

BURT CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 13, 2026

The Burt City Council met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on January 13, 2026, in the Burt City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Wood presided over the meeting with the following members answering roll call: O'Leary, Jahnke, & Myhre. Absent: Richter. Employees Fitzgerald and Jahnke, Fire Chief Jahnke were in attendance as well as fifteen visitors, which also involved the township trustees.

The council hosted interviews for potential candidates to fill the vacant position on council. One person wanted to fill the vacant position. P. Diekhuis introduced himself, and questions were allowed.

The Public Hearing regarding City property sale and transfer of 404 7th Steet was opened at 5:01pm. There were no written concerns, and just a few residents had questions on what would be happening with the property. Public Hearing was closed at 5:03pm.

The Public Hearing regarding the Appointment of a new Council member opened at 5:04 pm. There were no concerns, but some words of encouragement. Public Hearing closed at 5:04pm.

Mayor Wood announced the appointment of Richter as Mayor Pro-Tem and the following committee appointments:

- A. Personnel & Finance Committee: Richter & Myhre
- B. Economic Development Committee: Jahnke & O'Leary
- C. Parks & Complex Committee: Jahnke & Diekhuis
- D. Nuisance & Road Use Committee: Richter & O'Leary
- E. Public Works Committee: O'Leary & Myhre
- F. Capital Improvement Committee: Myhre & Diekhuis

O'Leary made the motion to approve the following one-year terms:

- A. City Clerk/Treasurer, K. Fitzgerald
- B. City Attorney, E. Clanton Brick & Gentry

Diekhuis seconded the motion. Roll Call. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, & Myhre. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

Jahnke moved to approve the following items contained in the Consent Agenda:

1. Motion to approve the agenda.
2. Motion to approve payment of bills.
3. Motion to approve minutes.
4. Motion to approve financial statements.
5. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-01, contract with Kossuth County Sheriff Department.
6. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-02, designation of representative ICAP.
7. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-03, resolution to certify debt against taxable property.

Myhre seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, & Myhre. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

Myhre made the motion to approve Resolution 2026-04, a resolution authorizing the mayor to sign a contract for the law enforcement services with the Kossuth County Sheriff's Office. O'Leary seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, & Myhre. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

O'Leary made the motion to approve Resolution 2026-05, a resolution authorizing the representative to act as liaisons between the City of Burt and ICAP. O'Leary seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, & Myhre. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

Mayor Wood gave P. Diekhuis the oath of office.

Fire Chief J. Jahnke explained the Fire Departments year and things they foresee happening. Together with the City Council and the Townships they discussed the budget.

Myhre made the motion to leave S. Trunkhill's bill the way it is. M. Jahnke seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, Myhre & Diekhuis. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

M. Jahnke made the motion to accept the changes to the purchasing policy. O'Leary seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: O'Leary, Jahnke, Myhre & Diekhuis. Nays: none. Absent: Richter. Motion carried.

O'Leary made a motion to move the February meeting back a week to February 17th. Diekhuis seconded the motion. All in favor. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

/S/ Kelly Fitzgerald
City Clerk

DECEMBER RECEIPTS

General: \$11,735.08; Post Office: \$842.15; Ambulance: \$100.05; Fire Truck Fund: \$6.46; Burt Summer Celebration: \$620.27; Library: \$396.27; Burt Bulletin: \$10.00; Road Use: \$3,936.43; Employee Benefits: \$1,166.27; L.O.S.T: \$11,554.29; Debt Service: \$37,407.85; Water: \$15,885.19 Sewer: \$10,178.38; Electric: \$32,041.53; Solid Waste: \$6,136.08.

DECEMBER DISBURSMENTS

General: \$13,444.11; Ambulance: \$2,430.46; Fire Truck Fund: \$2.70; Burt Summer Celebration: \$576.89; Library: \$3,402.24; Road Use: \$6,090.90; Employee Benefits: \$1,275.23; L.O.S.T: \$11,072.60; Debt Service: \$10,263.31; Water: \$27,140.80; Sewer: \$37,414.38; Electric: \$37,116.05; Solid Waste: \$5,572.71