

CITY OF BOWDLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
BOWDLE HEALTHCARE: COMMUNITY ROOM
8001 5th STREET, BOWDLE, SD 57428

MONDAY, May 4, 2026, 7:00PM

MEETING MINUTES

Mayor Rick Boschee called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present: Council Members: Rex Gab, Mike Gunderson, Amber Shaykett, Margaret Bobby and Darryn Barnhardt. Finance Officer; Cory Kappenman. Superintendent; Rodney Schlecht. Healthcare CEO and CFO: Brian Ermer and Brooke Heilman. Commissioner; Tim Thomas. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Tara Beitelspacher from The Pride of the Prairie recorded the meeting.

Agenda: Motion by Bobby, second by Shaykett, to approve the agenda. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Gunderson, second by Gab, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 6, 2026. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Healthcare Center: CFO Heilman read the (March) 2026 financial statements. The month showed a facility-wide Loss of (126,599.25). Hospital monthly Loss of (90,047.99). Long Term Care monthly Loss of (16627.07). Clinic monthly loss of (19,924.19).

CEO: Ermer presented the (March) Statistics versus previous year: Hospital acute days were up by 3. Hospital swing bed days were up by 4. Nursing home resident days were up by 1. ER visits are up by 17. The clinic visits are up by 92. Lab tests are up by 280. Rehab/Therapy remains strong, outpatient services were up by 9.

CEO: Ermer presented the Facility Personnel changes for the month of (April). Wage Increase: 5 Year step increase- Kaitlyn Rausch, 29.37. Kaylie Hunter, 36.60. Lora Schlecht, 27.03. Real Radiology providers reappointment of another 2-year term: Dr. Casey Schumberger, MD.; Dr. Sumeet Bahl, MD.; Dr. Steven Black, MD.; Dr. Nicholas Henson, MD.; and Dr. Frederic Joseph, MD. Motioned by Gab, second by Gunderson to accept wage increases and reappointments. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: CFO Heilman requested to move the June meeting to the 8th for extra time to switch over to the new billing system. Commissioner Thomas informed the council that the Bowdle Healthcare Center was not awarded the contract for the new correctional facility in Ipswich. CEO Ermer explained that the main concern for BHC staff is the growing patients and residents.

Payroll (April): Hospital/Nursing Home/Clinic Wages, (389,438.33), IRS, Payroll Taxes (88,383.18), AFLAC (4,136.36), Colonial Supplemental Insurance (47.48), Delta Dental Plan (4,739.26), Vision Service Plan (676.90), SD Retirement System (43,531.10), Washington Mutual (42.56), Wellmark, (89,901.39)

CFO: Heilman presented the April payment of claims. Motioned by Bobby, second by Barnhardt to approve hospital payment of claims. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Payee	Payment
McKesson Corporation - Remit-To:	3,392.07
Wellmark Inc - Remit-To:	89,901.39
A&B Pure Water Online LTD - Remit-To:	618.00
ADP Inc - Remit-To:	206.42
AFLAC - Remit-To:	4,136.36
Agiliti Health Inc - Remit-To:	3,422.10
Armstrong Medical Industries Inc - Remit-	115.59
Avel eCare LLC - Remit-To:	5,574.46
Avel eCare Medical Group PC - Remit-	4,995.45
Avera Health - Remit-To:	27,411.07
Avera McKennan Hospital - Remit-To:	180.00
Avera St Lukes - Remit-To:	13,070.81
Bowdle Building & Hardware - Remit-To:	19.53
Bowdle Healthcare Foundation - Remit-	88.70
Bowdle Pit Stop Inc - Remit-To:	246.82
Bracco Diagnostics Inc - Remit-To:	181.06
Brandon John Bertsch - Remit-To:	13,375.00
Briggs Medical Service Company - Remit	56.84
Cardinal Health Inc - Remit-To:	24,643.42
Carefusion 303 Inc - Remit-To:	614.00
Caresfield LLC - Remit-To:	74.05
Christopher David Gillick - Remit-To:	4,671.88
City of Bowdle - Remit-To:	1,738.81
CNA Surety - Remit-To:	100.00
College of American Pathologists - Remit	5,676.10
Colonial - Remit-To:	47.48
CorTrust Bank - Remit-To:	2,404.86
Dakota Truck Underwriters - Remit-To:	25.00
Delta Dental of South Dakota - Remit-	4,739.26
Direct Supply - Remit-To:	195.12
DMS Health Technologies Inc - Remit-	3,041.56
Ecolab Inc - Remit-To:	106.25
Eide Bailly LLP - Remit-To:	714.42
Fisher Scientific Company LLC - Remit-	2,566.06
Fusion Medical Staffing LLC - Remit-To:	17,210.90
GE Precision Healthcare LLC - Remit-	2,898.78
GetMed Staffing Inc - Remit-To:	19,505.85
Hase Plumbing Htg & Air Cond Inc -	252.88
Healthcare Services Group Inc - Remit-	54,103.87
Interstate Office Products Inc - Remit-To:	258.71
Joan M Conlon - Remit-To:	1,077.85
Jon Brockel - Remit-To:	75.00
Kayla Jung - Remit-To:	2,687.50
Les'S Standard - Remit-To:	288.96
Lifeserve Blood Center - Remit-To:	2,224.04
Linde Gas & Equipment Inc - Remit-To:	4,687.32
McKesson Corporation - Remit-To:	23,565.15
McKesson Medical-Surgical Inc - Remit-	6,523.55
McQuillen Creative Group - Remit-To:	300.00
MDU Resources Group Inc - Remit-To:	11,262.96
Medical Review Consultants - Remit-To:	55.00

Medical Waste Transport Inc - Remit-To:	235.50
Menard Inc - Remit-To: Menards_ -	119.98
Network Services Company - Remit-To:	123.23
Northland Business System - Remit-To:	632.67
Northland Healthcare Alliance - Remit-	1,162.00
Owens & Minor Distribution Inc - Remit-	5,372.73
Performance Health Supply Inc - Remit-	814.71
Petty Cash - Remit-To:	8.10
Pride of the Prairie - Remit-To:	160.30
QuidelOrtho Sales Company LLC -	351.43
RD Drenkow & Co - Remit-To:	2,287.62
Reuer Sanitation - Remit-To:	1,017.00
Roseanne Ullmann - Remit-To:	1,070.88
Sanford Health Network - Remit-To:	577.56
Servall Rapid City - Remit-To:	426.00
Sharla Ann Carda - Remit-To:	1,208.14
Siegel Barnett & Schutz LLP - Remit-To:	895.00
Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics Inc -	1,071.00
South Dakota Board of Nursing	260.00
South Dakota Department of Health -	12.00
South Dakota Health Care Association -	852.50
South Dakota Retirement System -	43,531.10
State of South Dakota - Remit-To:	60.00
Stericycle Inc - Remit-To:	103.26
Tara Huggins - Remit-To:	4,078.35
Tracy Wright - Remit-To:	885.75
Transmed Inc - Remit-To:	4,185.47
Tri State Water Inc - Remit-To:	150.00
Turner Drug - Remit-To:	6,672.48
US Banks - Remit-To:	2,000.00
Venture Communications Cooperative -	2,382.99
Vision Service Plan Insurance Co -	676.90
Washington Mutual Insurance Company -	42.56
Waste Connections Inc - Remit-To:	72.00
Western State Fire Protection Co - Remit	245.00
AR Patient Refund	1,757.23
Expense Payment	1,738.94

Executive Session: Motion by Barnhardt, second by Gunderson to enter executive session. All voted Yes. Motion carried. Council entered session at 7:21 and ended at 7:56. Motion was made by Bobby, second by Gunderson to approve Dr. Kessler one year contract. All voted yes. Motioned carried. Motion was made by Shaykett, second by Gab to approve the raise of .50/hr. to Lydia Schniabile. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Streets, Water, Sewer: A Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Rodney Schlecht for meeting all state requirements for safe drinking water to the public. A Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence (2025), was awarded to the Bowdle Public Water System for 16 consecutive years of safe drinking water to the public it serves. An insurance claim has been filed for the water storage tank. The engineer is working on the preliminary report for the storage tank. Bowdle is on the list for SDARWS to locate and map curb stops. The privacy fence and flower planters will be reinstalled on the south side of Main Street. Tara Bietelspacher will contact school for someone to take care of planters for the summer. F/O to contact Liedholt Electric to reinstall outlets on Main St. poles, power to the Town Square, and temporary power panel for Tower Days.

Ongoing Business: Fire Department water meter, and handrails have been installed.

Building Permits/Consent: Permits for Latschaw, Redeemer Luthern, Jerid Stotz and Louise Reuer where reviewed. Motion by Bobby, second by Barnhardt to accept the permits. All voted Yes. Motion carried. Open

container permit for Tower Days was requested. Motion by Shaykett , second by Barnhardt to approve the permit for the entire town, June 26 and 27, 2026. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Library Minutes: The Council reviewed the Library Meeting Minutes from April 28. The minutes are on file at the city office for review. Motioned by Barnhardt, second by Shaykett to approve the minutes. All voted yes. Motion carried. The next meeting will be June 30, 2026, at 7 pm.

New Business: Property coverage for the city property was reviewed and adjusted for 2026. The coverage is on file at the city office for review. The BEDC presented an agreement for the city to continue to cover the Duplexes and Old School House and designate the BEDC as the loss payee. Motioned by Gab, second by Barnhardt to approve the agreement. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Finance Office: April Statement of Accounts, Monthly Receipts, Monthly Expenses and Water Loss Report (12.2%), were reviewed and approved by the council.

City Receipts (April): CorTrust Bank, Interest, 250.64; Raymond James Interest, 579.98; State of SD, Sales Tax, 17,722.32; State of SD, Alcohol Reversion, 631.57; Edmunds Co. Property Tax, 6,305; Edmunds Co. Motor Vehicle, 1,496.14; City Franchise Fee, 335.06; City Rentals 1,700.; Pet License 44; Golf Cart License 30; Building Permits 75; Rubble Site Fees, 1,288.45; Water/Meter Deposit, 17,502.43; Water Debt 1, 1753.92; Water Debt 2, 2198.68; Sewer/Late Fees, 7247.45; Sewer DANR Surcharge, 7156.93; Sewer Debt 1, 1691.28; Sewer Debt 2, 2120.49; Project Reimbursement, 94,861.98.

City Payment of Claims (April):City Payroll: Executive wages, 84.50 ; Admin wages, 2850.21; Street wages, 3345.36; Library wages, 2503.83; Water wages, 3097.78; Sewer wages, 3097.78; Community room/utilities, 1266.85; CorTrust Bank Visa, supplies, 3106.03; Montana Dakota/FEM, utilities, 3045.28; The Pride, publishing, 155.78; Venture, phone/internet, 377.34; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax, 91.39; Web Water, water supply, 8607.82; IMEG, Engineering, 13482.50; Schwan, handrails, 6340; McClouds Printing, Election, 102.22; Matheson, supplies 17.95; Reimbursements, 85.50; USDA Rural Dev, loan payments, 13732.00.

Other Business: Cahill Bahuer is scheduled for an audit this year. Adam Quaschnick will send out engagement letters soon. Bobby inquired about the driveways needing repairs yet. Mayor will check with Rodney on getting a load of ground asphalt to also be used behind the Nursing Home.

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2026, at 7:00 pm in the Bowdle Healthcare Center Community Room. Motion by Shaykett, second by Gunderson to adjourn at 9:07 pm. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Rick Boschee, Mayor 5/4/2026

Attest:

Cory Kappenman, Finance Officer.

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