

**City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Monday, December 15, 2025
5:45 p.m.**

Members Present: Bryan Bargen, Andrew Ysker, Darla Kruser, Jeff Jack, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: None

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator

Others Present: Scott Raabe, Katie Johnson, Audrey Dick, Halie Kruger

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 5:45 p.m.

Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda

Motion by Bargen, seconded by Jack to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

Bills: Checks #29655-29680, 1619E-1638E

Payroll: Checks #69212-69253

Approve November 10 Lake Commission Minutes

Approve November 17 EDA Minutes

Approve November 26 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve December 1 City Council Minutes

Approve Resolution #23-25 Unpaid Public Nuisance Abatement Charges – Lawn

Approve Resolution #24-25 – Unpaid Utility Bills

Approve Resolution #25-25 – \$9,000 Fire Relief Donation

Public

No comment

Utilities

The 2026 Utilities budget was reviewed. Motion by Bargen, seconded by Kruser to approve the 2026 Utilities Budget. Motion carried 5 – 0.

The rate increases are necessary to operate and maintain the city's water, sanitary sewer, and electric systems to maintain reserves and to repay debt incurred to improve the systems. Water and sewer rates will remain the same, electric rates will increase 16% in 2026. The Mountain Lake Utilities Commission has considered and recommended the rate increases for 2026.

Motion by Ysker, seconded by Jack to approve 2026 Electric, Water, & Wastewater Rates.
Motion carried 5 – 0.

City Administrator

There was a first reading regarding the disruptive intoxication ordinance. No comment or concerns were raised.

Roundtable

An update was given to the council regarding board and commission meetings.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk