

March Clark City Council meeting entails pest control discussion

CITY OF CLARK COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 9, 2026

Call to order: The Clark City Council met in regular session on March 9, 2026, at 7:11 p.m. in the City Hall Council Room.

Council Members Present: Shane Hagstrom, Brandon Kottke, Derrick Dohmann, Melissa Nesheim and Andrew Zemlicka. Dalton was absent.

Others Present: Mayor Kerry Kline, Finance Officer Rae Jean Flora, Deputy Finance Officer April Fitzgerald, Golf Club Manager Tammy Rusher, City Attorney Chad Fjelland (via Zoom), Public Works Supervisor Darin Altfillisch. Mayor Kline called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

Motion # 023-2026 Adopt Agenda

Motion by Zemlicka and seconded by Dohmann to adopt the agenda. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Public Input

Rusher asked for permission for the Chamber to bury a time capsule on City property for America's 250th birthday celebrations that the Chamber and the Historical Society are putting on. The Council gave the go ahead for that.

Zemlicka brought up that he had been approached by a constituent that wanted to know if they would change the hay ground contract to a three-year term. That can be done if the Council wants to change it. That process will start during the April council meeting.

Kline mentioned that she had a concerned citizen that would like a fence put up on the south side of the basketball court at the Swimming Pool Park. They would be more than happy to donate to the project. Altfillisch will check into the cost.

Motion # 024-2026 Approve Legion Special Event Licenses

Motion by Neshiem and seconded by Dohmann to approve the American Legion's request for the Special Event Licenses Pro Pheasants on March 27 from 4:00 p.m. to midnight and Friendly Feud on April 18 from 4:00 p.m. to midnight. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Department Updates

Altfillisch informed the Council that the leased skid loader is getting close on the maximum hours, and that they would have to let Westside Implement know soon if they want to order a new one. He would also like to hire IMEG to have a consultant here during the resurfacing of the street, so they can take care of any issues that may come up during the project. The Council agreed with him.

Flora informed the council that the Legislative District Meeting is March 26 at 6:00 p.m. in Webster. Kottke will accompany Flora and Fitzgerald to that meeting. It is a very informative meeting about this year's legislative session and the new laws that go into effect because of it.

She also wanted the council to know that she and Police Chief Wellnitz, acting in their capacity as code officials, sent a letter out informing the owner of two buildings in town that have been reported to have cockroaches since at least September of last year and evidently had been trying to get rid of them themselves and apparently weren't successful. This letter gave them notice that they had to show proof from a pest control company that this issue had been taken care of. Once that was done, the City had their Ecolab technician come into both buildings and inspect them. He submitted a report that he did see multiple dead cockroaches, but none living. He also warned them that this had to be treated more than just this initial time so they don't come back. While he was here, she had him inspect both of the med vans, because it was reported to their office that somebody that had ridden in one of the vans had them. He sprayed both vans down and did a follow-up and sprayed again before they were used again. They also purchased some spray from him, one that is sprayed at the end of every ride and one that is sprayed at the end of the day on Fridays. This should prevent this issue from happening in the future.

Flora said that Governor Rhoden declared Good Friday and Easter Monday as holiday days off for Easter. Therefore, the office will be closed those days.

Flora and Fitzgerald will both be gone on March 27, so Tara Thomas will be in the office, and Barb Latunski will be substituting in the library for her that day.

Carpets will be shampooed in City Hall and Golf Club on March 16, so City Hall will be closed that morning (the drop box in the east entrance will be open for drop-off payments), and they will work from home until the carpet cleaners say it's okay for them to be walked on.

Flora gave an update on the election: We have one mayoral petition and one councilperson petition turned in; the council position is for Ward 2. March 24 is the final day to turn in petitions and the cutoff is 5:00 p.m. on that day.

Rusher said booklets are going out, hopefully the end of this week. She said they will have a soft opening on April 2-4 with discount weekend being the April 11-12. She and John Brown painted the back room.

Nesheim updated the Council on the pool fundraising. They would like the City to commit to how much of the pool project they are going to fund. That will be discussed when budget discussions are happening.

Motion # 025-2026 Approve Department Updates

Motion by Kottke and seconded by Hagstrom to approve department updates. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion # 026-2026 Approval to Advertise for Summer Rec Coaches

Motion by Hagstrom and seconded by Zemlicka to advertise for coaches for Summer Rec. Flora explained that

the summer rec coordinator Shannon Huber has had a lot of comments from people who would like to coach, but it is always the same coaches, so she would like to try advertising this year. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion # 027-2026 Approve Resolution #880 - Farmland Lease

Motion by Dohmann and Seconded by Zemlicka to approve Resolution 880, as shown on next page. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #880

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO LEASE CITY OWNED PROPERTY TO CODY WOOKEY AND JASON MCHENRY

WHEREAS, the Clark City Council has reviewed and studied the leasing of certain City owned property, legally described as follows:

Approximately 89.13 acres of cropland (FSA Farm 5729) located in the Southeast Quarter (SE¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Sixteen (116) North, Range Fifty-Seven (57) West of the 5th P.M., Clark County, South Dakota.

WHEREAS, the Clark City Council has determined that the leasing of the above-described property would be in the best interest of the City;

WHEREAS, the lease would be for a term exceeding 120 days and for an amount exceeding \$500 in annual value, and pursuant to SDCL 9-12-5.2, the City of Clark must hold a public hearing on the adoption of any Resolution approving a lease of City owned property to a private person or entity for a term exceeding 120 days and for an amount exceeding \$500 in annual value;

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of this lease are as fully set forth in the lease on file in the City Finance Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Clark, a municipal corporation, hereby adopts a Resolution of Intent to enter into a lease of the following described municipally owned property with Cody Wookey and Jason McHenry:

Approximately 89.13 acres of cropland (FSA Farm 5729) located in the Southeast Quarter (SE¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Sixteen (116) North, Range Fifty-Seven (57) West of the 5th P.M., Clark County, South Dakota;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a hearing on the adoption of the Resolution to Lease the above described real estate shall be held on Monday, April 6, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. during the regular meeting of the Clark City Council, to be held in the Council Chambers of the Clark City Hall, 120 North Commercial Street, Clark, South Dakota 57225.

Kerry Kline, Mayor
City of Clark, South Dakota

ATTEST:

Rae Jean Flora, City Finance Officer

Motion # 028-2026 Approve Resolution #881 – Authorizing Application of GF&P Grant

Motion by Nesheim and seconded by Hagstrom to authorize Cassi Kottke and April Fitzgerald, on behalf of the CCAC to file for the Game, Fish and Parks grant. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 881

A Resolution Authorizing Making of Grants Aid in Financing the Acquisition and/or Construction of Specific Outdoor Recreation Projects

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the State of South Dakota have authorized the making of grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to public bodies to aid in financing the acquisition and/or construction of specific public outdoor recreation projects:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Cassi Kottke and/or April Fitzgerald are hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Clark with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, through the State of South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, for an LWCF grant to aid in financing Clark Community Aquatic Center for the City of Clark, South Dakota and its Environs.

2. That Cassi Kottke, Chairperson, and/or April Fitzgerald, Committee Member/City Employee are hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the above-mentioned federal and/or state agencies may reasonably request in connection with the application which is hereby authorized to be filed.

3. That the City of Clark shall provide a minimum of 50 percent of the total cost of the project; and will assume all responsibility in the operation and maintenance of the project upon completion of construction, for the reasonable life expectancy of the facility.

Passed and adopted this 9th day of March, 2026.

Kerry Kline, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rae Jean Flora, Finance Officer
(SEAL)

Motion # 029-2026 Approve Road Resurfacing Bid

Motion by Zemlicka and seconded by Kottke to approve the bid recommendation from IMEG for the road resurfacing by ASTECH, Corp., who had the lowest bid of \$29,449.80. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion # 030-2026 Approve February Meeting Minutes

Motion by Kottke and seconded by

Dohmann to approve the February Meeting Minutes. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion # 031-2026 Approve Financial Statements

Motion by Dohmann and seconded by Nesheim to approve the presented financial statements. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion # 032-2026 Approve Claims

Motion by Zemlicka and seconded by Kottke to approve the following claims. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

FEBRUARY CLAIMS

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32342, Sturdevant's, parts, \$2,295.87; 32343, A-I Computer Solution, anti-virus, \$315.00; 32344, USA BlueBook, street supplies, \$1,165.01; 32345, Avera Occupational Medicine, drug screening annual fees, \$109.80; 32346, Thein Well, well work at golf course, \$388.76; 32347, Menard's, evidence freezer, \$200.99; 32348, Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling, utilities, \$381.85; 32349, Doug's Service & Marine, mower repairs, \$1,615.64; 32350, Clark Rural Water System, Inc., water supply, \$14,110.00; 32351, Void, void, \$-; 32352, Clark Community Oil Co., fuel, \$50.65; 3542, S.D. Department of Revenue, january sales taxes, \$40.04; 3543, S.D. Department of Revenue, golf club sales taxes, \$97.17; 32353, Dakota Pump & Control Inc., sewer repairs, \$417.60; 3546, Pitney Bowes, postage machine upkeep, \$135.75; 32356, JW Roll Off, rolloff & landfill fees for an abatement, \$410.60; 32357, S.D. Municipal League, annual municipal membership, \$1,508.00; 3547, Quill, shop supplies, \$39.18; 3548, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, \$8,418.10; 3549, Northwestern Energy, utilities, \$975.11; 1003, U.S. Bank, water loan, \$9,415.66; 2242, U.S. Bank, sewer loan, \$25,016.47; 32358, Tara Thomas, workshop per diem, \$60.90; 32359, Clark Rotary Club, fence, \$3,000.00; 3552, A & B Business Solutions, copier service agreement, \$101.50; 32360, AT&T, utilities, \$176.19; 32361, Kerry Kline, sink & 2 vanities for clubhouse from menards, \$270.79; **2/17/2026 PAYROLL** Mayor, payroll, \$230.77; Finance Office, payroll, \$2,671.60; Govt Buildings, payroll, \$55.00; Police, payroll, \$4,580.77; Streets, payroll, \$4,707.69; Sewer, payroll, \$1,513.97; Water, payroll, \$1,514.25; Transit, payroll, \$105.00; Library, payroll, \$742.50; 3544, EFTPS, payroll taxes, \$3,424.31; 32355, S.D. Retirement, retirement, \$4,186.38; 32354, Child Support Payment Center, child support, \$352.62; 3545, AFLAC, employee contributions, \$152.70.

MARCH CLAIMS

Principal Financial Group, insurance, \$46.62; Vision Service Plan, insurance, \$451.50; Clark Ace Hardware, supplies, \$895.26; Core & Main, pool parts, \$19.12; IMEG, street design, \$3,750.00; JB's Auto Repair, repairs, \$154.00; S.D. DOT, gas, \$415.62; Star Laundry, laundry service, \$299.58;

Dakota Butcher, alcohol for golf club, \$221.43; S.D. Rural Development, sewer loan, \$787.00; S.D. Rural Development, water loan, \$908.00; S.D. Rural Development, sewer loan 2, \$1,307.00; S.D. Municipal League, district 1 annual meeting, \$90.00; S.D. Department of Health, water testing, \$40.00; Elan Financial Services, credit card payment, \$1,507.11; Econo Signs, signs, \$363.43; Delta Dental, insurance, \$1,519.45; ITC, utilities, \$1,045.41; Northwestern Energy, utilities, \$9,784.62; City of Clark, utilities, \$261.70; A-I Computer Solutions, computer services, \$629.97; Clark County Courier, advertising, \$197.30; Ecolab Pest Elimination, pest control, \$629.97; FedEx, evidence return, \$55.81; Mack's Standard, fuel, \$410.55; Menard's, golf club improvement items, \$704.76; Springer Construction, golf club improvement, \$2,188.81; Sturdevant's, parts, \$660.76; Udrive, texting service, \$50.00; Ken's Food Fair, groceries, \$19.42; Agwrx, fuel, \$1,120.75; Clark Building & Ranch, golf clubhouse improvements, \$287.84; Oscar's Machine Shop, maintenance, \$50.00; Clark Community Oil, diesel, \$81.81; Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling, march garbage service, \$8,420.27; Doug's Service & Marine, lawn mower repairs, \$2,223.82; Sign Pro, golf cart permits, \$308.39; S.D. Public Assurance Alliance, insurance, \$51,647.72; Prairie Lakes Wellness Ctr, lifeguard/wsi training, \$2,600.00; Clark Rural Water, water, \$13,250.00; Dakotaland Woodwork & Cabinets, clubhouse cabinets and countertops, \$6,038.97; **PAYROLL 3/3/2026**, Mayor, payroll, \$280.77; Finance Office, payroll, \$2,751.60; Govt Buildings, payroll, \$92.81; Police, payroll, \$4,630.77; Streets, payroll, \$5,219.76; Sewer, payroll, \$1,703.90; Water, payroll, \$1,704.25; Transit, payroll, \$216.63; Golf Course, payroll, \$209.00; Golf Club, payroll, \$426.50; Library, payroll, \$823.38; EFTPS, payroll taxes, \$3,815.92.

Motion # 033-2026, Adjourn

Motion by Kottke and seconded by Zemlicka to adjourn. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be the Monday, March 16 equalization meeting.

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Mayor Kerry Kline

Attest: Finance Officer
Rae Jean Flora
(seal)

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