

City of Everest Council Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2026

Agenda

Call to Order: Mayor Alfred Kimmi called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Approval of April Minutes: Pat Streeter motioned to approve the minutes from the April meeting. The motion was seconded by Diana Lanter and the motion was carried.

Approval of Bills: Jessie Kimmi made a motion to approve the bills. Steven Welch seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Citizen & Visitor Comments/Concerns

Pam Scott provided an update on Funday and the fundraising efforts. They currently have \$5,472.00 (approximately half of their goal) and requested assistance from the city in any way possible, including posting fundraising activities on the Facebook page and website. She noted that only three people are currently handling all tasks and expressed concern about the future of Funday due to limited donations and volunteers.

Amanda Hutchison approached the council about opening the auditorium basement as a public storm/tornado shelter for residents without a shelter. The topic was tabled for further discussion pending review of liabilities, risks, who would be responsible for opening the building, whether the structure is a safe shelter and a occupancy number.

Clerk's Report

City Clerk **Amanda Olson** asked the council to vote on the updated ACH agreement from Union State Bank. The agreement had been sent to the council prior to the meeting for review. Steven Welch motioned to approve the updated ACH agreement, Jake Gaskell seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Amanda also reported the final summary of costs to clean up a city residence affected by a sewer backup caused by a clog on the city's side of the sewer line.

Amanda requested a city debit card for the clerk's office. Pat Streeter motioned to approve issuing a debit card to Amanda for the clerk's office. Diana Lanter seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Amanda presented a revised interlocal agreement provided by the City of Horton. She explained that the agreement contained the same requirements as the original version but was worded differently and included KCAMP recommendations and insurance liability limits that the city

already meets. Jessie Kimmi motioned to approve the revised interlocal agreement with the City of Horton. Pat Streeter seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Lastly, Amanda requested that the council release **Andrew Delaney** from his role as City Attorney and appoint **Leonard Buddenbohm** as the city's attorney on retainer. The request was based on the inability to move forward with nuisance cases and achieve timely abatement. No vote was taken, but the council voiced no opposition to replacing Mr. Delaney in order to successfully address current and future nuisance cases.

Council Members' Reports

- **Jessie Kimmi** reported progress on the fire station building. All expenses have been paid, and the remaining items only require installation, which will be donated or completed in-house.
- **Steven Welch** reported a camper parked in the street.
- **Jake Gaskell** voiced concern about a speeding motorcycle traveling through town.
- **Pat Streeter** noted that Dennis Link and several others have made no progress in abating their nuisance violations. He also mentioned several vehicles parked long-term without tags.

Justin Tawzer

Justin requested an extension of time to use his PTO for family medical reasons. Jessie Kimmi motioned to extend Justin's PTO usage deadline to the end of October, after which all previously agreed-upon employment policies regarding PTO would be in full effect. Jake Gaskell seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Justin also asked to purchase a new/used pump from Jake Gaskell \$200.00, for city use considering the need and discounted price. There was no opposition to said purchase. He also informed the council of the purchase of a couple of meters and meter supplies to replenish on hand needed supplies.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Alfred Kimmi reported that chip-and-seal work on the streets was not completed last year due to lack of funds and will need to be skipped again this year for the same reason.

Old Business

- **Backhoe sold on Purple Wave:** Jessie Kimmi reported that the backhoe sold for \$5,700.00.
- **Citywide Cleanup:** Scheduled for May 16th.
- **WTP Computer:** Licensing and transfer are in process; waiting on IT personnel.

Adjournment

Steven Welch motioned to adjourn the meeting. Diana Lanter seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Attendance

- Alfred Kimmi, Mayor
- Amanda Olson, City Clerk
- Jacob Gaskell, Council
- Pat Streeter, Council
- Steven Welch, Council
- Jessie Kimmi, Council
- Diana Lanter, Council
- Justin Tawzer, City Employee

Guests: Amanda Hutchinson Pam Scott