

LEAD CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
October 5, 2026

The Lead City Commission met on Monday, October 5, 2026, in City Hall, 801 West Main Street at 5:30 PM with the following members present: Mayor Dustin Heupel and Commissioners Dory Hanson, Roger Thomas, and Valerie Meiners. Absent: Dustin Schumacher. Mayor Heupel called the Regular Meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

- 1. M/Meiners, S/Hanson- Carried to approve the October 5, 2026, agenda as read.

APPROVE MINUTES

- 1. Commission consensus to approve the September 21, 2026, minutes as read.

ITEMS FROM VISITORS

- 1. Emma Garvin with Economic Development gave a presentation on the Lead Destination Development Grant.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 1. Jerry Mertesdorf gave an update on the Main Street Lights. Jerry met with Lighting Maintenance, and they are working to get the lights repaired.
- 2. M/Hanson, S/Meiners- Carried to approve purchase of plate packer approved up to \$3,000.
- 3. Jason Bauernfeind provided an update on the water service line inventory. Jason stated that the State is allowing the City to use records from the 2017 water meter project to document that there is no lead inside homes.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- 1. M/Meiner, S/Thomas- Carried to accept resignation of Dawn Allen effective 9/25/2026.
- 2. M/Meiners, S/Thomas- Carried to hire Paul Witcraft and Seth Brennan for part-time patrol officers effective immediately at \$28/hour.
Those voting Aye: Commissioners Hanson, Thomas, and Meiners. Those voting Nay: Mayor Heupel.
- 3. Mayor Heupel asked if there had been any comments regarding the discussion about compact car parking on Main Street. Robin stated that she received one comment from Lewie Sternhagen regarding the storage units. He expressed concern that vehicles pulling up Blatt Street may have limited visibility. Williams stated that he has been in contact with Todd Seaman with the State DOT. Seaman will coordinate with a team that will contact Williams to assess each intersection together. Mayor Heupel encouraged the public to relay and comments or concerns they have regarding this matter.
- 4. M/Meiners, S/Thomas- Carried to stipulate to the reading of Ordinance #1128-26: Prohibiting the Use of Automated License Plate Readers and Mass Surveillance Technology (Second Reading). M/Meiners, S/Thomas- Carried to approve Ordinance #1128-26 Prohibiting the Use of Automated License Plate Readers and Mass Surveillance Technology (Second Reading)
- 5. M/Meiners, S/Hanson- Carried to approve 2017 Durango 4x4 Repair up to \$4,000 out of vehicle repair.

BILLS

- 1. M/Thomas, S/Meiners- Carried to approve the Bills in the amount of \$187,812.66 \$94,318.56 (payables) and (wages) \$282,131.22.

Vendor	Amount
ACE HARDWARE	\$ 989.20
ADAMS SALVAGE RECYCLING & RECOVERY	\$ 28.79
ALL NET CONNECTIONS	\$ 2,515.00
AMANN DENTAL	\$ 90.00
ANDERSON SERVICES LLC	\$ 265.00
BLACK HILLS BRATS	\$ 30.00
BLACK HILLS PIONEER	\$ 191.16
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$ 2,306.54
CITY OF DEADWOOD	\$ 260.50
CORE & MAIN	\$ 11,250.44
DAKOTA RENTALS	\$ 280.00
DAKOTA TESTING & ENGINEERING	\$ 600.00

DEADWOOD-LEAD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP.	\$ 12,000.00
GALLS, INC.	\$ 793.80
HISTORIC HOMESTAKE OPERA HOUSE	\$ 2,083.33
JOHNER PAVING	\$ 1,069.50
KAY PARK-REC CORP	\$ 17,253.10
LEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 9,166.67
LYNN'S	\$ 45.35
M.S. MAIL	\$ 387.50
GARY MCNALL	\$ 1,212.58
MIDCONTINENT TESTING LAB	\$ 131.25
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	\$ 172.39
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC	\$ 1,120.25
PETE LIEN & SONS, INC.	\$ 958.75
ROCKINGTREE FLORAL	\$ 167.70
SERVALL TOWELL & LINEN, INC.	\$ 1,137.51
SIMON NORTH REGION SD	\$ 2,107.45
SOUTHSIDE OIL CO., INC.	\$ 6,585.53
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS, INC.	\$ 403.65
VIGILANT BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$ 100.00
WATERS HARDWARE	\$ 164.69
WEST RIVER SOLID WASTE SOLUTIONS LLC	\$ 30,814.44
WESTERN PEAKS LOGISTICS	\$ 39.64
AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 290.78
AVERA HEALTH PLANS	\$ 35,948.91
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$ 5,188.57
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	\$ 35,434.46
FIRST NATIONAL CREDIT CARD	\$ 3,006.25
MID-CONTINENT	\$ 1,221.98
Total Amount	\$ 187,812.66
Payroll	
Mayor/Commission	\$ 1,498.21
Finance	\$ 9,601.67
Govt Buildings	\$ 644.85
Police	\$ 27,434.59
Snow	\$ 32,532.73
Cemetery	\$ 1,432.97
Health/Inspections	\$ 2,841.25
Parks	\$ 1,403.51
Library	\$ 8,031.08
Water	\$ 2,470.55
Sewer	\$ 6,427.15
Total Amount	\$ 94,318.56

MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Next Regular Meeting- Monday, October 19, 2026 @ 5:30 PM- Lead City Hall
- 2. Planning & Zoning- Tuesday, October 13, 2026 @ 5:00 PM- Lead City Hall
- 3. Historic Preservation- Wednesday, October 21, 2026 @ 4:00 PM- Lead City Hall
- 4. Budget Meetings: October 13, 19 & 26, November 2nd & 16th

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. M/Meiners, S/Thomas- carried to enter executive session Per SDCL 1-25-2 (1, 3) at 6:05 PM and came out of executive session at 6:25 PM with no action taken.

ADJOURN

- 1. M/Hanson, S/Thomas—Carried to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:27 PM.

CITY OF LEAD

ATTEST

Dustin Heupel, Mayor
(SEAL)

Robin Lucero, City Administrator