

May 4, 2026

The regular meeting of the city council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Mike Sevcik. Present from the council were Tom Boeck, Tiffany Sevcik, KC Reuter, and Ryan Krause. Also present were Don Wolters, Patty Smith, Tamara Dicks, Zach Bubany, Trevor Austin, and Tom Tallman. Absent was Chris Kruse.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2026, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bills:** A motion was made by T Sevcik and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reuter to approve the bills

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Smith had no additional bills. Motion carried unanimously.

**Community Comment:** Tom Tallman addressed council on ordinance violations on 18 properties. He said properties are in violation of 94.18, 94.20, and 94.21. He said nothing ever gets done. Tallman did give his list to the council. Also asked if the person at 308 W Maine Street has EPA certification for removing refrigerants. Tallman said not all residents are discharging sump pumps into the street. Mayor thanked him for his input and some of his concerns may be taken care of with our new ordinance being discussed.

**Public Hearing:** The regular meeting was closed and the public hearing on Ordinance 34 Enforcing Administrative Offences was opened.

Tallman suggested the fine be higher than \$50.00 and should be accumulative. Sevcik said our attorney advised us that we could not have an accumulative fine.

Letters were sent out in April to 20+ residents, listing ordinance violations and reminding them of clean up days May 15 & 16. If not cleaned up or no written plan is given by June 1 council meeting; Mapleton police will send out letters to the residents, and they will receive an administrative fine if not in compliance within 20 days. Mapleton police will do the follow ups and help enforce Ordinance 34 Administrative Fines for Offenses. A motion was made by Krause and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to increase the fines to \$100.00 for each offense. Motion carried unanimously. The public hearing was closed and regular meeting was reopened.

**Ordinance 34 Enforcing Administrative Offenses:** A motion was made by Boeck and 2<sup>nd</sup> by T Sevcik to approve Ordinance 34 Enforcing Administrative Offenses with the fine being \$100.00 per offense. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bollig:** Zach discussed the Water Treatment plant project upgrade. PFA is only qualifying us for \$485,000 on the 2.2-million-dollar project and we will need to get a loan for the

remaining 1.7 million dollars. The interest rate with PFA will be 2% and the loan would be for 30 years. Bollig should receive the paperwork on this about May 20, and we could have a special meeting for the council to approve or at our June 1 meeting. The city did not meet the affordability limits required to receive more money for this project. There is a possibility of principal forgiveness on the loan, but that would not be known at this time. The city would be able to request reimbursement for the invoices we have already paid towards this project. The project will not be starting until January/February of 2027 with the project being completed in 6-8 weeks. There may be other costs to be paid prior to the project starting for supplies that will be ordered. Council asked about using our DEED money we received and that is only for the South Street West project and any business development that would happen in the next 3 – 4 years.

Trevor updated on South Street West project. The roll testing was completed, and we will need more class 5 base added to the area north of old dump site. Change order #1 for \$19,945.20 was presented to council. A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by T Sevcik to approve Change Order #1 for additional Class 5 base. Motion carried unanimously.

Task Order #6 Lead and Copper needs to be adjusted from \$100,000 to \$200,000; they still have monthly meetings with Dept of Health that exceed the original task order. A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Krause to approve the increase to Task Order #6 to \$200,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Notice to Proceed was presented to council for the water treatment project. The supplies will need to be ordered, and they will take 6 months to receive. A motion was made by Krause and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reuter to approve the Notice to Proceed with Wapasha Construction. Motion carried unanimously.

Task Order #10 is part of the Water Treatment Plant Improvements. It is for Bollig's engineering fees for the construction and post construction and any RPR (Resident Project Representative) hours and Operations/Maintenance fees. Task #10 is for \$243,000.00 Boeck asked if there is a guarantee that it will not cost more; Bollig said they cannot promise. Trevor will also look at the estimated lifespan of this project and let council know.

Infrastructure Project Phase #1 amendment was approved by the MN Dept of Health and MPCA today. The amendment includes construction of a separate storm sewer collection system. The stormwater would be conveyed to a stormwater pond on the east side of the city.

Potholing study was approved at no cost to the City of Amboy through MDH. Potholing is a process of hydro-excavation (small hole) at water service lines in the right of way to determine the line material. Since we have very few records of what is underground, this will give us the information we need on lead and copper lines.

**Resolution 2026 – 9 Request State Bonding:** A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by T Sevcik to approve Resolution 2026 – 9 Requesting State Bonding. Motion approved unanimously.

**Zoning:** 417 North Street W applied for permit #659 to build a deck behind the house. It will be 12’ x 10’. A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to approve the deck if all setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously.

**Reports:** Reports were submitted from FD, Police and Public Works. They have used almost half of the bags of pothole patch. Also received a letter from the Dept of Health that we are compliance with our lead and copper testing.

**Linda’s License:** A motion was made by Reuter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boeck to approve the liquor license for Linda’s Place. Krause abstained and motion was approved.

**Miscellaneous:** Krause asked about the drain on corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Prairie Street; Wolters said they are having someone come in and jet it; jetting will also be done on North Street. Reuter said he cannot make the complaint meeting if there is one on May 27. Reuter will be in contact with Kruse on sidewalk to recreational area, so we can get the bids.

City Wide Garage Sales, May-9; City Wide Clean-up, May 15-16; Election Filing May 19 – June 2, Appliance/Electronics Recycling June 2; Planning Commission/Complaint Committee May 27, Council Meeting June 1.

A motion was made by Boeck and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Krause to adjourn at 8:15 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Mike Sevcik, Mayor

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Council

ATTEST:

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Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer