

LEAD CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
February 17, 2026

The Lead City Commission met on Monday, February 17, 2026, in City Hall, 801 West Main Street at 5:30 PM with the following members present: Mayor Dustin Heupel, and Commissioners Roger Thomas, Kayla Klein, Robert Carr and Al Rohrer. Absent: None. Mayor Heupel called the Regular Meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

1. M/Klein, S/Thomas—Carried to approve the February 17, 2026, Agenda

APPROVE MINUTE

1. Minutes of February 2, 2025, Meeting are approved as read.

ITEMS FROM VISITORS

1. Rose Burns inquired if ordinance 1125-26 will be brought back for discussion. Commissioner Thomas stated the ordinance was sent to the city attorney and will be brought back after review.
2. Robin Lucero gave an update on the Winterfest Schedule of events this weekend in the City of Lead, please visit <https://www.leadmethere.org/winterfest/> and check it out!! The City of Lead Police Department is also hosting their first City, Cops & Cocoa (and hotdogs too!) Stop by City Hall & Main Street Garage Saturday, February 21st Noon-1:30 PM.

LIBRARY

1. M/Carr, S/Rohrer- Carried to approve the hiring of Pam Goodwin for library custodian position (part-time, up to 36 hours) at \$18.16/hour effective immediately.

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. M/Klein, S/Thomas- Carried to hire Corey Jonas as a part-time police officer at \$28.00/hour effective immediately.
2. Police Needs Committee Recommendations Discussion:
Emma Garvin with Lead Deadwood Economic Development gave an update on the four meetings that were held by the committee. During these meeting Emma stated they reviewed information given by the city, engaged the Chief and asked many questions and had many discussions ending with the recommendations that were given to the commission for review. Emma thanked the commission for the opportunity. Mayor Heupel thanked Emma and the committee for everything they did.
Klein stated the recommendations look great but would like more information on some of the recommendations and the why's that come with them.
The Commissioners, Jeremiah Frederickson, Rick Allen, Debbie Fischer, and Rose Burns all spoke on the hard work the police department puts in and thanked the Chief and the department for all they do. No action was taken and recommendations from the committee may be considered in the future.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS/PLANNING OFFICE/HEALTH SAFETY

1. M/Carr, S/Klein- Carried to approve 616 W. Summit plat as read—PLAT OF LOTS 4A AND 4B, BLOCK 34, DENVER ADDITION FORMERLY PORTIONS OF LOTS 3, 4 & 5, BLOCK 34, (ALSO KNOW AS 616 WEST SUMMIT STREET) AND LOT 403 GRAND AVENUE ALL IN THE DENVER ADDITION, CITY OF LEAD, LAWRENCE COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA LOCATED IN SOUTH STAR M.S. 740, BOUNCING BOY, M.S. 743 AND BLOCK, M.S. 744
2. Robin Lucero gave an update on the 150th Anniversary. There was a soft launch of the new website which is now up and running. You can purchase VIP Tickets, general admission tickets and view full schedule of events at leadmethere.org
Flyers will be put up around the area with a QR code that will bring you right to the website or stop into city hall to get your tickets now!!

BILLS

M/Carr, S/Klein- Carried to approve the Bills in the amount of \$176,766.48 (payables) \$93,303.68 and (wages) \$83,462.80

Vendor	Amount
A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$ 389.56
BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE	\$ 33.78
BLACK HILLS PIONEER	\$ 870.11
BLACK HILLS PURE, INC	\$ 58.00
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$ 5,542.66
DEADWOOD DENTAL	\$ 287.00
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	\$ 1,125.00
GALLS, INC.	\$ 110.50
HEARST LIBRARY	\$ 389.86
JACOBS PRECISION WELDING, INC.	\$ 4,552.74
MEAD LUMBER	\$ 102.23
LEAD/DEADWOOD SANITARY DIST	\$ 34,574.12
MCGAS PROPANE	\$ 1,443.44
MIDCONTINENT TESTING LAB	\$ 84.00
RUSHMORE OFFICE	\$ 192.75
SERVALL TOWELL & LINEN, INC.	\$ 771.32
SOUTHSIDE OIL CO., INC.	\$ 4,909.41
DR. REID STONE, DDS	\$ 584.00
SUNSHINE TOWING	\$ 110.23
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 638.04
VERMEER HIGH PLAINS	\$ 4,385.15
WEST RIVER SOLID WASTE SOLUTIONS LLC	\$ 30,814.44
WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	\$ 90.00
AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 283.78
MID-CONTINENT	\$ 961.56
Total Amount	\$ 93,303.68
Payroll	
Mayor/Commission	\$ 1,508.97
Finance	\$ 5,639.38
Govt Buildings	\$ 598.17
Police	\$ 18,621.95
Snow	\$ 28,354.48
Health/Inspections	\$ 7,057.58
Parks	\$ 5,387.55
Library	\$ 7,699.73
Water	\$ 8,594.99
Total Amount	\$ 83,462.80

LEGAL AND FINANCE

1. Handley Center Funding Discussion:
Mayor Heupel stated the commission has decided to move forward with taking over the Handley Center as Klein proposed. The resolution has been drafted and will be presented at the next meeting.
2. M/Carr, S/Thomas carried to approve the January 2026—Financial Report in the amount of \$1,514,945.39

ITEMS FROM MAYOR & COMMISSIONERS

1. Mayor Heupel read the proclamation and declared July 4, 2026, America250 Day in the City of Lead.
2. City of Lead Commissioner Election
Two Openings—Commissioners Carr and Rohrer
Petitions Available February 2, 2026
Petitions Submitted by March 24, 2026, 5:00 PM
Election Date: June 2, 2026

MEETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Regular Meeting- Tuesday, March 2, 2026 @ 5:30 PM- Lead City Hall
2. Planning & Zoning- Tuesday, February 24, 2026 @ 5:00 PM- Lead City Hall
3. Historic Preservation- Wednesday, February 18, 2026 @ 4:00 PM- Lead City Hall

EXECUTIVE SESSION

M/Rohrer, S/Thomas- Carried to enter executive session at 6:17 PM according to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel.

M/Klein, S/Thomas- Carried to exit executive session at 7:30 PM with no action taken.
ADJOURN

M/Klein, S/Carr—Carried to adjourn Regular Meeting at 7:31 PM.

CITY OF LEAD

ATTEST

Dustin Heupel, Mayor
(SEAL)

Robin Lucero, City Administrator