

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
JEFFERSON CITY COUNCIL  
JEFFERSON, SOUTH DAKOTA

May 4, 2026  
City Hall  
7:00 p.m.

Members present: M. LaFleur, J. Lokhorst, M. Nelkie and M. Stokely.

Others present: K. Koch and M. Roark

Council President Stokely called the Regular meeting of the City Council of Jefferson, South Dakota, to order. Motion to approve the agenda by Lokhorst second by Nelkie. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2026, City Council meeting by LaFleur second by Lokhorst. Motion carried.

**Actual Bank Balances:**

Checking: \$ 18,974.94

Savings: \$270,636.80

C.D.: \$18,310.94

Petty Cash: \$100.00

Restricted Cash: \$ 10,861.22

**TOTAL FUND BALANCE AS of: 04-30-2026: \$ 318,883.90**

Motion to approve the financial statement by Lokhorst second by Nelkie. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

The FO advised the City Council the General Liability insurance for the Days of '59 has been received and the General Liability certificate of insurance for the tractor pull proof has been provided to the City. A discussion followed.

The TextMyGov proposal was next on the agenda. Motion to table any action on the TextMyGov proposal until the June 1, 2026, City Council meeting by LaFleur second by Lokhorst. Motion carried.

A housing study has been discussed in years past. Porchlight sent the FO a proposal for a housing study. A housing study gathers information about a community as to commuters, residents, economic diversity while performing a visual inspection of existing housing and neighborhoods. Housing studies are typically utilized to show a need for any grant monies requested for Municipal project. A discussion followed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

SD DOT will be holding a meeting Tuesday May 19, 2026, at the Community Center in North Sioux City, South Dakota. CM LaFleur stated he would attend the May 19, 2026, meeting at 2:00 p.m. It was also noted there will be an open house meeting with the same information from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. that evening at the NSC Community Center.

Tammy Allard joined the meeting at 7:16 p.m. A memorial statue for the Main Street pocket park by City Hall has been proposed by Tammy Allard in memory of her late husband Mike Allard. Tammy Allard shared a picture of a 69" tall buffalo she had ordered and was already manufactured. A discussion followed. Preparing the area where the flagpole sits was discussed. Preparing the site by removing the pink rock,

resetting the stacked stone, and planting prairie grass was discussed. Motion by LaFleur to accept the donated memorial statue second by Lokhorst. Motion carried. The City Council members thanked Mrs. Allard for her generous donation.

The FO presented the 2025 Annual Report. The annual report will be published in the Leader Courier and sent to the Department of Legislative Audit.

**Police Department:**

Police Chief Sharkey's report was reviewed and discussed. A copy is kept on file at City Hall.

Traffic Verbal Warning x 7

Traffic Citation

Code Enforcement warning.

Motorist Assist x 2.

Fire Call (False Alarm @ Green Thumb

Ambulance Call x 2

911 Hang up.

Alarm Call (Conoco)

Suspicious Vehicle (Fed Ex truck stuck in the mud)

**Street Department:**

Called Astech on road repair and surfacing, waiting on response.

**Water/Wastewater Department:**

Normal operation and working as it should.

Multiple locates.

Replaced multiple meters.

Flushed Fire hydrants

The FO took this time to inform the City Council certificates of Achievement were sent to Dustin Sharkey and the Jefferson Public Water System for meeting all federal and state requirements for safe drinking water and for supplying the residents with safe drinking water.

**Parks Department:**

Mowed

Clean up weekend went well. Filled up 6 roll offs with household waste and 1 yard waste, also took 3 loads to State Steel.

Cleaned the park bathrooms and got water turned back on.

Estimate on Concrete from Alan Kollbaum 50 x 40, 6" thick for \$16,000.00.

**Informational Items/Public Input:**

EPJ Educational Foundation sent a thank you for the donation to the Chili Cup fundraiser.

Elk Point Pink Ladies will be holding their Pink in the Park June 6, 2026. The letter requests the recipient send a group who would run a game or activity for kids or send a donation towards the bouncy houses along with other activities. Motion by LaFleur to donate the same dollar amount as they did last year second by Nelkie. Motion carried.

The FO advised the City Council after sending the 2025 payroll audit to the SDML WM Compensation Fund the City received a \$2933.00 refund.

City Hall will be closed Monday May 25, 2026, in observance of Memorial Day.

The Annual Sue Lulf walk/run will be held July 11, 2026. Motion by Lokhorst to donate \$300.00 to the walk/run second by Nelkie. Motion carried.

Claims: Motion to pay the audited, approved warrants by LaFleur second by Lokhorst. Motion carried. Monthly payroll: General Fund: \$11,570.85, Enterprise Fund-Water: \$1,402.92, EPF-Sewer: \$1,930.52, Paddy Rigg, cell phone, \$100.00, Ace Hardware, supplies, \$16.51, CW Suter, furnace repair, \$ 716.20, Conoco, fuel, \$210.56, Crary Huff Law Firm, legal fees, \$1,290.35, Dakota Dunes Times, publishing, \$37.50, EFTPS, OASI-Med-WH, \$6,366.22, Leader Courier, publishing, \$603.12, Longlines, phone, \$338.48, Lundquist, Beau, watdeprefund, \$29.54, MAE, utilities, \$1,989.51, Metro Electric, bldg. lights, \$369.24, PVS DX, Inc., chemicals, \$60.00, SD 811, locates, \$6.72, SD Department of Revenue, sales tax, \$283.96, SD Public Health Lab, water tests, \$871.00, SDRS, retirement, \$1,844.98, SD Department of Revenue, MB License, \$150.00, SD UnEmpIns., \$184.65.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn regular session at 7:45 p.m. by Nelkie second by LaFleur. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the Jefferson City Council will be Monday June 1, 2026.

Padraic Rigg  
Mayor  
Jefferson, South Dakota

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