

Maddock City Council
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2025

Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, Jamie Wentz, and Dusty Pierson. Absent was Teresa Dosch. Also in attendance were Jamie Green, Keith Winson, Jean Schuster, Rachel Markestad and Michael Sorlie, via phone.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2025 regular meeting. All voting yes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Pierson, to approve the following bills. All voting yes, motion carried.

Wages		8,984.59
Benson Co. Farmers Press	22171	90.75
Benson Co. Sheriff's Dept.	22172	600.00
Benson County Tax Equalization	22173	1,330.00
Butler	22174	6.47
CenDak	22175	637.95
Double M Sanitation	22176	6000.00
Fireside Office Solutions	22177	176.26
Hawkins	22178	571.48
Maddock Opera House	22179	200.00
MRES	22180	200.00
NAPA	22181	312.46
Sarah Dove	22182	191.49
TJ Plumbing	22183	1,701.00
UpAhead	22184	2,187.00
Valli	22185	25.00
Vestis	22186	106.60
VISA	22187	140.00
Western Area Power Adm.	22188	7,786.50
Northern Plains Electric	22189	4,135.00
NDPERS	ACH	2,335.85
Northern Plains Electric	ACH	29,684.15
NDTC	ACH	473.70

Keith Winson's Report:

- Double M Sanitation is currently making some repairs to our old dumpsters.
- Provided an update on the water treatment plant; a temporary water plant is scheduled to arrive in June.
- Reported on the LED streetlights

Jamie Green's Report:

- Provided an update on the AMI water meters.
- Spoke on behalf of the Tree Committee to discuss the ongoing tree grant and any upcoming plans.

Pam Lee's Report:

- Reported that the annual audit was completed successfully with no issues.
- Presented a price proposal for BMS Pay services from Nuvei.

- Announced that the Pet Clinic will be held on May 16th from 3:00–6:00 p.m. at the gray city shop.

A motion made by Hermanson, seconded by Wentz to approve the proposal from Nuvei for BMS services. All voting yes, motion carried.

The City Council discussed strategies for enforcing city ordinances. They expressed interest in setting up a meeting with Sheriff Rode, Candace Berg from Lake Region District Health Unit, and States Attorney James Wang to explore enforcement options and clarify roles. Pam will contact all parties to schedule a meeting at a time that works for everyone.

The City Council held a discussion regarding the possibility of allowing poultry within city limits. Before making a final decision, they agreed to send out surveys to all city residents to gather public input.

Benson County Deputy Assessor Jean Schuster was present to conduct the annual tax equalization meeting. A motion made by Hermanson, seconded by Wentz to approve the proposed changes. All voting yes, motion carried.

Rachel Markestad was present on behalf of the Maddock 125th Celebration Committee to discuss proposed changes to the renovation plans for the bandstand/gazebo, a project being undertaken by the Maddock Historical Society. A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the proposed changes. All voting yes, motion carried.

Michael Sorlie joined the meeting via phone to present an idea for a “walk-through time” mural as part of the Maddock 125th Celebration legacy project. The mural is proposed for the north wall of the Thrifty White Drug Store, with a brick pathway and benches to be placed on the vacant city-owned lot between the drug store and First United Bank. He requested permission on behalf of the Maddock 125th Celebration Committee to use the vacant city lot for this project. A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the use of the city-owned lot. All voting yes, motion carried.

A motion made by Pierson, seconded by Wentz to approve a quote from Lakeside Surveillance Lock & Key for a security door system at City Hall. All voting yes, motion carried.

The council members each gave a portfolio report.

A discussion was held regarding responsible beverage server training.

A motion made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson to approve two gaming site authorization permits to the Maddock Opera House Association and the Maddock Rural Fire Protection District. All voting yes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m. The next council meeting will be Tuesday May13, 2025.

Pamela Lee, City Auditor

Sarah Dove, Mayor