

**MINUTES OF THE
City Council Meeting for the City of Menan held June 11, 2026.**

Presiding: Mayor Nathan Bronson

Present: Nathan Bronson, Ben Smith, Danielle Andrew, Bryce Clark, Matt Walker, Kris Meek, Deputy Black, Brian Storms, Gary Armstrong, and Noel Raymond.

INCOME: June 11, 2026 to July 9, 2026:

Sewer Payroll	3466.17
Garbage Payroll	124.76
Motor Vehicle Fines	256.95
May 2026 Prop Taxes	1301.05
May Temp tax override	39.25
Town Hall Rental	600.00
Park Shelter Rental	40.00
3 RD QRTR State Liquor Dist. Income	5927.00

General Fund Money Market Interest	4.90
General Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	6.96
Sewer Fund Money Market Interest	2.40
Sewer Fund Collateralized Money Market Interest	1.46
Garbage Fund Money Market Interest	2.19
LGIP State Pool	2.53

TOTAL **\$11,775.62**

Income from Sewer Account Jul:	\$ 21,394.40
Income from Garbage Account Jul:	\$ 2,454.00

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm.

Meeting starts with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ben Smith offers the Prayer.

Welcome: Mayor Bronson welcomes everyone in attendance and he would like to recognize the prayers that have been offered by the community on behalf of the city and its leaders and offers thanks to the citizens for their cares and concerns.

Law Enforcement Report: Deputy Black presents the report to the Council. He states the report goes from 4/25/2026-5/22/2026. There were 130 hours reported, with 32 complaints, 0 arrests, 0 DUI's, 11 citations, and 50 traffic contacts. There is discussion of the report. There is discussion of the 4th of July preparation and what is being worked on. The Mayor and Council thank the Sheriff's Office for all they do.

P&Z Update: Noel addresses the Council. He states that the P&Z meeting was interesting. He states that the Commission held a Public Hearing regarding an application request to change the city code to allow Accessory Dwelling Units on any property in the city that is ½ acre or larger. He reports that there were no residents in attendance, only the applicants attended and spoke. There was discussion of the Hearing and how it went. Noel passes out the ordinance the P&Z discussed with the changes they had suggested be made. Gary explains the process he went through with the applicant to get to the proposal that was presented. There is discussion of this.

There is discussion of the split vote to send the approval recommendation to the Council. There is discussion of the reason for this and the concern of allowing double density in the current zones. There is discussion of the impact on the sewer system. Noel states that he feels the Commission needed more time to make a decision so they could gather more information. There is discussion of the current Comp Plan not allowing the ADU's. There is discussion of duplexes and not being allowed at present. Noel states that the residents have stated at past meetings that they are very against higher density. Noel suggests the Council table the issue until the update they have been working on is done and they can gather more information from the public if it is wanted or not. There is discussion of declining to make a decision now according to what Noel has asked. There is discussion of having another survey for the Comp Plan to ask what the residents really want. There is discussion of that taking another 3-4 months. There is discussion of the update just to be a report of the meeting, not to change outcome, need to stick to what happened and give the recommendation voted on. It is stated that the next agenda item is to discuss the proposed ordinance and it can be debated on then. Kris advises not to have much of a discussion until the Public Hearing the Council has to have on the issue. He states to table the issue until then. Danielle asks what the recommendation from the P&Z is. The recommendation is to advance the proposed ordinance with changes to the Council to pass, they approved it as modified in their discussions. It is discussed that it is unfair that those present from the P&Z are from one side of the issue and those on the other side of the issue are not represented. There is discussion of getting ready for the hearing in July. There is discussion of the amended ordinance having the red line through the items amended so the Council can tell what was changed. There is discussion of the state law and the changes made. There is discussion of the sewer ordinance regarding the sewer connection fees for additional buildings on properties. There is discussion of defining ADU's.

Discussion of Proposed Ordinance Change to Allow for ADU's-Action: There is discussion of scheduling the Public Hearing on the issue for next month's meeting in July. Mayor Bronson states that after talking to Kris, the Council can speak with residents and let them know what is going on and they can also speak with the P&Z members.

Public Works Director Update: Matt states that he made an offer for the gently used aerators for \$25,000 and it was accepted. There is discussion of where to pull the funds and how to transport them back. There is discussion of asking the DEQ how to install and what needs to be done. There is discussion of making a down payment with a bill of sale. It is discussed to pay \$5000.00 as down payment and get a bill of sale to make the sale final. Matt states that the alert system company sent over an agreement, Kris will look it over, then we will start the process. The payment will not be required until next fiscal year. He then states that they are just getting ready for the 4th. There is discussion of how great everything looks. There is discussion of the MOU with the County and how it is on the agenda for a decision. There is discussion of the stop sign by Teton House. There is discussion of what roads will be done this year. Discussion of some of the bridges along Menan Lorenzo going into properties having some issues and whether they could get some help as some damage is by/on the walk path. Matt states that he has to do some work next to the area and will help to fix it when there to fix the problem. There is discussion of the property along the walk path and finding a way to coordinate if there are fixes needed.

Treasurers Report-Action: There is discussion of the financials provided. There is discussion of getting some kind of tablets or iPads for the P&Z to send out their info for meetings and such. Also helps to have most updated version of the Code. Discussion of looking at sites for government entities and how items can be discounted. Discussion of wanting to do iPads and possibly getting a few at a time.

Public Discussion: Brian addresses the Council and encourages them to read the ADU ordinance proposal and check how the state Senate bill finished. He states that he final bill is I.C. 67-654. There is discussion of how on the bill allows for both dwellings on the property be a rental. Brian states he feels the decision in P&Z was very quick, without much thought. There is discussion of not everyone agreeing with the change. There is discussion of the proposed ordinance saying one dwelling must be owner occupied. Discussion of bills passed by the state, where they come from and the date they are in effect. Brian suggests that in the Senate bill, cities with fewer than 10,000 residents are not required to allow the ADU's, why not wait it out and see what the state comes with. There is discussion of costs and how most people can't afford to put in an ADU. Discussion of very few permits issued in the county. Mayor Bronson states that if any of the Council have questions about the issue or the proposed ordinance to call Gary or Kris.

Discussion of MOU with Jeff. Co. Regarding Roads-Action: There is discussion of the changes to the agreement as the City will now have to pay for labor and materials, whereas before the City only paid materials. Discussion of still cheaper than other companies and what may change in the future.

Danielle Andrew made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Jefferson County. Ben Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion of Fencing by Walker Produce-Action: As the resident representative wasn't able to attend, Allyson explains that there is concern about the walk path in Railroad park that is next to Walker Produce, as sometimes those employed can come from the work release program. This has made some residents uncomfortable and they have asked if a fence could be constructed between the park and the building. The concern is that the workers will take breaks and lunch right by the walk path. There is discussion of this concern. There is discussion of this not being feasible at the present time.

Discussion of 4th of July and Report-Action: There is discussion of the events being on schedule and looking good. There is discussion of parking signs and the fireworks permit. There is discussion of residents concerns that people attending the fireworks celebration are bringing their own fireworks and lighting them off in city property. This will be watched and the Mayor will make a comment about it to the paper.

Review of Assignments from Last Meeting-Action: There are no assignments from last meeting.

Public Discussion: There is discussion that the sewer smells better.

Mayor's Thoughts: Mayor Bronson states that the Farmers Market is going well. He also states that he hasn't pushed the city walk this year. There is discussion about the Youth Council still moving forward slowly. There is discussion of the Library having a groundbreaking ceremony in July.

Updates from Civilize Engineering-Action: Husk is not in attendance.

Bills-Action: There is discussion of the bills from last month.

Danielle Andrew made a motion to accept and pay the bills. Ben Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed

Minutes: There is discussion of the minutes from last meeting.

Bryce Clark made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 14, 2026 meeting. Danielle Andrew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ben Smith made a motion to adjourn. Danielle Andrew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Meeting ended at 9:06 pm.

Allyson Pettingill,
City Clerk/Treasurer