

The Mandan City Commission met in regular session at 5:30 PM on May 5, 2026 in the Ed “Bosh” Froehlich Meeting Room at City Hall, Mandan, North Dakota. Mayor Froelich called the meeting to order.

A. ROLL CALL

1. *Roll call of all City Commissioners.* Those present were Dennis Rohr, Mike Braun, James Froelich, Craig Sjoberg, Ryan Heinsohn. Department heads present were City Administrator Neubauer, Finance Director Welch, Assistant Finance Director Schulz, Human Resource Director Berger, City Engineer Wigness, Assistant City Engineer McAdoo-Roesler, Police Chief Ziegler, Building Official Singer, Fire Chief Bitz, Public Works Director O'Keefe, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Malsam, Business Development & Communications Director Cermak, Communications Specialist Schmidt, CIS Manager Mischel, Administrative Assistant Newman, and Attorney Oster.

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. *Notice of Fire Department Sales Tax Initiative Public Information Meeting.* Fire Chief Bitz presented.
2. *Construction Updates.* City Engineer Wigness presented.
3. *Touch A Truck - May 16, 2026.* Mandan Progress Organization Assistant Executive Director Triston Kosek presented.
4. *Public Works Open House - May 21, 2026.* Public Works Director O'Keefe presented.
5. *Community Clean-Up Month.* Communications Specialist Schmidt presented.
6. *Arbor Day Recognition.* City Administrator Neubauer presented. Commissioners from fifty years ago—Mayor Malcolm H. Brown, Commissioners Edward R. Froehlich, Caroline M. Lutkat, Joe Schaaf, and B.J. Silbernagel were recognized.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT There were no public comments received prior to the start of the meeting.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Commissioner Rohr moved and Commissioner Heinsohn seconded to approve. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

F. MINUTES

1. *Consider approval of the April 21, 2026 Board of City Commission Meeting Minutes.* Commissioner Sjoberg moved and Commissioner Heinsohn seconded to approve. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

2. *Consider approval of the April 29, 2026 quorum of city commissioners minutes.* Commissioner Heinsohn moved and Commissioner Rohr seconded to approve. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. *Consider a setback variance for Lot 6, Block 1, Nicola 2nd Addition.* Building Official Singer presented. Mayor Froelich opened the public hearing and invited the public to come forward to comment. A second and third invitation for comment was given. Hearing none, the public hearing closed. Commissioner Rohr moved and Commissioner Sjoberg seconded to approve the requested variance of the front yard setback in the Residential Mobile Home Subdivision District for Lot 6, Block 1, Nicola 2nd

Addition from a minimum of 15’ to a minimum of 12’. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

2. *Consider a final plat for Eighteen Eighty Four Addition.* Building Official Singer presented. Mayor Froelich opened the public hearing and invited the public to come forward to comment. A second and third invitation for comment was given. Hearing none, the public hearing closed. Commissioner Heinsohn moved and Commissioner Sjoberg seconded to approve the final plat for Eighteen Eighty Four Addition. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

H. BIDS

I. CONSENT AGENDA Commissioner Heinsohn moved and Commissioner Rohr seconded to approve the Consent Agenda, including all sub-items. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

1. *Consider Abatements.*

a. *Consider 2024 & 2025 Veterans Credit Abatements for Seth Patera.*

2. *Consider revision to the Capital Assets Policy.*

3. *Consider approval of the following Gaming Site Authorizations:.*

a. *Adding raffles to New Salem Civic Club at Bennigan's for July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

b. *Mandan Baseball Club, Inc. at Silver Dollar Bar from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

c. *Mandan Baseball Club, Inc. at Seven Seas from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

d. *Mandan Baseball Club, Inc. at The Drink from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

e. *Mandan Baseball Club, Inc. at the Broken Oar from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

f. *Matpac Wrestling Club, Inc. at Stage Stop from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

g. *Matpac Wrestling Club, Inc. at Last Call Bar from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

h. *Matpac Wrestling Club, Inc. at Old Town Tavern from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

i. *Matpac Wrestling Club, Inc. at The Scapegoat Bar from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

j. *North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame at La Cantina from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.*

4. *Consider approval of the following liquor license applications:.*

a. *Melissa and Brady Wolf from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027.*

b. *New Class A liquor License for the Silver Dollar Bar.*

5. *Consider approval of the special event permit for Buggies and Blues.*

6. *Consider allowing staff to enter into negotiations for an agreement with ICON Architectural Group for design services related to Morton Mandan Public Library's Tourism Makerspace Hub.*

7. *Assessments for Weed Cutting of 2025B, Health & Safety of 2025B, Sidewalks of 2025B, and Snow Removal of 2026.*

J. OLD BUSINESS

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. *Consider Waste Water Treatment Plant Project consultant selection.* City Engineer Wigness presented. Commissioner Sjoberg moved and Commissioner Rohr seconded to select AE2S as the design

consultant for the Waste Water Treatment Plant project and authorize the Engineering department to enter contract negotiations. Roll Call vote: Aye 5, Nay 0. The motion passed.

L. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. FUTURE MEETING DATES FOR BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

- *Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at 5:50 p.m.*

O. ADJOURN There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

/s/ James Neubauer
James Neubauer
City Administrator

/s/ James Froelich
James Froelich
Board of City Commissioners