

APPROVED

CITY OF EMERADO
201 MAIN STREET, EMERADO, ND 58228
SPECIAL MEETING
9/30/2025 6PM

AGENDA:

The city council is scheduled to meet a Special Meeting on September 30, 2025 @ 6pm located at 201 Main Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Mayor started the meeting at 6:01pm. Roll Call: T Wynn, J Linneman, T Hanson. Mayor let record show all are present.

- I. **Revise 2026 Budget:** Mayor explained today's meeting was to amend the 2026 budget as issues were needing to be fixed and that he would turn it over to Auditor Klava to explain. Auditor Klava explained she had contracted ND League of Cities for guidance on how to help get some of our funds out of the negative and correct the budget, and she felt it was not her job to do this; as she spent two whole days working with them to revise the budget to get it to the 3% that the city can levy due to the new law, which is \$41,735. She explained this should have been the job of the council not hers to get this corrected and now it was up to council to make these changes. Auditor Klava explained the suggestions the ND League of Cities had made, and council made some changes. Auditor Klava also explained they suggested cutting the health insurance. Auditor Klava explained she contacted BCBS and explained the cost if the City went to paying single policy with employee paying the difference for family policy. It was quite a big jump that employees would have to pay out of pocket. Council wants to look into alternative insurance with the same coverage. Mayor Lanes stated we don't want to hurt our employees by cutting insurance that they deserve. T Hanson asked to be on the budget committee. Discussed no more spending and that Blue Water Consulting was to be put on hold until the financials are in order. Auditor Klava will work with ND League of Cities to get the new numbers into the budget and revise it. No motion made to approve the budget as council wants to wait until numbers are plugged in and more information is received on health insurance. Mayor Lanes explained the budget is due 8/10/25, so will have to have another special meeting to approve it. Budget Meeting scheduled for 10/6/2025.

II M/S/C (TH) Adjourn.

At Special Meetings, once agenda is set, **no additional topics may be discussed or voted upon**

Jake Lanes/Mayor Date: 11/3/25

Janelle Klava/City Auditor Date: 11/3/25