





Public & Legal Notices

BAGLEY CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS April 23, 2025

The Bagley City Council met in regular session on April 23, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Mayor Duane Lewis, Council members John Sutherland, Aaron Kaiser, Dennis Merschman via Zoom, and Chad Bonik, City Clerk Lyle Mathison, and Deputy Clerk Priscilla Johnson.

Also present: Dany Ekre, Adam Gunderson, Bill Masterson, Chris Arnold, Allie Dalrymple, Todd Beito, and Mike Karvacko via Zoom.

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

Motion was made by Sutherland to accept the agenda, seconded by Bonik, motion carried.

Karvacko presented the bid results for the Water and Sewer Project Phase 5. Three bids were received Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>. Reierson Construction is apparent low bidder at \$1,565,288.88. This is a USDA Rural funded project planned to start on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and completed by September 5<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made by Sutherland contingent upon USDA Rural development concurrence of funds, seconded by Bonik, motion carried.

Karvacko gave an update on phase 2 and 3, Reierson is scheduled to start on that project on Monday May 12<sup>th</sup>, completing by July 18<sup>th</sup>.

The water tower project is scheduled to start on June 16<sup>th</sup> wrapping up by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Todd Beito with Sanford Health presented a Heliport inspection conducted by the Minnesota Department of Transportation. There are several trees that have grown larger obstructing the path of approach and departure for the rescue helicopter to land safely at the hospital. To comply with their heliport license from MNDOT some trees need to be removed. Masterson went over the report with Jared Wedel and he is going to remove the trees in that area and some to the east that are starting to die.

Ekre came back to discuss the BARCO agreement

on taking in some of their extra dogs. It was agreed the city will do a trial base with BARCO for one year at \$1,000 per month and \$150 per dog over 5. Motion made by Merschman to go ahead on a trial basis, seconded by Kaiser, motion carried.

Sutherland made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included resolution #14-25 Raffle Permit for the Bagley Rotary Club and resolution #15-25 Airport Equipment Grant Application. Seconded by Bonik, motion carried.

USDA has given permission to have an inspection done on the property at R23.325.0090 on Patricia Lane. It would cost \$700. Motion was made by Bonik to hire the inspector, second by Kaiser,

the motion passed, Bonik, Kaiser, Sutherland in favor and Merschman opposed.

An update was given on Animal ordinance and Nuisance ordinance being updated. The City Attorney is working on them both. The city will set priority on getting the animal ordinance done and the nuisance ordinance will go through the zoning board.

Sutherland requested the Wi-Fi at the park be fixed and updated. Masterson is going to order a new router. The old one was hit by lightning last year.

Discussion was had on the plumbing at the bathhouse by the basketball court. Masterson is having a plumber there April 24<sup>th</sup> and will see if we might have to

use portable toilets there for the summer.

Masterson received a grant of \$120,000 for Tad Pole loop at the park to be resurfaced over the next couple of years. Will be a 75-25 split with the state. The grant does not include the parking lot or the boat launch.

Being there was no further business to come before the board, motion to adjourn was made by Merschman, seconded by Bonik, motion carried.

ATTEST:  
Duane Lewis Mayor  
Lyle L. Mathison City Clerk Treasurer  
Priscilla Johnson, Deputy City Clerk

Independent School Dist. 162 Bagley, Minnesota

BAGLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MAY 5, 2025 SUMMARY

The regular meeting of the School Board, Independent School District #162 was held on May 5, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in BHS Room 101. Members present: Andrew Bennett, Wendy Fultz, Amanda Koop, Dany Ekre, Darin Klostermeier, Michael Mathison, and Superintendent Dr. Heise. Members ab-

sent: John Gerbracht.

Chairperson Bennett called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1. M/S Fultz, Koop to approve the agenda. MP 6-0.
2. M/S Ekre, Fultz to approve the following consent agenda items:
  - Minutes – April 21st
  - Achievement & Integration Plan
  - MP 6-0.
3. M/S Koop, Mathison to approve the 2025

summer school budget as proposed by BHS Principal Bensen. MP 6-0.

4. Fultz moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Andrew Bennett, Chairman  
Wendy Fultz, Clerk

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Earth Summit 2025

The White Earth Tribal and Community College (WETCC) is finalizing plans for *Earth Summit 2025*. In 2024, the WETCC hosted the White Earth Water Summit. This effort was a blend of contemporary science and research data and northern Minnesota Ojibwe culture, history, science and language. Due to the success of the Water Summit, 2025 will see the first effort of an event that broadens the scope of environmental issues to be discussed. The White Earth Water Summit 2024 has become the Earth Summit of 2025.

This year's lineup includes invited speakers Peg Furshong from CURE discussing impacts on AI and crypto currency on water.

James Vukelich, Turtle Mountain Ojibwe and author will talk about the Seven Grandfather Teachings and the relationship to Earth. Other presentations include researchers from University on Minnesota highlighting recent data from the Pinelands Sands and Ottertail River Watershed areas of the White Earth Indian Reservation and Minnesota. The Nature Conservancy will discuss a variety of their initiatives here in Minnesota and the Dakotas. Audrianna Goodwin will again please Summit attendees with her powerful voice and song. After lunch activities include a choice of a rousing game of Ojibwe Lacrosse or a calming session of Yogachigede (Yoga with an Ojibwe twist).

This promises to be a fun and informative Summit that begins to showcase some of the environmental challenges facing the citizens of White Earth, the state, and the country. But it also brings Ojibwe and other people together to talk about solutions. Pesticides, climate change, and loss of biodiversity are just the beginning of a long list of issues facing us all. The Earth Summit 2025 will be held on the campus of the White Earth Tribal and Community College May 28<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to 4:30 PM and May 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

For more information call 218-936-8348 or email robert.shimek@wetcc.edu.

Minnesota gas price report

Average gasoline prices in Minnesota have risen 13.3 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.02/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,856 stations in Minnesota. Prices in Minnesota are 0.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 18.9 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.54/g while the highest was \$3.29/g, a difference of 75.0 cents per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 6.1 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.14/g today. The national average is up 1.9 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 41.0 cents per

gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country. The national average price of diesel has increased 2.9 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.502 per gallon.

"Gasoline prices jumped in over three-quarters of U.S. states over the last week, as oil prices surged following former President Trump's decision to reduce tariffs and strike new trade deals—moves that inspired optimism that a major tariff-induced economic slowdown might be avoided," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "In addition to gains in price-


cycling markets, rising oil prices—fueled by economic optimism and tightening gasoline inventories—contributed to a broader upward pressure on prices. While Americans are still seeing significant savings compared to a year ago, that gap has narrowed as oil prices have rebounded. As we approach Memorial Day, GasBuddy is preparing to release its summer travel survey results and issue a gas price forecast for the season. For now, motorists can expect one of the most affordable summers for hitting the road since the pandemic, with gas prices tracking at some of the lowest inflation-adjusted levels in years."

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