

The Clear Lake City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 11, at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Lisa Lundberg presiding. Those present were Alderwomen Ramona Drake and Amy Bjerke, Aldermen Rod Pauli, Matt Stormo and Jonas Reppe. Alderman Jamie Hintz arrived later in the meeting. Also present were Mary Krueger, Todd Boyd, Val Lundquist, Terry Wolf, Alex Abplanalp, Deb Adkins, Gary Eide, Tina Drinker, Cody Drinker, Marlin Bjerke, Eric Stadsvold, Brad Whitman, Mike Harris, Holly Schaefer, Phyllis Nieman, Harry Mewherter, Collin Niemann, Heather Mahon, Jaden Martinell, Cody Krause, Gina Pantzke, Marjean Diekman, Arnie Krause, and Lewaine Krause. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and then called to order by Mayor Lundberg.

Mayor Lundberg asked for disclosure of conflicts with the presented agenda. There were no conflicts of interest.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve the agenda as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded Pauli to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes – Regular Meeting April 13, 2026; Monthly Financial Statements for the Month Ending April 30, 2026; Delinquent Water Bills. Approval of Warrants. Approve Mobile Food Vendor license applications: Soda Corral – April 24 & 25, 2026 behind Florals & Finds. Approval of mobile food vendor license permits is subject to all paperwork being signed and submitted to the Finance Officer. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Warrants Approved: PAYROLL: Council 1000.00; Mayor 325.00; Finance 5953.07; Gen Gov't Building 554.94; Building Inspector 200.00; Streets 7847.71; Snow 285.67; Rubble Site 151.32; Parks 4490.18; Library 3826.66; Community Center 147.04; Water 4730.98; Sewer 4637.12; Aflac 201.89; Madison National Life 15.00; SD Retirement 3381.82; Assurity Life Insurance 129.58; Optilegra 46.51; Health Pool of SD 7396.89; Delta Dental of SD 326.00; Sioux Valley FCU 200.00; Dnb-Fica/Wh 7641.98. EXPENSES: A&B Business Solutions 160.48 Copier Contract, Banner Associates, Inc 26577.56 Project Expenses, Bjerke Sanitation 8997.81 Sanitation Services, Bobcat Of Brookings 8000.00 Skid Steer After Trade In, Boyd Law Firm, Prof. L.L.C. 922.50 Legal Fees, Brookings-Deuel Rws 10789.90 Water Tap And Purchase Fees, Marty Brown 400.00 Comm Center Deposit Refund, Canby Chiropractic Center 95.00 Dot Physical, Connie Chaney 150.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Clear Lake City Library 1143.44 Books And Supplies, City Of Clear Lake 668.85 City Utilities, Clear Lake Building Center 441.04 Misc Supplies, Clear Lake Courier 1063.56 Publications And Supplies, Cole Paper Inc. 83.10 Janitorial Supplies, Deuel County Sheriff 6546.95 Law Enforcement Contract, Deuel County Farmers Union Oil 949.46 Misc Supplies, Deuel Area Baseball 50.40 Refund On Building Permit, Mary Stevens Dohman 150.00 Meter Deposit Refund, Eastside Equipment 279.11 Misc Supplies, First Bank & Trust 514.01 Credit Card Purchases, Glacial Lakes & Prairies 300.00 Advertising E Newsletter, H-D Electric Coop, Inc 216.79 Electric Energy, Halme, Inc. 97995.81 Pay Application 7, Hawkins Inc 3173.30 Pool Chemicals And Supplies, Lake Area Door 10219.41 Rubble Site Door, Mac's Watertown 87.98 Misc Supplies, Maynard's Food 95.33 Misc Supplies, Mcleod's Printing & Office 39.09 Election Supplies, Menards 270.76 Misc Supplies, Milbank Winwater Works 137.38 Water Repairs, Northwestern Energy 600.09 Natural Gas Energy, Ottertail Power Co 3343.67 Electric Energy, Sd Department Of Health 40.00 Water Testing, Ron's Saw Shop 1599.97 Misc Supplies, Runnings Farm And Fleet 47.96 Misc Supplies, Sanford Health Occ Med 32.00 Drug Testing, Sd State Treasurer (Sd Dor) 657.15

Sales Tax Due To State, Steve Rhody Services 50.00 Window Washing Services, Star Laundry 48.48 Custodian Services, Two Trees Technologies 549.00 It Services And Backup, United States Dept Of Ag 6107.00 Sewer Usda Loan.

No one present at the meeting spoke for public voice.

In unfinished business, the second reading of Ordinance No. 657 Amending Ordinance 1-3-4 Regarding City Council President and Vice President was held.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 657 Amending Ordinance 1-3-4 Regarding City Council President and Vice President. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 658 Amending Ordinance 1-4-1 Regarding Employees and Officers was held.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Stormo to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 658 Amending Ordinance 1-4-1 Regarding Employees and Officers. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 659 Amending Ordinance 1-4-5 Regarding Special Duties of the Finance Officer was held.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 659 Amending Ordinance 1-4-5 Regarding Special Duties of the Finance Officer. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 660 Amending Ordinance 1-4-9 Regarding Employee's Benefits, Expenses, Holidays, Jury Duty, Residence, Sick Leave and Vacation was held.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Drake to approve and adopt Ordinance 1-4-9 Regarding Employee's Benefits, Expenses, Holidays, Jury Duty, Residence, Sick Leave and Vacation. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 661 Amending Ordinance 1-4-4 Special Duties of City Attorney was held.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Reppe to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 661 Amending Ordinance 1-4-4 Special Duties of City Attorney. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 662 Amending Ordinance 1-4-6 City Planning and Development Officer was held.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 662 Amending Ordinance 1-4-6 City Planning and Development Officer. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 663 Amending Ordinance 2-2-2 Manufactured or Mobile Homes was held.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 663 Amending Ordinance 2-2-2 Manufactured or Mobile Homes. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 664 Amending Ordinance 3-1-2 Regarding Kennels and Domestic Pets was held.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 664 Amending Ordinance 3-1-2 Regarding Kennels and Domestic Pets. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 665 Amending Chapter Name of Ordinance 3-1-9 Regarding Unregistered Dogs And Cats was held.

Motion by Stormo, seconded by Pauli to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 665 Amending Chapter Name of Ordinance 3-1-9 Regarding Unregistered Dogs And Cats. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to adjourn as the 2025-2026 Council. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Convened as 2026 – June, 2027 Council.

Mayor Lundberg appointed Mona Drake for a 1-year term for Ward III Council Member. Ramona Drake took her Oath of Office for Alderman Ward III for a 1-year term. Mary Krueger took her Oath of Office for Finance Officer and Todd Boyd took his Oath of Office for City Attorney.

Pauli nominated Bjerke for President.

Motion by Stormo, seconded by Drake that nominations cease, and a unanimous ballot be cast for Amy Bjerke as Council President. Upon roll call, all voted aye with Bjerke abstaining. Motion carried.

Drake nominated Stormo for Vice President.

Motion by Reppe, seconded by Pauli that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Matt Stormo as Council Vice President. Upon roll call, all voted aye with Stormo abstaining. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Pauli to accept committee appointments recommended by Mayor Lundberg. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

CITY FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE: Mona Drake, Jamie Hintz, Jonas Reppe

CITY POLICIES COMMITTEE: Mona Drake, Jonas Reppe, Matt Stormo

CITY FINANCE COMMITTEE: Amy Bjerke, Jonas Reppe, Matt Stormo

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE: Mona Drake, Matt Stormo, Rod Pauli

CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE: Amy Bjerke, Jamie Hintz, Rod Pauli

CITY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Amy Bjerke, Rod Pauli, Jamie Hintz

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND PLANNING COMMISSION: All City Council Members

CITY ATTORNEY: Todd Boyd

CITY FINANCE OFFICER: Mary Krueger

CITY SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Elliott Furman

HEALTH OFFICER: Designee of Deuel County Memorial Hospital

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Jami Martinell, President – Barb Mortimer, Vice President – Laurie Musch, Trustee – Shelley Martinmaas, Trustee – Rogene Severson, Trustee – Amy Bjerke, City Council Representative

CLAD (CLEAR LAKE AREA DEVELOPMENT) BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Cody Krause, Chairman – Austin Konold, Vice Chairman – Matt Stormo, Secretary/Treasurer – Harry Mewherter, County Representative – Jonas Reppe, City Representative – Joe Raml – Gary Eide – Deb Adkins, Executive Director – Jerad Gass, Legal Counsel – Shannon Stava, Accountant

SUMMER REC BOARD: Danay Nielsen, Deidra Clausen, Brittane Collins, Hannah Reichling, and Curstie Konold

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Reppe to approve the consent agenda as follows:
Building Permits: Approved: L & J Tekrony, LLC – Northside Acres Industrial Park – Steel Vaulted Building with Porch on 3.2 Acres, Marty & Alida Spilde – 512 5th St W – Cement Pad 18'x18' (reapply and add), Angela Hamilton – 604 7th Ave S – 7.5'x18' Shed, Jodie Bjerke – 203 & 207 6th Ave S – 6' Fence, Courtnie Uckert – 310 3rd Ave S – New Building Sign, Kurt Wolk – 603 Circle Dr – 24'x26' Building, Nathan Pederson – 808 6th Ave S – Concrete Patio. Demo Permits: Approved: Tammie Wolk – 603 Circle Drive – Shed, Mary Krueger – 105 5th St S - Shed; Floodplain Development Permit – FEMA permit approved for Main Lift Station Project. Excavation Permit: Bailey Becker – 509 9th Ave S. Transient Merchant Application: Approved: Monkey Business Treats LLC – 47610 193rd St, Toronto, SD – Mobile Unit, June 2026. Travel and Accommodations Approved for Mary Krueger to attend SD Governmental Finance Officer and HR School, June 9-12, 2026, Oacoma, SD. Transient Merchant Permits are subject to all paperwork being signed and submitted to the Finance Officer and that the applicant provides the city with proof of liability insurance, and SD Sales tax. Approvals of permits are subject to the conditions that they are in accordance with all ordinances of the City. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to convene as Board of Adjustment. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held for a Conditional Use Permit for Eric Stadvold of National Defense Corporation, WI for the expansion of manufacture, storage and testing operations of the facility known as Tech Ord. Mayor Lundberg opened the public hearing for everyone in attendance. Mike Harris of Amtec Corp. and Eric Stadvold of National Defense Corp. gave an overview of the expansion project. This is a multi-million dollar project to expand Tech Ord east of the current facility. The new addition would be a testing facility with a warehouse and bunkers. They expect to break ground in June, 2026, adding 35 new jobs and being fully operational by 2029. Other locations were evaluated but South Dakota was chosen due to positive community impact and the state of South Dakota fully supporting national defense. They added from a safety perspective, they follow US government safety codes and National and Federal code compliance – all which have stricter rules than local or state compliances. Harris and Stadvold opened the floor to questions. LeWaine Krause asked about the exact location. Marlin Bjerke had many questions and comments. Bjerke addressed discharge of waste, water contamination and safety concerns; he wanted to know what the 35 positions would entail. Bjerke asked if the CUP allows for building missiles. Harris and Stadvold assured everyone this is not a missile-building facility. They answered Krause and Bjerke's questions addressing concerns. Bjerke had further concerns that Clear Lake would be a top target in potential warfare. Harris and Stadvold did agree. Bjerke went on with questions about their second phase in testing and if noise would be an issue. Harris and Stadvold felt the new facility would not cause issues that were brought up at the hearing.

Alderman Hintz entered the meeting.

Mayor Lundberg closed the public hearing and asked the Board of Adjustment for their recommendation.

Motion by Pauli as Board of Adjustment, seconded by Reppe to approve the conditional use permit for Eric Stadsvold of National Defense Corporation, WI for the expansion of manufacture, storage and testing operations of the facility known as Tech Ord. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held for a Conditional Use Permit for Tina Drinker of 413 9th Ave S for a cottage home bakery. Drinker was present for discussion. No one appeared for opposition. Drinker answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Drake as Board of Adjustment, seconded by Stormo to approve the conditional use permit for Tina Drinker of 413 9th Ave S for a cottage home bakery. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to adjourn as Board of Adjustment and reconvene as regular Council. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Marjean Diekman of 104 5th St East approached Council with concerns of the development of the former Jorvig's Trailer Court. Gina Pantzke was also present with concerns. They gave Council photos of the older trailer on the east end of the property which is in serious disrepair, and they felt this trailer should be removed and not fixed up. The current owner of the trailer court states that it is "grandfathered in" and he is allowed to do with it what he pleases. Attorney Boyd stated it is possible it qualifies for being "grandfathered", but specific years and dates would need to be supplied. Diekman and Pantzke said the trailer is uninhabitable and unsafe and the City should start a condemnation process. They also stated the trailer court itself has been abandoned for years and they would like to see it rezoned to something more appealing. A rezone takes time and inspections before that could happen. Council could consider it, but a timeline and dates again need to be supplied for the grandfathered clause. Boyd suggested they go to the Register of Deeds office for dates and possible covenants. If there is further work done on the court, Diekman will not sign a variance and cautioned Council approving one. Diekman also has a civil case with the current owner regarding trees taken out of her property.

Clear Lake City Library Director Heather Mahon and Deputy Director Jaden Martinell met with Council and gave them some recent updates. They presented much information and new ideas coming from the Library this summer.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Stormo to approve a community-themed "Movies in the Park" to be held on Thursday nights at the City Park during the summer. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Mahon has an employee that is leaving by July 1st and asked the Council to approve advertising for a replacement within budget.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Hintz to approve advertising for a part-time Library Assistant. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Mahon also reported on meeting with representatives of Missouri River Energy Services and has agreed to receive a donation to the Library in the amount of \$2500 to fully fund the Summer Reading Program and assisting other programs.

She went on to discuss this summer's Farmer's Market in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce. The permit fees in the past have been directed back to the Library.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Hintz to approve the Farmer's Market to be held Thursday evenings in the summer in the City's empty lot with proceeds of vendor permits to go to an appropriate organization. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Missouri River Energy Services representatives Terry Wolf and Alex Abplanalp met with Council regarding the Toronto Power Plant and their organization. In their PowerPoint presentation they explained they are owned by the municipal utilities that they serve. Clear Lake is not one of those communities. This facility would be enclosed to mitigate noise and light. The energy density would be a smaller footprint on only a 20-acre site. There has been no intervention or opposition at the state level. There has been some opposition at the local level. They wanted the public to know they are in no way affiliated with data centers. They pride themselves on being community-minded and want full transparency by offering many community engagement sessions. They also donate to community projects. There were some public comments of opposition as well as support.

The Engineering Progress report was presented to Council by Finance Officer Krueger. Discussion was held on the projects. The Phase 1A project has begun and there was discussion regarding the construction, safety, and traffic in the area.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve Pay Request No. 7 to Halme Construction for the Main Liftstation/Forcemain Project in the amount of \$97,995.81. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to approve the building permit for Tina Drinkerd of 413 9th Ave S for a bakery stand. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to approve the On-Off Sale Malt Beverage and On-Off Sale South Dakota Farm Wines license renewal for the following establishment, contingent upon all state and local licensing requirements being met: 4 Amigos LLC (Cowboy). Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Pauli to approve the On-Off Sale Malt Beverage and On-Off Sale South Dakota Farm Wines license renewal for the following establishment, contingent upon all state and local licensing requirements being met: Deuel County Farmers Union (Convenience Store). Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to approve the On-Off Sale Malt Beverage and On-Off Sale South Dakota Farm Wines license renewal for the following establishment, contingent upon all state and local licensing requirements being met: Dolgen Midwest (Dollar General). Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hintz, seconded by Stormo to authorize the Finance Officer to process payroll and corresponding liabilities on the last day of each month and pay bills in a timely manner to avoid late fees. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Bjerke to allow the Finance Officer to approve up to \$400 per event from the Promote City funds. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Stormo to set a department supervisor expenditure limit of no more than \$1,000 without Council approval. Exceptions would be costs of daily operation, maintenance and repair. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Pauli, seconded by Bjerke to designate DNB National Bank as the official depository for the City of Clear Lake for a period of 13 months. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Hintz to designate the Clear Lake Courier as the official newspaper for the City of Clear Lake for a period of 13 months. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Stormo, seconded by Hintz to approve the 2026 swimming pool employees as follows: Billie Jo Giesel: Manager & WSI: \$21.00/hr; LIFEGUARDS \$13.50/hr plus .75 per year worked: Brooklyn Giesel, Camdyn Peterreins, Ella Kerkvliet; LIFEGUARDS + WSI \$14.50/hr plus .75 per year worked: Josie Andersen, Addison Timmons, Shyla Tvedt, Kendra Kirby, Caden Hourigan. POOL ATTENDANTS at \$11.85/hr + .25 per year worked: None. Lifeguards and WSI are contingent on successful completion of certified lifeguard and/or WSI training. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hintz, seconded by Pauli to approve three city registered voters to manage the Municipal Election to be held June 2, 2026 in the Community Center Foyer. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Drake, seconded by Pauli to advertise for Custodian help at a minimum of hours. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Stormo, seconded by Bjerke to comply with the City's website audit by Upframe Creative for updates in the amount of \$3,000 and an additional \$20/month fee to be in compliance with the DOJ WCAG2.1 Level AA Accessibility Standards. Upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The Policies Committee met March 26, 2026 and presented their report to Council.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 667 Amending Ordinance 5-2-7 Regarding Chemicals Used At Airport was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 668 Amending Ordinance 6-1-4 Regarding Mandatory Curb and Gutter was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 669 Amending Ordinance 6-3-1 Regarding Sidewalks was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 670 Amending Ordinance 6-4-3 Regarding Trees – Kinds of Trees was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 671 Amending Ordinance 6-4-5 Regarding Trees – Existing Trees was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 672 Amending Ordinance 6-4-7 Regarding Trees – Infested or Overhanging Trees was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 673 Amending Ordinance 6-4-8 Regarding Trees – Violations was held.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 674 Amending Ordinance 7-1-4 Regarding Parking Cars Off Street was held.

Public Works Superintendent Furman was absent this meeting.

City Attorney Todd Boyd had comments regarding the upcoming election. Boyd also brought forth discussion regarding the Fairgrounds property and the Quiet Title. Property and Liability Insurance were discussed. The County currently owns the entire parcel, and the Deuel County Auditor is investigating how the process would work with leases. A land survey may be done to identify parcels so insurance wouldn't be an issue.

Finance Officer Krueger commented she was approached by Clear Lake Days Committee regarding the America 250 celebration. There was some discussion on the current banners and Clear Lake's involvement.

Mayor Lundberg reported on a community event hosted by Magnolia on Main wanting to use the City lot on May 21st and May 28th for a fundraiser. The Council wasn't against the use of the lot, but the Mayor will remind the host of the event to be more timely in their requests for approval.

Alderwoman Drake had concerns that the City of Clear Lake Council is following all state statutes and rules of order. Boyd and Krueger said the City Council is in compliance.

Alderman Stormo had questions about a batting cage and what the location would be.

There were no other comments from any other Council members.

Motion by Bjerke, seconded by Pauli to move into executive session at 8:31 PM for legal counsel and contractual matters. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Lundberg declared the Council out of executive session at 8:43 PM.

There being no further business, motion by Pauli, seconded by Drake to adjourn at 8:43 PM. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Krueger
Finance Officer

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