept Mins from Mar 3, 2026 Council Mtg;
- b) *Finance Committee Recommendation to approve mnthly payable cks: 53337 – 53495, 20260225, 20260227, 20260302, 20260313, 20260320, 26030301 - 26030305, 26031701 – 26031706, 202603181 - 202603201;
- c) *Finance Committee Recommendation to allow staff to continue TID annexation;
- d) *Finance Committee Recommendation for City Admin Koverman draft letter for partnership with Spooner Health;
- e) *Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve 2026 MSA GIS Service contract for \$10,000;
- f) *Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Wastewater Treatment Plant Blower SCADA Monitor Quote for \$39,095;
- g) *Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Merchant Park, May 23, 2026, Luke & Sarah Meier and to notify Spooner Cardinals and Spooner Baseball with any future requests for Merchant Park usage;
- h) *Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve:
 - Centennial Park, Aug 7 & 8, 2026, Spooner Women's Club
 - Centennial Park, multiple dates, Spooner Congregation of Jehovah's Witness;
- i) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve parking lot closure to WI Canoe Heritage Museum for May 22, 2026;
- j) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve sewer forgiveness request in amount of \$1,187.28.

Motion (Gabriel/Krueger) to approve consent agenda, items a – j. PASSED.

11) DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- a) CSM of Lot 3 of CSM 2677 and part of Outlot 92 of Assessor's Plat, located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32, TWP 39N, R12W, City of Spooner for Schultz Real Estate Group; Olson is owner of property on Service Drive. Looking at selling piece of property that has been in question over ownership. Trailer park has been using for storage for quite some time. Outlot will be purchased by mobile home park owner. Has been an ongoing issue. Brost was present for any questions on CSM? None.
Motion (Everroad/Gabriel) to approve CSM of Lot 3 of CSM 2677 and part of Outlot 92 of Assessor's Plat, located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32, TWP 39N, R12W, City of Spooner for Schultz Real Estate Group. PASSED.
- b) Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve RES 26-04, 04-09-2026, Notice of Moyer Disallowance of Claim;
Koverman – summarized claim and explained City's Ordinance has been amended to clarify the ownership of sewer laterals. Issue with resident's lateral was clog caused by roots and connection point between his private lateral and sewer main. We would have not known there were any issues. Resident did read code and brought to our attention that private sewer lateral wasn't clearly defined. Insurance recommends disallowance, but city can choose to do something for resident.
Motion (Krueger/Dunn) to approve RES 26-04, 04-09-2026, Notice of Moyer Disallowance of Claim. PASSED.

- c) Finance Committee Recommendation to pay for 1/2 of the cleaning fee with stipulation that this doesn't create liability and we won't help with repair cost;
Motion (Gabriel/Everroad) to pay \$237 for half of the cleaning bill, but this action doesn't create liability and we won't pay any add'l costs. PASSED.
- d) Municipal Operations Committee to suggest approval of 20k lbs of project to Farhner Asphalt in 2026 at a cost of \$75,000;
Decided to do twice amount of project than we normally would being price is locked for 2026. This is due to forecasted petroleum pricing increase.
Motion (Everroad/Parker) to approve purchase of 20k lbs of project to Farhner Asphalt in 2026 at a cost of \$75,000. Roll call vote: 6 yes, 2 absent, 0 no. PASSED.
- e) Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve a 2026 Safe Step project for \$10,000;
In 2025, sidewalks were milled. Like to continue this project in 2026. Survey to determine which sidewalks are suitable for repair. Program will determine which sidewalks need replacements. We have 2 yrs of sidewalk projects for milling. Target older downtown area. Replacing sidewalks will be discussed by Muni Ops.
Motion (Gabriel/Everroad) to approve 2026 Safe Step project for \$10,000.
Roll call vote: 5 yes, 1 no, 2 absent. PASSED.
- f) Property Planning Committee Recommendation to award to Rice Lake Glass Door for City Hall doors replacement at a cost of \$13,628;
North and south doors of city hall to be replaced.
Motion (Dunn/Krueger) to award Rice Lake Glass & Door for City Hall doors replacement at a cost of \$13,628. Roll Call Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 2 absent. PASSED.
- g) Property Planning Committee Recommendation to award bid to C&A Customer Contractors \$27,500 for garage roof;
PD garage roof
Motion (Krueger/Gabriel) to award bid to C&A Customer Contractors \$27,500 for garage roof. Roll call vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 2 absent. PASSED.
- h) Temp Class "B" License (Picnic License), WI Heritage Museum, May 23, 2026;
Motion (Gabriel/Parker) to approve Temp Class "B" License (Picnic License), WI Canoe Heritage Museum, May 23, 2026. PASSED.
- i) Centennial Park and RR Park, June 21, 2026, Make Music Day, Mary Hemshrot;
Motion (Everroad/Krueger) to approve Centennial Park and RR Park, June 21, 2026, Make Music Day, Mary Hemshrot. PASSED.
- 10) STAFF RPTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
- a) Financial Rpt Feb 2026;
Motion (Everroad/Gabriel) to accept Financial Rpt Feb 2026. PASSED.
- b) Chief's Rpt;
Activities – working on grants for PD needs, still recruiting for PT officers. Chief participated in poverty simulation drill. Unique training opportunity to step in other people financial situation. Chief hosted chief's mtg with area depts. Looking to trade out work between depts to assist with festivals. Horsch attended annual taser instructor training. Assisted Shell Lake PD with SRT call. Responded to welfare check and located male subject deceased from natural causes. Called to residence with EMT for male who had fallen in outdoor fire. Subject later succumbed to injuries.
Total 1,095 calls. Mayor - busy department. Good job chief and appreciate their efforts.
- c) BID Rpt;
Progressing with commercial district, working with plan commission with design standards. Not required, but will help advice. Will have grants available. BID is updating operating plan and writing bylaws. Installing new free public parking sign off of Walnut Street.
- d) Library Liaison Rpt;
Bodzislav - lot of programs coming up like Make Movement Day. Exciting stuff, architect moving forward, had fun mtg and are optimistic. Library Board compromised on size of library. Have \$500k pledge. Hoping to receive additional pledge to launch program. \$4.5 - \$8.5 million for library project. Architect is helping, will be beautiful and will fulfill needs. Creating space to make expansion possible in future. Don't have final assessment. Shell is in bad shape from water issues. Board has to make decision. Should have rpt soon. Architect is aware of reality of situation, align with intended use. Renovate/demolish is yet to be determined. Community Engagement/feedback scheduled for May 5th, from 5-7pm after City Council mtg. Looking for grants and have requested appropriations. Lot of hard work. Appreciate city's partnership.
- 11) ADJOURNMENT:
Motion (Everroad/Parker) to adjourn mtg. PASSED. Mtg adjourned at 5:43 p.m.
- ATTESTED BY:
Gary J. Cuskey, Mayor
Krista J. Lyons-Hartwig, City Clerk/Treasurer