

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2025 COLD SPRING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Heinen at 5:00 p.m. The following City Council members were found to be present: Mayor Dave Heinen and Council Members Mike Fall, Ryan Hennen, Fran Ramler, and Doug Schmitz. Absent: None. Others present: Kris Dockendorf, Cliff Johnson, Sam Butler, Jon Stueve, Jason Blum and Joe Jelovnick.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Cliff Johnson from the Cold Spring Area Historical Society was present to invite the public to their annual meeting. He also talked about the current and future exhibits at the museum. Lastly, he shared a historical artifact, which was a cast iron hitching post that was said to have been mounted on top of a granite pillar outside of the Wenners building in their early days.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION WAS MADE BY HENNEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – September 24, 2025 Regular Meeting

B. Cold Spring Area Baseball Inc., Application to Conduct a Raffle, Form LG220 on January 5, 2026 at Side Bar & Grill – 15 Red River Ave N

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY FALL, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

Stueve explained that staff will be flushing hydrants on October 13 and 14. He gave the Council an update on a recent utility line repair.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

Butler explained that punch list items are being completed today on the 2025 Main Street project. He stated that work continues on the design reports for the 30% design for the Wastewater Treatment Facility. He added that a request for proposal went out for soil borings, and the results will be presented at the next meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Weber reported they have responded to 520 calls for this year. He explained they moved into the new station two weeks ago and things have been going smoothly. He provided a reminder about the Open House event being hosted at the Fire Hall on Saturday, October 11, 2025.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Blum provided a report on the calls for service for the month of September. He reminded the public to call in right away when they see something off, lock up items and be wary of scams.

CITY ADMINSTRATOR REPORT

Dockendorf presented the draft ordinances she had prepared for the increase to salaries for boards and commissions, as well as for Council pay, as discussed at the budget meeting. The Council reviewed both and directed her to move forward on them. Dockendorf updated the Council on the site visit to a potential space for a temporary location for the library. She stated that several members of Great River Regional Library also attended the tour. She stated there were a few issues that GRRL noted and that they won't have a response back to the City until their board meets in November. The Council indicated they did not want to delay on making a decision on the property since it seems to be a viable option at this point. Dockendorf stated she requested that the realtor let her know if anyone else shows interest in the space.

Dockendorf also stated that she will follow up with the realtor on the concerns of moisture and site lines and check back with GRRL before the next Council meeting so that progress can be made if possible.

LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY HENNEN, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$327,129.25 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$420,849.76 AS PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY FALL, SECONDED BY RAMLER, TO ADJOURN AT 5:37 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

Dave Heinen, Mayor

Kris Dockendorf, City Administrator