

APPROVED
City Council Proceedings
5/5/2026

The Onida City Council met on Tuesday, May 5th, 2026 at the City office with Mayor LaJena R. Gruis presiding. Present at Roll Call: Caleb Shepherd, Jessica Olivier, JR Rausch, Mike Wiley, and Teri Carter. Also Present: Tim Gruis, Sheila Ring, and Adam Sitzman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Gruis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Motion by Carter seconded by Shepherd to approve the minutes from the April 13th, 2026 meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Superintendent Gruis stated that the landfill has been burned and ashes removed, repairs to water service at 201 Cedar Avenue, signs put up, updated lead and copper water testing sites, street sander put away for the season, mounted water tanks on flatbed, mosquito fogger serviced and calibrated, street sweeper repaired, working on pool, sprayed weeds, picked up new bucket truck, and helped with the Freshman Impact program. Gruis also stated that he is not going to slurry the streets this year as he is having problems with the supplier and will instead spend more time on asphalt with a lot of patching and crack sealing.

SURPLUS: Gruis asked council's permission to surplus the following equipment: the blue dump truck and the old bucket truck. These items will be put on either Purple Wave or Big Iron. Motion to approve by Carter seconded by Rausch. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sherriff: No report.

BUILDING PERMITS: The following building permits were presented for approval:

The Blue Goose – 217 S Main St – walk in cooler area and concrete work

Terry Duffel – 503 So 6th St – 50 x 60 garage

Barb Gilliland – 405 So Main Street – 8 x 10 shed and 10 x 10 front deck

Motion by Wiley seconded by Olivier to approve the building permits. All ayes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Wiley to go into executive session at 7:05 p.m. in accordance to SDCL 1-25-2(1). All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Rausch seconded by Shepherd to come out of executive session at 7:13 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

POOL: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Carter to hire Olivia Olson as a lifeguard at \$23.50 per hour and Paige Jonas at \$20.50 per hour. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Mosiman.

ORDINANCE 2026-01 FIREWORKS: The second reading of ordinance 2026-01 FIREWORKS was completed. Motion to approve by Shepherd seconded by Wiley. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Mosiman. This ordinance is published separately.

ARRIVAL: Mosiman arrived at 7:30 p.m.

GARBAGE COLLECTION BIDS: Two (2) bids were received for the Three (3) year garbage contract. The bids came in as:

Vendor	Residential	Commercial	2yd	4 yd	300 gall
BDS	\$27.00	\$35.00	na	na	\$65.00
River Bottom Sanitation	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$45.00	\$95.0	NA

Extra Service:

BDS Outside users will be evaluated before any decision are made
Annual increase of 3% on each succeeding year of the contract

River Bottom
Sanitation \$700.00 monthly charge for the 2nd pickup of the 5 large dumpsters next to the city shop
10% increase when and if diesel prices exceed \$4.00 per gallon at the beginning of each
month.

Motion by Wiley seconded by Rausch to accept the bid from River Bottom Sanitation. Roll Call: all ayes.
Motion carried.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: Finance 2521.15, Streets 5527.64, Parks 978.49, Water 2719.91, Electric 2854.41, Sewer 3173.81, Garbage 3114.27, Council 1950.00. OTHER: Sully County Treasurer law enforcement 6275.34, S. D. Treasurer taxes 4013.25, Mid-Dakota Rural Water supplier 10349.90, Post Office supplies 269.62, Venture Communications 485.74, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance 4545.68, Oahe Electric supplier 61956.70, Oahe Electric truck and fee 15416.67, South Dakota Retirement System contributions 2476.15, E.F.T.P.S taxes 5659.99, Public Health Lab testing 40.00, Marco copier contract 248.27, Lamb's Discount supplies 471.14, Onida Watchman publications 970.10, AFLAC insurance 1514.74, Lamb Motors repairs 394.74, River Bottom Sanitation collection 11741.40, Lamb Chevy repairs 820.15, Helms and Asso airport 1897.40, KBA annual report 800.00, Sovell Oil fuel 165.13, Badger Meter supplies 132.29, ABT fee and supplies 1289.95, Cash postage 16.03, May Adam retainer 750.00, AT&T phone 10.53, Brett's Spray airport 228.95, Nye Lumber supplies 131.56, Team Lab supplies 2181.00, Hughes Electric repairs 1719.13, Environmental Equipment supplies 66.78, Clark Mosquito Control supplies 208.70, Curt Olson service 750.00. Motion made by Carter seconded by Shepherd to pay all bills. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. by Wiley seconded by Carter. All ayes. Motion carried. The next regular City Council meeting will be Monday, June 1st, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor, LaJena R. Gruis

Finance Officer, Rondha Hiller

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