

**BELLE PLAINE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2025**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Ladd led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Ladd recognized the passing of former Belle Plaine Mayors Tim Lies and John Ploetz acknowledged their contributions and held a moment of silence.

2. CALL TO ORDER. 2.1. Roll Call.

The Belle Plaine City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, August 4, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the council chambers of City Hall, 215 North Meridian Street, Belle Plaine, MN. Mayor Ladd called the meeting to order with Councilmembers Rex Stacey, Luke Otto and Brady Hartmann present. Councilmember Evans was not present.

Also present were Community Development Director Smith Strack, Public Works Superintendent Otto, City Attorney Vose, Finance Director Jirik, City Engineer Duncan and Police Chief Stier. City Administrator Meyer was present via Zoom Video Conference. Wanda Savage served as the video recording operator.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION by Councilmember Hartmann, second by Councilmember Otto, to approve the Agenda as presented. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. PUBLIC FORUM.

**Anyone wishing to address the Council must sign up before the meeting and then have a seat in the audience. The signup sheet is removed 5 minutes before the start of the meeting. Maximum of three (3) minutes per speaker. No official action will be taken.*

Lindsey Hallett, 971 Prestwick Drive, spoke in advocacy for her children and anyone with disabilities within the community.

Tracy Hein, 315 S. Cedar Street, spoke on the 2025 Street Project, against the police station and requested the City look at one refuse hauler.

Nancy Gallagher, 300 E. Park Street, spoke in favor of one citywide refuse company, inquired on if the City has considered a moratorium on building and suggested a meeting where residents could see the issues at the Police Department.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.

5.1. Regular Session Minutes of July 21, 2025.

5.2. Work Session Minutes of July 21, 2025.

5.3. Resolution 25-090 Adopting the Special Assessment for Delinquent Fire Bills.

5.4. Resolution 25-092 Approving Staff Changes for the 2025 Aquatic Center Season.

MOTION by Councilmember Hartmann, second by Councilmember Stacey, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: 5.1. Regular Session Minutes of July 21, 2025; 5.2. Work Session Minutes of July 21, 2025; 5.3. Resolution 25-090 Adopting the Special Assessment for Delinquent Fire Bills and 5.4. Resolution 25-092 Approving Staff Changes for the 2025 Aquatic Center Season. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTIOIN CARRIED.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

6.1. Public Works Department.

Public Works Superintendent Otto highlighted the Public Works Department.

6.2. City Engineer Department.

City Engineer Duncan highlighted the Engineer Report.

6.3. Administration Department.

City Administrator Meyer highlighted the Administration Report.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.

8. BUSINESS.

8.1. Presentation of Claims.

8.1.1. Pay Request No. 3, Wm. Mueller & Sons, Inc. for the 2025 Improvement Project.

MOTION by Councilmember Stacey, second by Councilmember Hartmann, to approve the reviewed claims of August 8, 2025 in the amount of \$790,183.88. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

8.2. Resolution 25-093 Awarding Quote for the Replacement of the Roof at the Episcopal Church.

Public Works Superintendent Otto reviewed the replacement of the roof at the Episcopal Church.

Council held discussion.

MOTION by Councilmember Hartmann, second by Councilmember Stacey, to approve Resolution 25-093 Awarding Quote for the Replacement of the Roof at the Episcopal Church. Councilmembers Hartmann, Stacey and Otto VOTED AYE. Councilmember Ladd ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED 3-1.

8.3. Resolution 25-091 Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Well No. 5 and Well House Project.

City Engineer Duncan reviewed the Change Order Request for Well Number 5 and Well House Project.

Council held discussion.

MOTION by Councilmember Stacey, second by Councilmember Hartmann, to approve Resolution 25-091 Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Well No. 5 and Well House Project. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. ADMINISTRATION.

9.1. Upcoming Tentative Meetings.

1. Downtown Music & Food Trucks, Wednesday, August 6, 4:30 – 8:00 PM.
2. EDA, Monday, August 11, 5:00 PM.
3. Planning, Monday, August 11, 6:00 PM.
4. Public Safety, Tuesday, August 12, 7:00 AM.
5. Public Works, Wednesday, August 13, 7:00 AM.
6. Parks Commission, Monday, August 18, 5:00 PM.
7. City Council, Monday, August 18, 6:00 PM.
8. Work Session, Monday, August 18, 6:15 PM.

The Council was reminded of upcoming tentative meetings as listed.

10. ADJOURN.

MOTION by Councilmember Otto, second by Councilmember Hartmann, to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 PM. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Eyrich
Recording Secretary