

Hunter City Council
August 4, 2025

The Hunter City Council was called to order by the Mayor Brad Nitsch @ 7:00 pm. The council members Chad Hauser, Dixie Sloggett, Joyce Schneider and Brian Christianson were present. Also in attendance was Laura Pahls and Serrina Schneider

Guests- City Judge Crystal Miner, Matt Schroeder, Ruth Roberts and Max Pounds

Minutes were read— Joyce Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Chad Hauser 2nd. Motion carried.

Bills were read - Question was asked about the EMC Insurance, Laura explained that the café had paid their 2/3 share. Chad Hauser made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Brian Christianson 2nd, motion carried.

Water report—Have 4 on the late water list. The water loss for the month was 23,000. The mayor asked how much water bills are totaling each month, and what is paid to just MCRW. Laura explained that information is on your budget and checkbook sheet each month.

Community room report -\$400 for the month of July. The café turned in an application for off premise sale of cereal malt beverages. Joyce Schneider made a motion to approve the application. Dixie Sloggett 2nd. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report— Budget is at 48%.

Budget Hearing—Laura discussed that our budget next year will be going back up a little. Chad Hauser made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Brian Christianson 2nd. Motion carried.

Resignation from Lissa Sigle for Code Enforcement and mowing was discussed. Brian Christianson made a motion to accept the resignation. Joyce Schneider 2nd. Motion carried.

Camera at the city lot at 2nd and Wagner - tabled

Dream Big 2.0 update: Laura gave update on Dream Big grant. The clerk also stated that a grant was submitted to Solomon Valley Community Foundation for the next project. Lean-to Shelter and recreational area next to city hall.

Mayor Brad Nitsch addressed Matt Schroeder about the old hardware on the corner of 1st and main. Discussion was had on this matter. Matt Schroeder stated that it will be cleaned up within the next year. That will be August 4, 2026. Matt Schroeder stated that the city should get a grant to help tear it down. Laura will investigate this and see if there is anything out there.

It was brought to Matt Schroeder's attention that he is in violation of ordinance #209 by having silage trucks on the streets and city easements. He stated that they would be removed by the end of the week.

Clerk's wages—Currently the clerk is making \$350.00 per month, after discussion Chad Hauser made a motion to raise Laura Pahls Clerk pay to \$500.00 per month. Brian Christianson 2nd. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater Operator wage - Currently Laura is making \$300.00 per month, after discussion Chad Hauser made a motion to raise Laura Pahls water/wastewater operator to \$500.00 per month. Brian Christianson 2nd. Motion carried.

Mayor Brad Nitsch reminded all that 1st street would be closed off on August 16, 2025, for the Fire Department Fundraiser. Hope to see everyone there.

Matt Schroeder - nothing

Joyce Schneider made a motion to adjourn. Dixie Sloggett 2nd. Motion carried.