

Minutes

Emery City Council

End of Year Special Meeting

December 31, 2025

Emery City Council met in special session for the end of year city council meeting on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at the city office. Mayor Kyle Beach called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following council members present: Brad Bartscher, Kenny Kayser, Ryan Storm and Clar Weber. Also in attendance were Finance Officer Kristi Wollmann, Maintenance Supervisor Travis Kampshoff, Owen Reitzel and Krista Kayser. Council members Ross Bartscher and Elizabeth Weber were unable to attend.

Approve Agenda

Motion by C. Weber to approve the agenda as presented. Storm seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

Bridgewater Emery Softball Program

Krista Kayser discussed the 1st year of the Bridgewater Emery HS Softball Program and asked for permission to use the city softball field for practices and 4 home games. The school would be responsible for prepping the fields for use. Motion B. Bartscher to approve the Bridgewater Emery Softball Program using the city softball field. Kayser seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried. Motion by Storm to approve use of auditorium as needed for practices and waive auditorium rental fees for the first year of the program due to limited funding available. B. Bartscher seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

2nd Reading & Adopt Ordinance No. 2025-2 (Supplemental Budget Appropriations for 2025)

Motion by C. Weber to approve the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-2 (Supplemental Budget Appropriations for 2025). Storm seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

Claims to Approve

Motion by B. Bartscher to approve the end of year claims. Kayser seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

HANSON RURAL WATER water purchases \$4,690.46; VISA misc \$182.23; XCEL street lighting \$1,436.03; XCEL electric service buidings \$495.29; USDA RURAL DEV tractor loan \$777.00; IRS payroll tax PP25 \$1,529.26; CENTRAL ELECTRIC eagle estates sewer lift station/street lighting \$118.17; AREAWIDE BUSINESS COUNCIL daycare loan \$213.03; USDA RURAL DEV wastewater project loan (water fund) \$837.00; USDA RURAL DEV wastewater project loan (sewer fund) \$1,556.00; IRS payroll tax PP26 \$1,208.34; IRS payroll tax council qtr. 4 \$886.24; SECURITY STATE BANK annual deposit box fee \$8.00;

Transfer to Daycare Fund

Council discussed the Daycare Fund deficit of \$38,171.00. Motion by C. Weber to authorize the finance officer to transfer money to the Daycare Fund to balance at year end as follows: 50% from Sewer Cash Fund and 50% from General Fund. B. Bartscher seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Motion by Storm to enter Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel at 8:25 PM. B. Bartscher seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried. Mayor declared out of Executive Session at 8:47 PM.

Approve Resolution No. 2026-01 (Salaries & Wages for 2026)

Motion by C. Weber to approve Resolution No. 2026-01(Salaries & Wages for 2026). B. Bartscher seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2026-01

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERY TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, SDCL 9-14-28 requires that, except as otherwise specially provided, the governing body of every municipality shall fix and determine by ordinance or resolution the salaries, wages and compensation of all municipal officers and the times at which the same shall be paid; and, **WHEREAS**, the City Council shall publish the salaries for compliance with the provisions of SDCL; and, **WHEREAS**, the Emery City Council wishes to establish the following wages for the year 2026 effective with the first Payroll of 2026; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT; by the Emery City Council that the following resolution, repealing all prior salary and wage resolutions or motions, be passed, approved and effective pursuant to SDCL. The mayor and council will be paid on a quarterly basis. All other employees will be paid bi-weekly. Council - Mayor Kyle Beach \$225.00/mo., plus \$80.00/meeting attended; Alderman Brad Bartscher, Ross Bartscher, Kenny Kayser, Ryan Storm, Clarissa Weber and Elizabeth Weber \$125.00/mo., plus \$60.00/meeting attended; Election Workers – Temporary \$200.00/day – includes Election School; Finance Officer Kristi Wollmann \$26.00/hr. with \$400.00/pay period health insurance stipend and \$50.00/month cell phone stipend; Maintenance Supervisor Travis Kampshoff \$31.15/hr. with \$250.00/pay period health insurance stipend and \$50.00/month cell phone stipend; Assistant Maintenance Nick Ernster \$16.50/hr.; Rubble Site Attendant Larry Berg \$13.00/hr.; Mileage paid at \$.70/mile or current state rate.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 31st day of December, 2025, by the City Council of the City of Emery, South Dakota by the following vote:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Absent: 2

City of Emery

Kyle Beach, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristi Wollmann, Finance Officer

Adjourn

Motion by Storm to adjourn at 8:48 PM. B. Bartscher seconded the motion. All votes aye. Motion carried.

Kyle Beach, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristi Wollmann, Finance Officer

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