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MAYOR: *Michelle Jenson*

CLERK / TREASURER: *Marita Rhude*

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Katie Hauglie

Aaron Ray

Mike Moss

Susie Sieben

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Barrett City Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, May 11, 2026
5:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Barrett City Office

Call to Order

Visitor Comments

Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda

Approval of minutes

1. PERA Phased Retirement
2. Garbage Rates
3. Sheriff's Department Hours
4. Water Treatment Plant leak
5. Unfinished Business Update

Maintenance Update – Jason Wendt

Clerk Update - Marita Rhude

Approval of Bills

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 13, 2026
5:30 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.

Mayor Jenson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Hauglie made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Snow Removal Complaints and Water Plant issues, seconded by Moss. MCU

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

Sieben made a motion to approve Brennan Anderson and Joyce Puchalski as fire Fighters to the Barrett Fire Department, seconded by Moss. MCU

The Council discussed City Clean-up Day. It will be held on Thursday, May 21st from 4 – 6 p.m. Council discussed what items to accept and not accept at the clean-up? The removal cost of Mattress/Boxspring and couch/stuffed chair has gotten so high the City Council decided not to accept them this year.

Several snow removal complaints were discussed.

Michelle Jenson and Marita Rhude attended a meeting with the Grant County Sheriff's Department and County Commissioners about future City Sheriff's Contracts. They are offering a 3-year contract with rates frozen until 2029. The County wants actual expenses for several years to get an average price for the contract, with the hope of eventually using a 10-year average. Consensus was that Cities were not in favor of signing a 3-year contract. The Cities agreed that costs have been continually rising and have gotten out of hand and they cannot continue to afford these increases.

At the Water Plant well #4 was experiencing slow pumping rates and had to be pulled. The motor needed to be replaced. The Water plant was still experiencing slow pumping rates after that. There was water discovered coming up from the ground and we had to dig and discovered crack in the pipe from the well to the Water Plant. The pipe was fixed. However, the problem is now back and experiencing slow pumping rates again. MN Rural Water is coming out to try and assist with locating what is leaking that is causing the slow pumping rate.

Hauglie moved to approve Resolution #2026-04-1 expressing acceptance and appreciation for the donations of \$1,890 for the Barrett Pavilion, seconded by Ray.

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

Moss made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$420,581.58, Check #20880 to Check #20904, seconded by Hauglie. MCU

Ray made a motion to adjourn at 6:28 p.m., seconded by Moss. MCU

Respectfully Submitted: _____ Marita Rhude, Clerk/Treasure

Approved by: _____ Michelle Jenson, Mayor

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**Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Board of Review Meeting
Monday, April 13, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Barrett City Office**

Present: Mayor-Michelle Jenson; Council- Aaron Ray, Katie Hauglie, Susie Sieben, Mike Moss;
Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Public Works Superintendent-Jason Wendt.
County Assessor – Karl Lindquist, Appraiser-Vicki Mandt.

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

There were no appeals received.

State law requires that the median sales ratio fall between 90 and 105%. A minimum of six good sales are required for the State study. If there are less than six sales, then a 5-year history is reviewed. For the 2026 assessment, Barrett City had two good residential sales. Barrett City Off-Water saw a 3% increase in value. Barrett City On-Water, saw a 3% increase.

Moss made a motion to adjourn at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Ray.

MCU

Respectfully Submitted: _____ Marita Rhude,
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: _____ Michelle Jenson,
Mayor

In 2028 Engebretson Disposal will take over billing for Solid Waste in Grant County. Grant County still holds the Solid Waste Contract with Engebretson's for all of Grant County. Everyone in Grant County (Cities and rural) will be billed the prices listed for the 2028 rates.

The Grant County Solid Waste Committee was established in 2025. The end goals of the Committee:

1. Equitable for All Stakeholders
2. Volume-Based System
3. Simplified System

Currently every City and garbage route in the county are paying a different cost for the same solid waste pickup. The City of Barrett rates have been based on the size of the canister. The cost to dispose of the solid waste is charged by the weight/ton of garbage disposed of. Engebretson Disposal's experience shows that you can get just as much weight into a 35-gallon canister as a larger canister, which is reflected in the 2028 rate structure.

GARBAGE RATES

	<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>2028 Rates</u>	<u>Difference</u>
35-gallon Canister	\$8.75	\$22.45	-\$11.70
65-gallon Canister	\$16.25	\$24.45	-\$ 8.20
95-gallon Canister	\$23.75	\$26.45	-\$ 2.70
1 yard Dumpster	\$55	\$88	-\$33
2 yard Dumpster	\$110	\$168	-\$58
3 yard Dumpster	\$165	\$192	-\$27
4 yard Dumpster	\$220	\$252	-\$32
6 yard Dumpster	\$330	\$376.50	-\$46.50

*above prices are based on weekly pickup

Includes canister rent

*the City currently pays the \$2/month canister rent, which is represented in the current rates

<u>Proposed Rates</u>	<u>July 1st, 2026</u>	<u>January 1, 2027</u>	<u>January 1, 2028</u>
35-gallon Canister	(+\$5) \$13.75	(+\$4.35) \$18.10	(+\$4.35) \$22.45
65-gallon Canister	(+\$2.85) \$19.10	(+\$2.50) \$21.60	(+\$2.85) \$24.45
95-gallon Canister	\$23.75	(+\$1.35) \$25.10	(+\$1.35) \$26.45
1 yard Dumpster	(+\$11) \$66	(+\$11) \$77	(+\$11) \$88
2 yard Dumpster	(+\$20) \$130	(+\$18) \$148	(+\$20) \$168
3 yard Dumpster	(+\$10) \$175	(+\$7) \$182	(+\$10) \$192
4 yard Dumpster	(+\$10) \$230	(+\$12) \$242	(+\$10) \$252
6 yard Dumpster	(+\$15) \$345	(+\$15) \$360	(+\$16.50) \$376.50

Grant County Sheriff's Monthly Patrol Hours

vs.

Patrol Hours between Midnight to 6 a.m.

January 2026

66 hours, 10 minutes Patrol time

47 hours, 10 minutes between midnight to 6 a.m.

February 2026

57 hours, 12 minutes Patrol time

27 hours, 40 minutes between midnight to 6 a.m.

March 2026

65 hours, 30 minutes Patrol time

40 hours, 15 minutes between midnight to 6 a.m.

April 2026

60 hours, 37 minutes Patrol time

39 hours, 25 minutes between midnight to 6 a.m.

2026 Totals to Date

249 hours, 6 minutes Patrol time

154 hours, 30 minutes between midnight to 6 a.m.

Date Range : 4/14/2026 To 5/11/2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Claim #</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Detail</u>
05/11/2026	PERA	PERA payment	2016	\$1,305.56	100-41425-101- 100-41425-121- 100-43001-101- 100-43001-121- 601-49401-101- 601-49401-121- 602-49451-101- 602-49451-121- 100-41110-101-	Clerk Clerk Public Works Public Works Water Fund Expenses Water Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Council/Town Board	\$298.40 \$344.31 \$104.64 \$120.74 \$101.56 \$117.19 \$101.56 \$117.19 (\$0.03)
05/11/2026	EFTPS	EFPTS payment	2017	\$1,925.35	100-41425-101- 100-41425-122- 100-41425-135- 100-43001-101- 100-43001-122- 100-43001-135- 601-49401-101- 601-49401-122- 601-49401-135- 602-49451-101- 602-49451-122- 602-49451-135- 100-41110-100-	Clerk Clerk Clerk Public Works Public Works Public Works Water Fund Expenses Water Fund Expenses Water Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Council/Town Board	\$554.52 \$260.14 \$60.84 \$224.45 \$99.92 \$23.37 \$225.02 \$102.80 \$24.04 \$225.02 \$102.80 \$24.04 (\$1.61)
05/11/2026	MN Department of Revenue, Sales Tax	April 2026 Sales Tax	2018	\$811.00	601-49401-439-110 603-49501-439-110 603-49501-439-110	Water Fund Expenses Garbage Fund Expenses Garbage Fund Expenses	\$118.00 \$208.00 \$485.00
05/11/2026	Amazon Capital Services	Fire Dept. extinguishers & gloves, Flash Drive, Latters-Pav.	2019	\$404.99	225-42220-240- 225-42220-211- 100-41901-240- 100-45207-227-	Fire Fighting Fire Fighting Other General Government Pavilion	\$327.98 \$18.03 \$33.99 \$24.99
05/11/2026	Anderson Law Office	Legal Fees Marc 2026	2020	\$50.00	100-41610-304-	City/Town Attorney	\$50.00

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05/11/2026	Auto Value Elbow Lake	City Truck oil/filter	2021	\$35.68	100-41901-227-	Other General Government	\$35.68
05/11/2026	Barrett Agri Inc.	Fire Department batteries	2022	\$682.48	225-42220-240-	Fire Fighting	\$682.48
05/11/2026	Brian D. Koehn, CPA, PLLC	Audit 2025	2023	\$1,500.00	100-41530-301-	Accounting	\$1,500.00
05/11/2026	Culligan Water of Elbow Lake	Bottled water/cc water softner	2024	\$29.50	100-45209-211- 100-41901-495-	Community Center Other General Government	\$15.00 \$14.50
05/11/2026	Engebretson & Sons Disposal	March canister rent	2025	\$322.00	603-49501-384-	Garbage Fund Expenses	\$322.00
05/11/2026	F2H Electric	LED lights firehall	2026	\$818.05	225-42220-401- 225-42220-227-	Fire Fighting Fire Fighting	\$403.34 \$414.71
05/11/2026	Ferguson Brothers Excavating Inc.	Repair Water Leak at Water Treatment Plant	2027	\$15,942.50	601-49401-227- 601-49401-401-	Water Fund Expenses Water Fund Expenses	\$4,000.00 \$11,942.50
05/11/2026	Glenwood State Bank	hotel conference, Virus Protection, Postage	2028	\$378.35	100-41901-312- 100-41425-310- 602-49451-322-	Other General Government Clerk Sewer Fund Expenses	\$58.77 \$295.48 \$24.10
05/11/2026	Gopher State One Call	locate tickets	2029	\$5.40	100-41901-495-	Other General Government	\$5.40
05/11/2026	Environmental Services, Grant MN	May Solid Waste & Recycling	2030	\$5,304.59	603-49501-384- 603-49501-386-	Garbage Fund Expenses Garbage Fund Expenses	\$3,693.87 \$1,610.72

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05/11/2026	League of MN Cities Insurance Trust	Workers Compensation	2031	\$3,162.00	100-41970-151-	Insurance	\$3,162.00
05/11/2026	Midwest Machinery Company	mower	2032	\$23.57			
05/11/2026	NCPERS Group Life Insurance	Life Insurance	2033	\$32.00	100-41901-227-	Other General Government	\$23.57
05/11/2026	Northdale Oil Inc.	Fuel	2034	\$483.47	100-41425-133- 100-46001-133- 601-49401-133- 602-49451-133-	Clerk Public Works Water Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses	\$16.00 \$5.34 \$5.33 \$5.33
05/11/2026	Pro Sweep, Inc	Street sweeping	2035	\$800.00	100-41901-212- 225-42220-212-	Other General Government Fire Fighting	\$171.76 \$311.71
05/11/2026	RMB Environmental Lab, Inc.	testing	2036	\$589.39	100-43101-401-	Streets	\$800.00
05/11/2026	Runestone Telecom Association	Phone/Internet	2037	\$236.54	602-49451-437-	Sewer Fund Expenses	\$589.39
05/11/2026	Star Bank (HSA Account)	HSA Money	2038	\$1,114.78	100-45209-321- 225-42220-321- 100-41901-321-	Community Center Fire Fighting Other General Government	\$73.29 \$73.29 \$89.96
05/11/2026	Thein Well	Well #4 pulled and replaced motor	2039	\$11,826.81	100-41425-101- 601-49401-134- 602-49451-134- 100-43001-134- 100-41425-134-	Clerk Water Fund Expenses Sewer Fund Expenses Public Works Clerk	\$400.00 \$226.39 \$226.38 \$226.39 \$35.62
					411-49401-501- 411-49401-401-	Water Fund Expenses Water Fund Expenses	\$7,474.43 \$4,352.38

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05/11/2026	USA Blue Book	testing supplies	2040	\$316.02	601-49401-240-	Water Fund Expenses	\$316.02
05/11/2026	Volunteer Firefighter's Benefit	Fire-Life Insurance	2041	\$14.00	225-42220-133-	Fire Fighting	\$14.00
05/11/2026	MN PEIP	Health Insurance	2042	\$1,364.38	100-41425-131-	Clerk	\$1,364.38
Total For Selected Claims				\$49,478.41			\$49,478.41

Aaron A Ray	City Council/Town Board	Date
Katie Hauglie	City Council/Town Board	Date
Michael L Moss	City Council/Town Board	Date
Susie Sieben	City Council/Town Board	Date
Tim Lasch	City Council/Town Board	Date

For the Period : 4/1/2026 To 5/31/2026

Name of Fund	Beginning Balance	Total Receipts	Total Disbursed	Ending Balance	Less Deposits In Transit	Plus Outstanding Checks	Total Per Bank Statement
General Fund	\$773,113.95	\$5,180.48	\$38,004.43	\$740,290.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.28	\$744,790.28
Fire Operating	\$82,768.19	\$500.00	\$378,304.74	(\$295,036.55)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$295,036.55)
GO Bond - 2019-2021	\$12,730.00	\$23.08	\$0.00	\$12,753.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,753.08
2022A GO Bond - Streets	(\$85,500.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$85,500.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$85,500.00)
2023A Sewer Debt Service	\$85,247.00	\$9,285.00	\$0.00	\$94,532.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$94,532.00
2023B Water Debt Service	\$437.00	\$398.00	\$0.00	\$835.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$835.00
2019-2020 Capital Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water-Reserve	\$74,609.00	\$1,120.00	\$0.00	\$75,729.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,729.00
Sewer- Reserve	\$15,133.00	\$578.00	\$0.00	\$15,711.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,711.00
PFA Water Reserve	\$48,010.00	\$530.00	\$0.00	\$48,540.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,540.00
Water Contingency	\$35,195.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$35,345.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,345.00
Sewer Contingency	\$27,212.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$27,512.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,512.00
2016 Water Debt Service	\$208,973.50	\$5,507.00	\$0.00	\$214,480.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$214,480.50
Water	\$134,433.48	\$10,730.39	\$15,705.83	\$129,458.04	\$0.00	\$1,267.60	\$130,725.64
Sewer	\$19,061.77	\$16,767.47	\$14,127.05	\$21,702.19	\$0.00	\$1,267.60	\$22,969.79
Garbage	\$43,494.74	\$7,888.66	\$5,987.59	\$45,395.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,395.81
Total	\$1,474,918.63	\$58,958.08	\$452,129.64	\$1,081,747.07	\$0.00	\$7,035.48	\$1,088,782.55