

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

Monday, March 23rd, 2026 at 5:30PM

**Karlstad City Office
104 1st St. S., Suite 100**

Meeting Called to Order By: Mayor Nelson at 5:30pm.

Present: Dale Nelson, Jenny Olson, Ryan Anderson, Rob Mickelson, Markelle Kuznia, Shelby Fossell

Absent: N/A

Guests: Dustin Fanfulik, Jeff Hane

1. **Street Improvements:** File plans with Council and get authorization to put project out to bids. Total project cost is estimated at \$503,000. Base bid is the overlay. Alternate 1 includes the ditching of Lincoln & Lofgren. Alternate 2 includes the chunk of road from the County road to Hwy 59 crossing the RR tracks by Bonnie Loveness' house. Motion by Jenny Olson, second by Ryan Anderson to authorize Widseth to advertise the project out for bids. Ayes carried. Dustin will advertise the project in the NSN the week of 4/2 & 4/9. Bid opening will be at City Hall on 4/23/26 at 10AM. Bids will be presented to Council at the May 4th meeting. If project moves forward, final completion is set for 10/31/26. The Assessment Roll will then be filed with Kittson County by 12/1/26.

2. **Peterson Lot Matter:** Jeff Hane explained to Council that we will be discussing legal matters and litigation tactics during this session and he advises closing the meeting under Attorney/Client Privilege in order to have an open and candid discussion under MN Stat. 13D.05 sub 3b. Motion to close the meeting by Jenny Olson, second by Markelle Kuznia. Ayes carried.

Motion to reopen the meeting to the public at 6:14pm was made by Ryan Anderson, second by Markelle Kuznia. Ayes carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Shelby Fossell

Clerk