

**Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall
Monday, February 2, 2026
5:45 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order *Additional information on agenda item is attached or at City Hall
2. Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda
 - a. Bills: Checks # 29752-29783, 1688E-1707E (1-7)
 - b. Payroll: Checks #69311-69328
 - c. Approve January 8 Utilities Commission Minutes (8)
 - d. Approve January 20 City Council Minutes (9-10)
 - e. Approve January Street Department Report (11)
3. Public – A total of ten (10) minutes is allotted for individuals to briefly discuss a topic of concern or provide comments to the Council.
4. Mountain Lake Community Partners – Pow Wow
5. City Administrator
 - a. Discussion/Action – Disruptive Intoxication Ordinance #2-26 – 3rd & Final Reading (12-13)
 - b. Discussion/Action – Tobacco Ordinance – 2nd Reading (14-15)
 - c. Discussion/Action – 2026 Chip Sealing (16-17)
 - d. Discussion – Federated Broadband
6. Roundtable
 - a. Discussion – Commissions/Boards Update
7. Adjourn

**Mountain Lake Utilities Commission Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall
Thursday, January 8, 2026
7 AM**

Members Present: David Savage; Todd Johnson; Dean Janzen; Mark Langland; Sue Garloff; City Council Liaison Jeff Jack

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Michael Mueller; City Administrator; Jill Falk; Utility Office Manager; Lane Anderson; Lineman; Steve Peters; Lineman; Taylor Nesmoe; Water/Wastewater Foreman; Scott Pankratz; Water/Wastewater

Others Present:

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7 AM.

Approval of Minutes and Bills

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Johnson, to approve December 23rd Minutes and Check Numbers 24582 - 24608 (844E-853E). Motion carried.

Electric Department

Anderson mentioned that the Christmas decorations have been removed. They have also been working on the new transformer for Milk Specialties/Actus Nutrition.

Water/Wastewater

Nesmoe stated that the VFD for Well #7 has been ordered. As of now, there is no ETA for completion. He also has not heard any updates for the demo truck but will follow up. With #7 down, Well #6 has been forced to work harder. The annual inspection was just completed, and overhaul cleaning was recommended. The process would pull out the pump and clean well to stabilize. There is no rush and this can be completed once #7 is running. **A motion was made by Johnson, to move forward with the overhaul once #7 is repaired. The motion was seconded by Janzen and motion passed.**

City Administrator

No updates to be discussed at this time.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jill Falk, Utilities Office Manager

City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Tuesday, January 20, 2026
5:45 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Jeff Jack

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator

Others Present: Deanna Anderson, Doug Regehr, Rachel Yoder

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 Ysker to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

Bills: Checks #29738-29751, 1670E – 1687E

Payroll: Checks #69278 - 69310

Approve October 14 Tree Commission Minutes

Approve December 16 Library Board Minutes, Report, & Expenditures

Approve December 23 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve January 5 City Council Minutes

Review Bonded Indebtedness

Accept Carl Strike Resignation, Library, effective 1/15/2026

Public

Rachel Yoder spoke during the public comment section of the meeting.

Hazardous Building(s) – Greenhouse

Motion by Kruser, seconded by Ysker to approve Resolution #2-26 Ordering Repair or Removal of Hazardous Conditions. Motion carried 4 – 0.

City Administrator

2025 YTD revenues and expenses were reviewed.

Second reading of the Disruptive Intoxication Ordinance and first reading of an update to the city's tobacco ordinance.

The 2026 chip sealing program was discussed, including potential roads and chip sealing of Mountain Lake Trail. Additional information will be gathered and presented to the City Council before a decision is made.

Roundtable

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

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk

January Street Department Report

- Inventory
- Clean shop and equipment
- Dig grave (1-8-26, 1-15-26) cremation
- Trim blvd. Trees
- Salt sand roads, clean sidewalks, ice storm 1-8-26
- Haul snow piles away
- Clean up Pete Falk station trees
- Blade gravel roads and drag
- Repaint park garbage can containers
- Get chip seal bid
- Prepare #4 for sale, clean, remove tools, etc.
- Plow streets, alleys, city parking lots and sidewalks (1-17-26)
- Clean skating rink
- Plow snow, haul snow, etc.
- Install new broom for skidloader

CITY OF MOUNTAIN LAKE, MN

ORDINANCE #2-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN LAKE ADDING CHAPTER 8, SECTION 7, DISRUPTIVE INTOXICATION ORDINANCE

SECTION 8.07. DISRUPTIVE INTOXICATION ORDINANCE

Subdivision 1. Purpose.

It is the policy of the city to provide for the safety, health and welfare of the public while prohibiting certain harmful conduct of intoxicated persons in public places.

Subdivision 2. Definitions.

For the purpose of this section the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

1. INTOXICATED PERSON. Any person who is presently impaired, mentally or emotionally, as a result of the presence of alcohol, drugs or a controlled substance in the person's body. Evidence of an intoxicated person may include, but is not limited to, any combination of the following indicators: odor of intoxication on the breath; bloodshot, watery eyes; dilated pupils; stumbling or staggering; slurred speech; failure of standardized field sobriety testing (SFST); failure of drug recognition protocol; or an alcohol concentration of .08 or more as measured by a portable breath testing device (PBT).
2. PUBLIC DISRUPTION. Loud or boisterous yelling, urinating in public, lewd or combative conduct, or disobeying a peace officer's lawful command.
3. PUBLIC PLACE. A building or place controlled by the city, a school, a place of worship, public street, public sidewalk, alley, park, publicly owned lands, and any indoor or outdoor area, whether privately or publicly owned, to which the public has access by right or by invitation, expressed or implied, whether by payment of money or not. PUBLIC PLACE excludes the interior premises of a licensed alcohol establishment.

Subdivision 3. General Offenses.

(1) Disruptive intoxication. No intoxicated person shall, in a public place:

- (A) Conduct himself or herself so as to be a danger to themselves or others;
- (B) Be unable to exercise care for their own safety or the safety of others; or

(C) Engage in a public disruption.

Subdivision 4. Sobriety Testing.

(1) Sobriety testing. No person shall be cited under this section unless one of the following is satisfied:

- (A) The person has attempted and failed an SFST;
- (B) The person has submitted to a PBT and the result of the PBT shows the person's alcohol concentration to be .08 or more;
- (C) The person refuses to submit to SFST or a PBT by a peace officer who has reasonable articulable suspicion to request testing; or
- (C) A person is so intoxicated or belligerent that performing SFST or a PBT would put the individual, peace officers or others at risk of harm.

Subdivision 5. Criminal Penalty.

(1) Criminal penalty. Disruptive intoxication is a misdemeanor as defined by M.S. § 609.02, Subd. 3, as it may be amended from time to time.

Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Mountain Lake, Minnesota this 2nd day of February, 2026.

Mike Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Michael Mueller, City Administrator

CITY OF MOUNTAIN LAKE, MN

ORDINANCE #3-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN LAKE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, SECTION 31, SUBDIVISION 8 & 11, CONCERNING TOBACCO REGULATIONS – COMPLIANCE CHECKS & INSPECTIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES

The City Council of the City of Mountain Lake ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6.31, subdivision 8 and 11, of the Mountain Lake City Code is hereby amended to add the following underlined language and delete the ~~strikethrough~~ language as follows:

Subdivision 8. Compliance Checks and Inspections. All licensed premises shall be open to inspection by local law enforcement or other authorized city official during regular business hours. From time to time, but at least twice per year, the city shall conduct compliance checks. In accordance with state law, the city will conduct at least one compliance check that involves the participation of a person ~~at least 17 years of age, but under the age of 21, between the ages of 15 and 17 and at least one compliance check that involves the participation of a person between the ages of 18 and 20~~ to enter licensed premises to attempt to purchase licensed products. Prior written consent is required for any person under the age of 18 to participate in a compliance check. Persons used for the purpose of compliance checks will be supervised by law enforcement or other designated personnel. No person used in compliance checks shall attempt to use a false identification misrepresenting their age, and all persons lawfully engaged in a compliance check shall answer all questions about their age asked by the licensee or his or her employee and shall produce any identification, if any exists, for which they are asked. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit compliance checks authorized by State or Federal laws for educational, research, or training purposes, or required for the enforcement of a particular State or Federal law.

Subdivision 11. Administrative Penalties.

1. **Licensees.** Any licensee found to have violated this ordinance, or whose employee shall have violated this ordinance, shall be charged an administrative fine of ~~\$200~~\$300 for a first violation; An administrative fine of \$5600 shall be imposed for a second offense at the same licensed premises within a ~~twenty-four~~ thirty-six month period after the initial violation; and For a third violation at the same licensed premises within a thirty-six month period after the initial violation, an administrative fine of \$751,000 shall be imposed, and the license shall be suspended for not less than 30 consecutive days, for a third or subsequent offense at the same location within a twenty-four month period or as the council determines in its fine schedule as amended from time to time. In addition, after the third offense, the license shall be suspended for not less than 30 consecutive days. Upon a fourth violation at the same licensed premises within a thirty-six month period after the initial violation, the license shall be revoked.

2. Other Individuals. Individuals, other than persons under the age of 21 regulated by subdivision 11(3) of this Subdivision, found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be charged an administrative fine of \$50, or as the council determines in its fine schedule as amended from time to time.

3. Persons under the Age of 21. Persons under the age of 21 who use a false identification to purchase or attempt to purchase licensed products shall only be subject to non-criminal, non-monetary civil penalties such as tobacco-related education classes, diversion programs, community services, or another penalty that the city determines to be appropriate. The City Council will consult with court personnel, educators, parents, children and other interested parties to determine an appropriate penalty for persons under the age of 21 in the city. The penalty may be established by ordinance and amended from time to time.

4. Misdemeanor. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit the city from seeking prosecution as a misdemeanor for any alleged violation of this ordinance by a person 21 years of age or older.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Mountain Lake, Minnesota this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Michael Mueller, City Administrator

Beck Excavating, Inc.

712-336-0777
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2903 15th Street
P.O. Box 348
Spirit Lake, Iowa 51360-0348

Date: 1/12/26
To: City of Mountain Lake
Project: 2026 Bike Trail and Street Quote

We are pleased to quote the following:

Material Description	Est. Quantity	UOM	Unit Price	Total
Bike Trail				
Option 1: Fog Seal	10,560.00	SY	\$1.00	\$10,560.00
Option 2: Chip Seal	10,560.00	SY	\$2.45	\$25,872.00
City Streets with Remaining Tanker				
Chip Seal	10,107.00	SY	\$2.45	\$24,762.15
Traffic Control	1.00	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Mobilization	1.00	LS	\$1,850.00	\$1,850.00
Total:				\$64,544.15

Notes:

Total Calculated includes both options 1 & 2 for bike trail. Delete cost of option not chosen for actual total cost.

City can supply cones and set up closures to elimate traffic control item.

Fog sealing material to be CSS-1H applied at .20 gallons per SY.

Chip Sealing oil to be CRS-2P applied at .3 gallons per SY.

Chip Sealing rock to be FA 2.5 quartzite applied at 25 lbs per SY.

No bond, dues, or incidentals included.

Thank you for the opportunity to quote you and we look forward to working with you!

Beck Excavating, Inc.

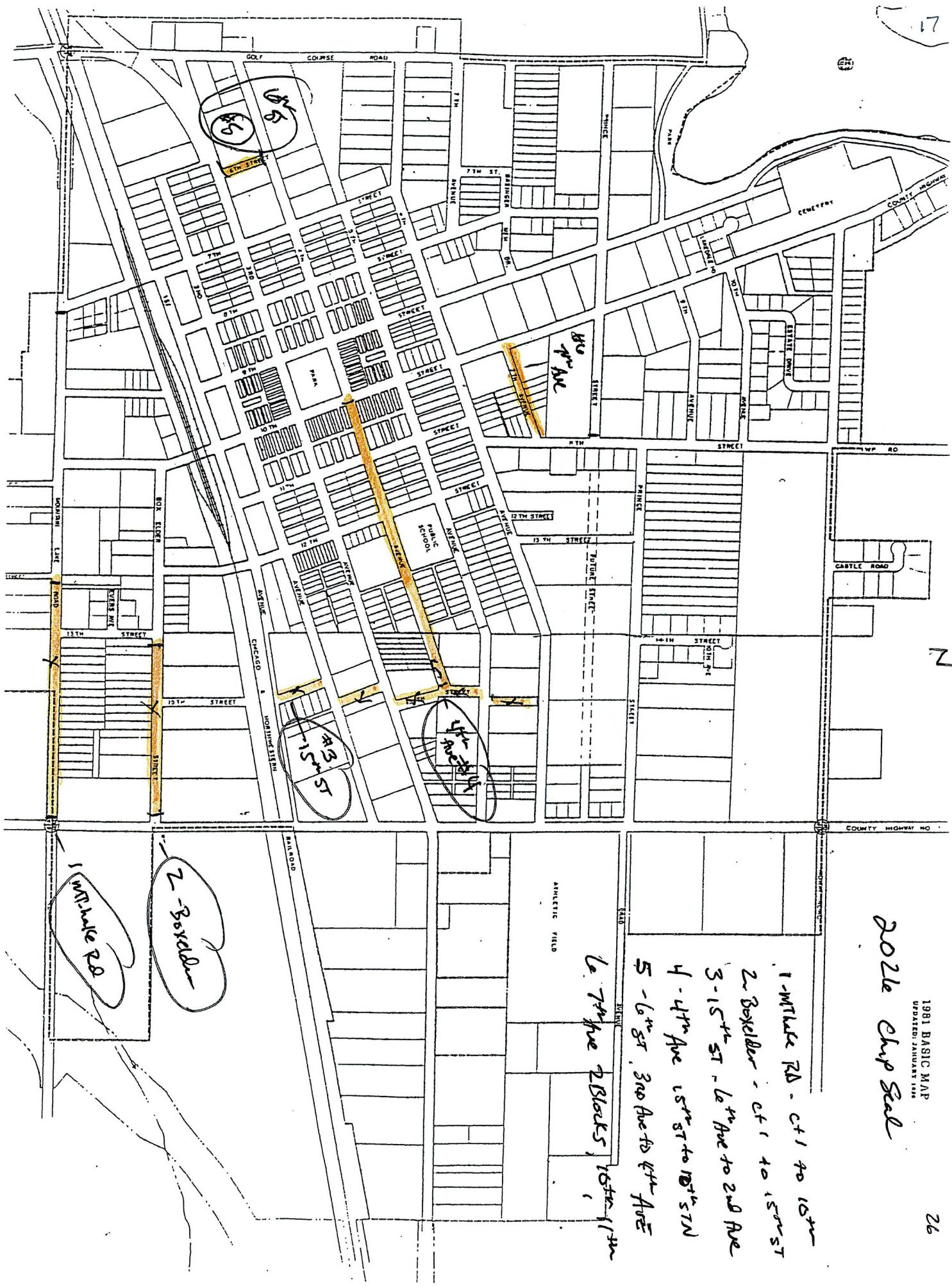
Accepted: _____

Signature: _____

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By: _____

By: _____
Date: _____



2026 Chip Seal

1981 BASIC MAP
UPDATED: JANUARY 1986

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