

# June 2025

## City Newsletter

### \*City Council Briefs are Not Formally Approved by Council\*

Meeting Date: May 14, 2025

Council Present: Gruendemann, R. Kokesch, Schneider, Mumme & Lund.

Staff Present: Radermacher, K. Kokesch, Menk, C. Minkel.

Guests: Traulich, J. Harmoning, M. Wagner

Regular Meeting called to order, Pledge and Roll Call.

Approved minutes of the regular meeting 4/9/25

Approved consent agenda: bills of \$41,762.54; nine past due utility accounts; one zoning permits issued for a 12'x20'x8' temporary storage/car port at 254 1st Ave E.

1. Deputy Wagner reported doing the first round of blight properties with Radermacher and will email the list out ASAP; second round to be done May 17th.
2. Traulich reported the wetland delineation to be complete for the Ravine project; easements are ongoing. Traulich spoke with council on financials with the 2nd Ave improvement project and discussed bids received, and how much funds will be needed after the grant award has been applied. Traulich discussed with council the possibility of not using PFA load to cover the extra funds needed to save on interest.
3. Approved Resolution 2025-4: Accepting bid for 2nd Ave project. Bid awarded to M & R paving
4. Dept. Heads: Menk reported the new Fire Department Officers; 1st Leut-Wes Lund, 2nd Leut-M. Minkel, Secretary-T. Johnson. Recent pump test went well. The old pumper need repair-approved for repair. There were two recent fire calls-one grass fire that got out of control and one mutual aid call with Fairfax. K. Kokesch reported the drinking fountain to have ben ordered. Kokesch will be taking a vacation in June. Park bathrooms are open. The same person will be mowing for the city as did last year. Radermacher reminded the council of two fire department applications. Radermacher reported an update on cannabis retail ordinances.
5. Council discussed Harmoning's utility request. After a lot of discussion, council denied the request but approved Harmoning to maintain a well.
6. A plan for the Lion's park needs to be made. A place for the benches need to be set along with plans for tree placement. Will there be plans for a sand volleyball court, and where? Gruendemann volunteered to help set plans and bring back to council at next regular meeting.
7. Approved dust control for 2025 with Southwest transfer at \$1.05 a foot. This will be done once for the 2025 calendar year.
8. Council approved having city attorney look at tree ordinance and assist in updating the ordinance to include wording for ash bore . Tre inventory was shared and discussion on creating a program to remove diseased trees was discussed.
9. Gruendemann reported the Cedar Mountain school board was working on bids for community center painting.
10. Approved camera placement of cameras at the water plant to watch the fire hydrant and the boat landing to prevent theft, vandalism, and unlawful dumping of trash.

Bills were paid as follows:

Wages	Net	\$9,875.05	Bolton and Menk	Engineering	\$1,179.50	Winsted Solar	Solar	\$3,465.34
PERA	Retirement	\$1,807.13	Kerkhoff	Maint	\$1,258.50	Standard Gazette	Printing	\$211.00
MN Dept. of Rev.	Withholding	\$534.65	Kibble	Supplies	\$72.38	Anderson Larson	Legal	\$750.00
IRS	Withholding	\$2,942.82	Kevin Kokesch	Phone	\$75.13	Clarke Mosquito	Streets	\$1,095.92
SWWC	Insurance	\$4,353.20	Claudia Kokesch	Cleaning	\$125.00	MVTL	Lab	\$340.91
Ren-Sibley Coop.	Energy	\$59.60	Hawkins	Chemicals	\$1,536.52	MN Valley Telephone	Phone	\$311.20
Clobes Sanitation	Garbage	\$3,180.17	All Phase Electric	Maint	\$324.62	Wex Bank	Fuel	\$428.07
Madison National	Insurance	\$24.10	MillerSellner	Supplies	\$129.76	Ren. Co. Public Works	Snow	\$362.50
Marco	Printing	\$172.44	Kenneday and Graven	Legal	\$412.00	Trista Radermacher	Training	\$178.50
Gopher State	Locates	\$6.75	VISA	Supplies	\$4,592.97	South Central Fire	Dues	\$50.00
Kirvida Fire	Supplies	\$1,195.61	Dan Menk	Training	\$190.40	Jacob Olson	Training	\$140.00



# Community Calendar June 2025

- June 5 Blood Drive
- June 9 Lions Club, 6 PM
- June 11 City Council Mtg, 6PM
- June 19 Juneteenth-Holiday  
Fire/MRU monthly meetings
- June 23 Cedar Mountain FFA Kickball



## June Curbside Recycling Days– 3 & 17

### Mosquito Spraying Schedule

(Subject to change due to weather conditions)

June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22,  
August 5 & 19, September 2



Cedar Mountain FFA is sponsoring a FFA family and alumni kickball game at the Franklin softball field. Watermelon and water will be provide. All are welcome!

Join in on the fun June 23rd at 7PM



Open burning is regulated from April-October. You must have a permit to burn. Burning is allowed between the hours of 6:00PM-9:00PM. It is your responsibility to adhere to burning bans. There is no permit required for recreational (camp) fires.

Did you know that you can set up autopayments to your city utility account?! For more information contact City Hall 507-557-2259

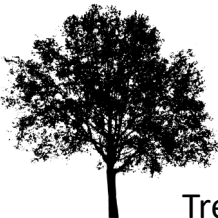
Planning to put up a fence? Or put up a storage shed? Zoning permits are required for both, among other things. Applications only cost \$25 and could save you money on fines for not following ordinances. If you are unsure if you need a zoning permit, stop in to City Hall and ask. Zoning permit applications are available at City Hall or on our website, franklinmn.us.



## Give Blood!

Thursday June 5  
Franklin Community Center  
1 PM– 7PM

Call 1-800-733-2767 for appointments or book online!



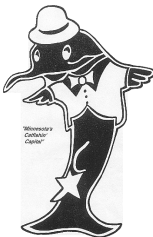
## McGowan Tree Service

mcgowantreeservice@gmail.com

Tree trimming, removal, and stump grinding

Call or text Dennis

507-430-7092



Catfish pins and apparel are now available at City Hall!!

**\*REMINDER— DO NOT** mow your grass clippings onto the street! The clippings plug the storm sewer. Blowing your clipping into the street is a violation of City Ordinance!!



Renville/Redwood County Electronics and Appliance Recycling!

The First Wednesday, every other month April– October  
2:00—6:00 PM

### Ren. Co Fair Grounds

May 7  
July 2  
September 3

### Redwood County Museum

April 2  
June 4  
August 6  
October 1

Cash or Check only

For a list of items accepted contact S.W. Recycling  
www.swrecycling.com or 1-800-366-8665

Open to Renville & Redwood County Residents ONLY