

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 9, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Michelle Jenson; Council-Aaron Ray, Mike Moss, Katie Hauglie, Susie Sieben; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Public Works Superintendent-Jason Wendt. Guests: Sheriff Jenn Vipond, Troy Johnson, Warren Dahlen, Anna Shields, Bobbi Jo Weiner, Fire Department-Jason Puchalski, DJ Lien.

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

A public hearing was held on proposed Ordinance XXIII-Authorizing the Replacement of Lead, Galvanized, or other Hazardous Water Service Lines on Private Property: No members of the public had input or questions.

Hauglie made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of renaming River Street request and Lawful Gambling permit, seconded by Ray. MCU

Sieben made a motion to approve Monday, February 9, 2026, Regular City Council meeting minutes, seconded by Moss. MCU

Jason Puchalski and DJ Lien were present on behalf of the Fire Department to discuss the Water Fill hydrant that has been proposed in the firehall. Bids for the project were reviewed. Due to the cost, it was decided to wait and budget for this project next year and look into grant opportunities.

Hauglie made a motion to approve Scott Beech to the Barrett Fire Department, seconded by Ray. MCU

Sherrif Vipond was present to go over some Barrett statistics with the council and talk about needs of the City.

Sieben moved to resolve passing Ordinance XXIII - Authorizing the Replacement of Lead, Galvanized, or other Hazardous Water Service Lines on Private Property, and to publish a summary Ordinance, seconded by Moss.
Roll Call Vote: Moss-yes, Sieben-yes, Hauglie-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes.

Hauglie moved to approve Resolution 2026-03-01 to apply to MPFA for loan and/or grant funds for a lead service line replacement project, seconded by Sieben.
Roll Call Vote: Moss-yes, Sieben-yes, Hauglie-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes.

Moss made a motion to approve Mayor, Michelle Jenson and Clerk/Treasurer, Marita Rhude as the authorized officials to sign legal documents for the Lead Service Line Replacement project, seconded by Ray. MCU

Sieben moved to approve Resolution 2026-03-02 regarding the administration of the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act, seconded by Moss.
Roll Call Vote: Moss-yes, Sieben-yes, Hauglie-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes

Ray made a motion to approve the Barrett Inn 2 ½ Liquor License renewal; Off Sale \$100, On-Sale \$1,400, and Sunday \$200, seconded by Hauglie. MCU

Sieben made a motion to approve the West Central Area Summer Recreation Donation in the amount of \$1,900, seconded by Moss. MCU

Hauglie made a motion to approve the Grant County Humane Society Dog & Cat Contracts from May 1, 2026, to April 30, 2027, in the amount of \$250 for up to 5 dogs, each dog over 5 at \$40 per dog and \$125 for up to 5 cats, each cat over 5 would be billed at \$40 per cat, seconded by Sieben. MCU

Sieben made a motion to give the Clerk/Treasurer the authority to sign and approve all MN Lawful Gambling Application for Exempt Permit, with no waiting period, seconded by Hauglie. MCU

Anna Shields and Bobbi Jo Weiner were present to request that the council rename River Street to Joyce Hanson Blvd. in memory of Joyce Hasnon for all her service to Barrett. Prior to action on this matter, the council requested written approval of the change from the majority of residents on River Street to approve of this change.

Old Business: The cost of replacing the remaining LED light bulbs at the firehall through F2H is \$953.13. Low bid for a tankless water heater at Community Center was Lang's for \$2,800.

Sieben made a motion to allow the Barrett Lake Association to put voluntary sunfish and crappie limits of 5 per person, at the north boat landing and the Fishing Pier at Pavilion, seconded by Moss. MCU

Moss moved to approve Resolution #2026-03-03 expressing acceptance and appreciation for the donations of \$200.00 for the Barrett Pavilion, seconded by Ray.

Roll Call Vote: Moss-yes, Sieben-yes, Hauglie-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes.

Jenson made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$32,345.53, Check #20850 to Check #20873, seconded by Sieben. MCU

Ray made a motion to adjourn at 5:53 p.m., seconded by Moss. MCU

Respectfully Submitted: _____ Marita Rhude, Clerk/Treasure

Approved by: _____ Michelle Jenson, Mayor