

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The town board of Garden City met in regular session on September 7, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Garden City Fire Hall Community Room. President Hansen brought the meeting to order with the following people present: Joyce Hansen, Jake Leibke, Dave Waples, finance officer (FO) Andrea Helkenn, Water Technician Alan Luckhurst and Aaron Bjerke.

AGENDA Motion by Hansen to approve agenda. Second by Leibke. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Public auction was held for the following legal description - Lot 10 & the W1/2 Lot 11 Blk 3 of Haywards Addition to the Town of Garden City, South Dakota. Aaron Bjerke won the bid at \$975.00. FO Helkenn will get deed drawn up.

PUBLIC AGENDA: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Jake Leibke as the Garden City Fire Department Fire Chief advised the board that no codes will be given out for the fire hall community room in order to get access to the AED machine. If the board wants it available to everyone, it would need to go in a Town building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 None.

MINUTES of the August regular meeting were read. Motion by Waples and a second by Hansen to approve the minutes. All voting aye. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS were reviewed and approved on a motion by Leibke and a second by Waples. All voting aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dust control will be done soon. Motion by Leibke second by Waples to contact Forest to put a load of crushed asphalt at the east end of Main St. at the county road. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Update on sewer project. Loan closing date will be September 10. Helms & Associates is still waiting for all parts to be in and will schedule a pre-construction meeting at that time.

Siding on old fire hall will be put on hold for now.

Motion by Hansen second by Waples to hire Eric Tree Service to take

down three trees behind old fire hall. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Water leak was found and fixed on Grover Ave. N. in August. Board will continue to watch water usage which has been very high past couple months.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town meeting will be held September 21, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the fire hall for all persons who pay a town water bill. A letter will be mailed this week.

Hansen spoke with a contractor about installing water meters and his availability.

Hansen wants a spreadsheet created showing water usage since rural water was installed. Helkenn will work on that.

FO Helkenn will follow up with banks again and work on loans for water meters.

Luckhurst showed board report of lagoon inspection and what he found out after discussing with Pierre.

First reading of the 2027 Appropriation ordinance was read.

Claims for September:

Motion by Hansen: Second by Leibke to approve the following claims: all voting aye, motion carried.

Alan Luckhurst \$971.02; Andrea Helkenn \$477.15; NWPS \$1,405.65; Clark County Courier \$48.24; Clark Rural Water \$1,945.00; Sturdevants \$130.25; Rod Clausen \$400.00; Public Health Lab \$40.00; Clark Community Oil \$2,170.51; Ace Hardware \$55.13.

Motion by Hansen to adjourn, second by Leibke. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, October 5, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Garden City Fire Hall Community Room.

Andrea Helkenn
Finance Officer

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