

BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, April 20, 2026

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



ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MINUTES

- 1) March 2, 2026 Council Meeting
March 16, 2026 Council Meeting

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.

- 2) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer in the Amount Of \$685,295.24
- 3) Claims Submitted by Legends Global for the Sanford Center in the Amount of \$83,440.31
- 4) 2026 Business License Approvals
- 5) Approve Special Event Permit-Ride for the Troops (June 6-7)
- 6) Approve Special Event Permit for 2026 Bike Bemidji - Loop the Lake (June 20)
- 7) Approve Special Event Permit for 2026 Mississippi Music Summer Concert Series
- 8) Approve Purchase of 2026 GMC Pickup (Parks)
- 9) Approve Purchase of Services Rendered from Bessler Electric
- 10) Approve Operation Agreement for Jiigibiig Recreation Facility
- 11) Approve Quote for 2026 Sanitary Sewer Slip Lining Project
- 12) Approve Purchase of Personal Protective Gear (Fire)
- 13) Approve Purchase of 2027 Kenworth T280 and Hook Assembly (Refuse)
- 14) Approve Reclassification for Fire Chief Position
- 15) Resolution Approving Off Premises Gambling Permit (Wrestling Club)
- 16) Approve Council Travel Authorization-LMC Annual Conference (Rochester), June 23-26-Prince, Thayer

CONSENT AGENDA #2

- 17) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer to Visit Bemidji in the Amount of \$4,250.73

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.

ORDINANCES

- 18) Final 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)
 - a. Motion Authorizing Publication of a Summary of the Ordinance

BUSINESS

- 19) Consider Request for Reduction of Fees and Issuance of 1-4 Day Temporary Liquor Permits for 2026 Mississippi Music Summer Concert Series
 - a. Resolution Approving the Site and Alcohol for the 2026 Mississippi Music Summer Concert Series

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 20) April 21, 2026 Local Board of Appeal
April 27, 2026 Work Session
May 4, 2026 Council Meeting

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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
<https://bemidjimn.portal.civicclerk.com/>