

**MINUTES OF MENNO CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**April 14, 2025**

Mayor Darrell Mehlhaf called the city council to order at 6:00 p.m. on April 14, 2025 in the finance office at city hall. Council answering roll call: George Cokens, Ron Diede, Jerry Fischer, Tyler Goehring and Jacob Mettler. Finance Officer Jodi Fischer, Superintendent Anthony Cokens, Ambulance Director Terah Schoenfish, Jayme Kocourek, Tommy Hall, and Krista Derby were also present.

**Agenda:** Mettler moved to approve the agenda. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**REGULAR MEETING ITEMS: Minutes:** Fischer moved to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2024 regular meeting and the March 17, 2025 equalization meeting. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Finance Report:** Diede moved to approve the March finance report. Goehring seconded the motion. All votes aye.

	General	Restricted GO Bond	Water	Sewer	Bond Ph 1 Sewer Surchg	Dev Ph 2 Sewer Surchg	Restricted Perpetual Care	Totals
<b>Checking Balance 02/28/25</b>	<b>1,105,106.83</b>	<b>89,997.47</b>	<b>29,437.24</b>	<b>203,825.83</b>	<b>65,825.44</b>	<b>29,293.76</b>	<b>2,477.86</b>	<b>1,525,964.43</b>
Warrants:	(43,634.50)	0.00	(8,163.47)	(5,463.90)	0.00	(3,077.00)	0.00	(60,338.87)
<b>JE Adjustment - March 2025</b>	184.01		(550.02)	153.97	113.92	98.12		<b>0.00</b>
Receipts:	45,586.80	513.24	13,636.88	8,071.77	2,471.71	3,234.28	0.00	<b>73,514.68</b>
Interest:	608.07	49.60	18.83	166.88				<b>843.38</b>
<b>Checking Balance 02/28/25</b>	<b>1,107,851.21</b>	<b>90,560.31</b>	<b>34,379.46</b>	<b>206,754.55</b>	<b>68,411.07</b>	<b>29,549.16</b>	<b>2,477.86</b>	<b>1,539,983.62</b>
<i>Profit or (Loss) for the month</i>	<i>2,744.38</i>	<i>562.84</i>	<i>4,942.22</i>	<i>2,928.72</i>	<i>2,585.63</i>	<i>255.40</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<b>14,019.18</b>

**Council Financial Review:** The council reviewed the bank statements, credit card invoices, bank reconciliation, automatic withdrawals, receipts and checks written during the month of March.

**Release Funds:** Cokens moved to release the annual funds of \$1500.00 to the Menno Baseball Association. Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Warrants:** Fischer moved to approve the following warrants. Goehring seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

**WARRANTS APPROVED:** Council 672.64; Mayor 207.79; Finance 2193.06; Buildings 43.63; Police 4297.62; Street 3022.56; Cemetery 161.61; Ambulance 1068.40; Library 233.41; Development 282.25; Water 1670.44; Sewer 1685.64; Aflac, insurance 140.92; Wellmark BCBS, group insurance 5795.68; VSP, vision insurance 42.60; SDRS, retirement 2125.94; SDRSP, supplemental retirement 570.00; EFTPS, payroll taxes 4455.37. **Utilities:** NorthWestern Energy, electricity & gas 5791.68; Golden West, phone 416.78; AT&T Mobility, police cell phone 54.35; SD State Treasurer, sales tax 339.94; USDA, Phase 2 sewer loan pmt 3077.00; Badger Meter, professional services 159.18; Barnes & Noble, library books 241.27; B-Y Water, water 4782.00; Bound Tree, supplies 37.00; Cardmember Services, supplies-conference-license 201.76; Continental Western Group, fire pak insurance 13122.00; DSG, supplies 55.23; Dept of Health, samples 15.00; Green Eggs & Ram, IT services 125.85; Jensen Insurance, property insurance 33261.00; Klautt Service, fuel-supplies 1082.76; Liebl Plumbing, repair 87.25; Matheson Tri-Gas, amb supplies 249..21; Darrell Mehlhaf, mileage reimbursement 178.22; Menno Baseball, annual contribution 1500.00; Menno Lumber, supplies 515.54; Mettler Implement, supplies 93.26; Myer's Sanitation, 280 residential 5110.00; Power People 4-H, flowers 250.00; Principal Life, group ins. 950.20; Riteway Business Forms, payroll checks 162.89; SD Municipal League, District III meeting 90.00; SD Unemployment 98.79; SCPI, publishing 475.51; SD One Call, locates 21.21; Total Stop, fuel 116.30; Tyndall NAPA, supplies 573.91; US Bank, hwy 18 sewer loan pmt 3191.96; Walter Welding, repair 26.40; Water Management Solution, repair-rental 660.50.

**Police Report:** Mettler moved to approve the police report. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye. Attempted break in at a residence, report of 2 individuals trying to steal diesel fuel, report of suspicious person, motorist assist, report of glass on 491<sup>st</sup> south of town/was in Yankton county-reported it to them, assisted with a fatal car accident, 2 reports of dogs running loose in town, assisted Freeman PD with a report of vandalism, report of an individual walking south of town through fields and on the road, report of individuals walking in a pasture south of town, had a mental health committal for evaluation.

**NEW BUSINESS: lamResponding:** Schoenfish informed the council that lamResponding is a communication and alerting platform used by emergency services. Its main purpose is to improve response times and coordination during emergencies. Per the quote that was received it would cost \$300 per year for 0-100 calls/yr. The ambulance and fire department would each have to have their own subscription. Mettler moved to purchase this platform for both the ambulance and fire departments. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Mow & Spray:** Diede moved to place an ad in the newspaper reminding citizens to keep their lawns mowed and weeds sprayed in compliance with City ordinances. Goehring seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Flowers – 5<sup>th</sup> St:** Goehring moved to pay up to \$250 for the Power People 4-H to plant flowers in the planters along 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Fischer seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Mosquito Workshop:** Goehring moved to have Anthony Cokens & Corbin Auch attend the 2025 Spring Mosquito Workshop in Mitchell on April 24th. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**HR & FO School:** Cokens moved to pay registration and related expenses for Jodi Fischer to attend Human Resources and Finance Officers' school in Pierre June 10-13<sup>th</sup>. Fischer seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Executive Session:** Cokens moved to enter into executive session at 6:24 p.m. for personnel according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Mayor Mehlhaf declared out of executive session at 7:12 p.m.

Diede moved to acknowledge Brenna Edelman as the 2025 pool manager and to pay her \$16.00 per hour. Goehring seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Goehring moved to hire Johnny Woehl as RU site manager and to pay him \$13.00 per hour. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Next Meeting:** The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Mettler moved to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF MENNO, SOUTH DAKOTA**

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Jodi Fischer, Finance Officer

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Darrell J Mehlhaf, Mayor

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