

BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, April 6, 2026

Council Chambers
City Hall – 317 4th Street NW
6:00 PM



ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

PROCLAMATION

- 1) Take Back the Night

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MINUTES

- 2) February 23, 2026 Work Session

CONSENT AGENDA #1

Items in the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion without discussion/debate. The Mayor will ask if any Councilmember wishes to remove an item. If no items are to be removed, the Mayor will then ask for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- 3) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer in the Amount Of \$1,167,645.20
- 4) Claims Submitted by Legends Global for the Sanford Center in the Amount of \$100,520.88
- 5) Approve February Financials from Legends Global for the Sanford Center
- 6) 2026 Business License Approvals
- 7) Approve Special Event Permit for D-Feet Walk (June 6)
- 8) Approve Special Event Permit for Fishing Has No Boundaries (June 25-28)
- 9) Approve Special Event Permit for Babe's Burnout Car Show (July 11)
- 10) Approve Special Event Permit for Watermark Art Festival (July 18-19)
- 11) Approve Special Event Permit for Indigenous Day Celebration (October 12)
- 12) Approve Appointments to the Community and Police Advisory Board
- 13) Recommendation from Charter Commission Regarding Charter Amendment
- 14) Declare Surplus Equipment & Authorize Disposal (Streets)
- 15) Approve Quote from Bowman Concrete in the Amount of \$10,000 (Parks)
- 16) Approve CIP Requests for the Sanford Center
- 17) Approve Purchase of 2027 Kenworth Hook Truck and Roll-off Boxes

- 18) Approve Congressional Spending Contract — Bemidji Fire Department Station 1
- 19) Resolution Rejecting all Bids Received for City Project 25-03 Rebid
- 20) Resolution Approving Temporary Off-Premises Alcohol Permit for the Babe's Burnout Car Show
- 21) Resolution Restricting Parking for 5th Street NW (Mississippi Ave NW - Irvine Ave NW)

CONSENT AGENDA #2

- 22) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer to VisitBemidji in the Amount of \$34,276.65

CITIZENS WITH BUSINESS BEFORE THIS COUNCIL-NOT ON AN AGENDA

Public Comment – Please give your name, address, and state your concern/comment. Visitors may share their concerns with City Council on any issue, which is not already on the agenda. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak. The Mayor reserves the right to limit an individual's presentation if it becomes redundant, repetitive or overly argumentative. The Mayor may also limit the number of individual presentations on any issue to accommodate the scheduled agenda items. COMMENTS WILL BE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT BY THE COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 23) Public Hearing of an Ordinance Granting to Otter Tail Power Company Permission to Construct, Operate, Repair and Maintain in the City of Bemidji an Electric Distribution System (Franchise)

ORDINANCES

- 24) First Reading of an Ordinance Granting to Otter Tail Power Company Permission to Construct, Operate, Repair and Maintain in the City of Bemidji an Electric Distribution System (Franchise)

BUSINESS

- 25) Summary of Conclusions of Evaluation of Performance of City Manager
- 26) Consider Award of Bid - Trunk Highway 197 Light Pole Replacement Project - City Project 25-06
- 27) Resolution Receiving Proposed Charter Amendment and Referring for Legal Review

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 28) April 13, 2026 (5:30 p.m.) - Planning Board
April 20, 2026 (6:00 p.m.) - Council Meeting
April 27, 2026 (5:30 p.m.) - Work Session

ADJOURN

MEMBER ATTENDING REMOTELY

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY BE ATTENDING VIA WEBEX UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 13D.02. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY MONITOR THE MEETING BY ACCESSING THE REMOTE MEETING LINK ON THE CITY WEBSITE

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