

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOTT CITY COUNCIL

April 14, 2025

The Council met for their monthly scheduled meeting on Monday, April 14, 2025. Present were Mayor Mosbrucker, Council members Steiner, Treichel, K. Messmer, Johnson, J. Messmer and Wangsvick. Superintendent Brian Steinke, Luann Dart, Anthony Setness, and Sheriff Sarah Warner were also present. All motions are carried, unless otherwise stated.

Steiner moved and Treichel seconded the approval of the March 2025 meeting minutes with a couple of corrections. The date of the meeting was listed as February not March.

Johnson moved and J. Messmer seconded the approval of the police report presented for March. There were 7 calls for service with one 9-1-1 call. The investigations were suspicious person/vehicle/activity, nuisance scam calls/emails, motor vehicle accident with injury.

Anthony Setness gave an update on the USDA funding for the Street Project. Basically the USDA has informed Moore that they have no additional grant money and that we should apply for the remaining funds through the SRF program. If we can get the funding in place quickly we can get the bidding set up and still possibly get work done this Summer. Steiner moved and Wangsvick seconded the approval of all plans and specs pending funding approval. Additionally at the May meeting there will need to be special assessment resolutions.

The Mayor and Council have received numerous complaints regarding 304 Iowa Ave. Wangsvick moved and J. Messmer seconded having a certified letter sent giving the homeowner ten days to clean-up. If nothing is completed, then the Council will pursue having the building condemned.

The Mayor and Council discussed insurance costs. The Council would like the City entities regarding procuring their own liability/fire/tornado insurance.

J. Messmer moved and K. Messmer seconded cashing in CD# 2000586 for \$97,351.82 and moving \$150,000.00 from City Sales Tax to pay the annual loan payment of \$249,368.92 for street work.

Treichel moved and Johnson seconded the approval of the first reading of the City's Jake Brake Ordinance: ORDINANCE NO. 2025-1 – CITY OF MOTT, NORTH DAKOTA ORDINANCE PROHIBITING USE OF ENGINE BRAKES ARTICLE I. - The following traffic offense is hereby ordained by the City of Mott Council: **Engine Brakes – Prohibited Use** 1. This ordinance applies to the use or operation of an auxiliary or compression engine brake (also known as “Jake Brake”) which produces noise in addition to the normal operating engine noise. 2. It shall be a traffic offense, except in emergency situations, for any driver of a truck or truck -tractor to activate or use the unit's engine brake upon State Highway 8 and State Hwy 21 in the City of Mott, in Hettinger County, North Dakota starting from 1 mile north of Mott City limits on State Highway 8, 1 mile south of Mott city limits on State Highway 8 and State Highway 22 and 1 mile east of Mott city limits on State Highway 21 when a traffic sign prohibiting such use and signifying that a vehicle noise ordinance is enforced. The City may affix the amount of the penalty to the traffic sign as allowed under 11-10-31 NDCC. 3. The term “emergency situation,” for the purposes of this ordinance shall mean one in which there is imminent danger of collision with property, person or animal. 4. The penalty sign must be uniform in size and text in relation to the traffic sign to which it is affixed and in compliance with the manual on uniform traffic control devices. **Penalty** - Any person, or persons, violating or failing to comply with any provision of this Ordinance commits a traffic offense and is to be fined, upon conviction, a non-criminal administrative penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. **Article II.** - It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City of Mott Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections, of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Commission without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause,

sentence, paragraph, or section. **Article III.** This ordinance will take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication for three consecutive weeks of this ordinance in the official City newspaper.

ND League of Cities has an affiliate program with Text My Gov. A program that allows Cities to alert residents through texting their phones. The Council thought between our App, Facebook and Channel 93 that this would be redundant.

Superintendent Steinke shared that the Lagoon was going to be tested for efficiency. The valve that was needed for the West Mott lift station was ordered and installed by the City workers. There was an electrical issue that Greff Electric has temporarily fixed while waiting for the correct part on back order. The contractors at the Equity Agronomy will be in touch with the City to discuss hooking up water and sewer lines and the best way to do it. The old red flatbed truck has had it's brakes repaired. Tarring streets continues between storms. J. Messmer moved and Johnson seconded ordering parts now from Hanke for the snowplow as they are 90 days out on orders and it's not likely the parts will be any cheaper closer to next winter, the parts order totaled \$1683.61.

Wangsvick moved and Johnson seconded approving the raffle permit for Cannonball Sportsmen.

Next month, prior to the meeting, the Council will tour the City.

K. Messmer moved and Steiner seconded the approval of the bills as presented:

The amount of \$20,535.89 in salaries and deductions were paid as authorized; #41526 M&O Sanitation \$3524.80; #41527 Visa \$960.15; #41531 Brian Steinke \$100.19; #41532 Cardinal Insurance \$17,867.00; #41533 Consolidated Telcom \$236.15; #41534 Dakota Dust-Tex \$38.70; #41535 Dakota Pump & Control \$1423.00; #41536 Dakota Supply Group \$679.46; #41537 Dakota West Inspection Svcs \$643.25; #41538 Fitterer Sales \$841.15; #41539 Frieze Auto Parts \$639.01; #41540 Gooseneck Implement \$83.02; #41541 Greff Electric \$518.72; #41542 GS Publishing \$123.90; #41543 HA Thompson & Sons \$4560.00; #41544 M&O Sanitation \$3330.20; #41545 MDU 5,168.11; #41546 Mott Armory \$940.00; #41547 Mott Equity Exchange \$354.51; #41548 Mott Park District \$20,024.59; #41549 ND One Call \$6.85; #41550 ND Surplus Property \$350.00; #41551 Oien Grocery \$26.58; #41552 Pamela Steinke \$163.17; #41553 SW Water Authority \$7,385.05; #41554 SW District Health \$25.00; #41555 Team Lab \$58.50; #41556 West River Mechanical \$645.00.

K. Messmer moved to adjourn and J. Messmer seconded.

ATTEST:

Pamela Steinke
Auditor

Troy Mosbrucker
Mayor

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOTT ZONING BOARD
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The Board met for their monthly scheduled meeting on Monday, April 14, 2025. Present were Board members Steiner, Treichel, K. Messmer, Johnson, J. Messmer, and Wangsvick. Troy Mosbrucker, Luann Dart, and Brian Steinke were also present. All motions are carried, unless otherwise stated.

Wangsvick called the meeting to order.

Johnson moved and K. Messmer seconded the approval of the March 2025 minutes with a correction; the word “but” should have been “put”.

J. Messmer moved and K. Messmer seconded the following building permits:

- Caitlyn Olson – Fencing
- Lawrence Irvine – Cat Patio
- 117 Brown LLC – Interior Renovations
- Mott Park Board – Bope Park Pickle Ball Court

J. Messmer moved and K. Messmer seconded adjourning the meeting.

ATTEST:

Pamela Steinke
Auditor

Mick Wangsvick
President