Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 12, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Michelle Jenson; Council-Aaron Ray, Mike Moss, Susie Sieben, Katie Hauglie; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Guests-Jason Puchalski, DJ Lien.
Absent: Public Works Superintendent-Jason Wendt

Mayor Jenson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Hauglie made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the fire department, seconded by Moss. MCU

Sieben made a motion to approve Monday December 8, 2025, Regular City Council meeting minutes, seconded by Ray. MCU

Jason Puchalski and DJ Lien updated the council on the status of the Fire Department FEMA grant. The fire department only has 7 active fire dept. members in 2025. They are looking for suggestions and help with the recruitment of new fire department members.

Moss made a motion to approve the annual appointments: Justin Anderson for City Attorney, Star Bank as Official Depository, Grant County Herald as Official Newspaper, Hauglie as Deputy Mayor, Ray as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Jenson and Hauglie as check signers, Jenson and Sieben as personnel committee, seconded by Sieben. MCU

Ray made a motion to set the regular council meeting date as the second Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. with the next legal business day as the alternative date if the 2nd Monday falls on a legal holiday, seconded by Hauglie. MCU

The Council reviewed a request from Les Alvstad on behalf of the Grant County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Hero Day to be held in Barrett this year on September 12, 2026. This event rotates between the Grant County Cities, and it is Barrett's turn this year. He requested to use the Barrett Lakeside Pavilion for this event this year. Sieben made a motion to let the Grant County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Hero Day use the Barrett Lakeside Pavilion for no charge, seconded by Moss. MCU

Sieben made a motion to pay bills in the amount of $19,529.88, Check #20798 to Check #20827 with the addition of OtterTail Power bill when it arrives, seconded by Hauglie. MCU

Ray made a motion to adjourn at 5:35 p.m., seconded by Moss. MCU

Respectfully Submitted: Marita Rhude Marita Rhude, Clerk/Treasure

Approved by: Michelle Jenson Michelle Jenson, Mayor