Echo City Council Tuesday October 14th, 2025

The regular city council meeting of the City of Echo Minnesota was called to order by Mayor Dan Remmele at 7:00 pm at the Community Center.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Mayor Dan Remmele, Councilman Mark Schettler, Councilman Wyatt Bendix, Councilman Gjerset, Clerk Brian Pitzl, Public Work Supervisor Bryan Nielsen. Absent was Councilman Dan Larsen

Citizens/Guests: Paul Jurek: Bollig Engineering

Open Forum: The council presented Paul Jurek, of Bollig Engineering, with photos of some of the storm sewer issues that were discovered during televising of the lines. Discussion was had about what would be needed to fix these troubled spots. Mr. Jurek also gave updates about the ongoing work to expand the TIF district and to give updates on possible funding options. The city will need to update the project map and do a scope of a project that they would like to see done for any funding to be approved. Motion made by Councilman Schettler, seconded by Councilman Bendix to approve a resolution to have the City Clerk and Mayor as signers of documents relating to the grant application from the Department of Employment and Economic Development to get funding for any project. There are still 4 households in the city that have unknown service lines relating to the Lead Service Line Materials Inventory. Bollig will be finalizing the inventory for this round and then submitting the inventory by its due date of October 20th.

Approval of Minutes & Resolutions:

Motion to approve, September 9th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes, was made by Councilman Schettler, seconded by Councilman Gjerset. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent.

Motion to approve Resolution 2025-020 Authorizing Application for Grant Navigation Support for the city was made by Councilman Gjerset, seconded by Councilman Bendix. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent.

Reports:

Matt Dunphy: The council decided that the fire department will need to get prior approval from the council when bringing a fire truck to neighboring towns for events.

Chastity Kuehn-

Maintenance Supervisor Nielsen - Received a quote for the installation of a generator for the community center from Falls Electric for \$53,722.78. Motion to approve the quote was made by Councilman Gjerset, seconded by Councilman Bendix. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent. Also received a quote for cement for the city shop at a cost of \$13,640 from Straight Up Builders. Motion made by Councilman Bendix, seconded by Councilman Schettler to approve the quote and move forward with the project. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent. Bryan inquired about going to training provided by the MPCA for wastewater November 17th-20th. Motion made Councilman Gierset, seconded by Councilman Bendix to approve of the training. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent. Council was ok with Bryan bringing some small equipment out to his Quonset for storage while the cement project is under way. Bryan will be on vacation December 20th-24th and will have someone to cover for any snow removal. The shop's computer is old and is no longer able to receive updates after November. The cost of a new one with around \$900. Bryan will be purchasing one in the near future and will approve what needs to be transferred to the new computer from the old. Was asked to replace the light on the flag poles in the fire hall and adjust the light at legion park. Was also asked about the removal of the ashes and compost pile at the dump site. Bryan will talk with Jeseritz about hauling and dumping the materials. Some street signs in town need replacement. It would be about \$1900 to replace them all. Bryan was instructed to see just which ones needed to be replaced.

Mayr Remmele- Has issues with school bus going down the road by his house, that are not supposed to be using that road.

Councilman Schettler -

Councilman Gjerset -

Councilman Bendix -

Councilman Larsen -

Clerk Pitzl – The November city council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 11^{th} , which happens to be Veterans Day. The council decided to move the meeting date to Monday, November 10^{th} at 7:00 pm.

Old Business:

New Business:

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Councilman Schettler, seconded by Councilman Bendix to approve the consent agenda consisting of Bills, Payroll, and Bank Information. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Councilman Bendix, and second by Councilman Schettler to adjourn regular meeting at 8:23 pm. Motion carried with Councilman Larsen absent.	
Mayor Dan Remmele	City Clerk- Brian Pitzl