**Kramer City Council Meeting - Date:** **Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 5 PM**

**Call to Order. Recognized Eunice Timbrook, Judy Peters, and Mark Timbrook
City Members Present: Ryan Tikkanen, Brenda Tikkanen, David Boals, Rook**

 **Agenda Approval.** Approved as prepared. Motion by Timbrook, Peters seconded, motion passed. **Minutes Approval.** Read before the council meeting. Motion to approve minutes as read. Peters seconded. Motion passed.  **Financial Report/ Reconciliation.** Eunice Timbrook provided the financial report. Motion to approve by Timbrook, seconded by Peters, motion passed. Peters reported the city accounts were reconciled and with no findings. Peters reported the city mail was reconciled and with no findings.

**Unfinished Business:**

* Sales Tax Exemption restored and active. Closed
* SLFRF Program Grant resolved. Proof of payments provided. Fed Closed
* Lift Station – Dakota Sewage paid certified check sent/rec’d, parts on order, electrician hired based on bid, Otter Tail Power informed. Open
* Additional nonresidents seeking dumpster use. Timbrook motioned to NOT allow additional people seeking use of the city dumpster. Peters seconded, motion passed. Closed.
* Water Shed issue - permission received from landowner. The area will be evaluated for mowing and grading may be required. Open
* City Drainage and Flooding Project still in works with Wold. Open
* Budget Discussion
	+ Attempting to keep the Mill levy stable, may only move budget a small amount due to state and county reductions in funding
	+ Landfill fees are a possibility. Fees will be fair.
	+ Landfill and lagoon areas neglected, the area needs mowed, fences and gates need repair. Council advised that the lagoons have a lifespan
	+ Lift station work delayed too long
	+ 60/40 practice with garbage, abandoned years ago, free garbage years did damage to sewer funds
	+ Sewer fees are a possibility.
	+ The council was reminded that new things break too. The sewer fund must be sustainable.

**New Business:**

* Donations - $150.00 for skating, $45.00 first aid kit, $300.00 food and drinks and $2,000.00 for electric panel at lift station
* City Attorney Selected – Rachael Mickelson-Hendrickson of Rolla
* Interim auditor advanced to Phase III NDLOC Auditor Training Program
* City of Kramer Resolution 25-05: Management of Yard Debris and Waste in City Drainage Ditches, Culverts, and Underground Drainage Pipes was read and will be posted on the city website and post office.
* City of Kramer Resolution 25-10 Public Commentary at Kramer City Council Meetings. Read but will be reviewed by the council one more time before posting.
* The following city code will advance to attorney for review as budget permits
	+ City of Kramer Municipal Code - Chapters 1 to 15
	+ City of Kramer Resolutions 25-01 to 25-19

**Community Discussion session:** Discussion lasted three (3) hours and topics varied widely to include city code and resolutions, skating, the new attorney, issues about the previous auditor, council members past and present, election, appointment and dismissal of council members. The council reiterated its position to move forward that they neither had the legal authority nor desire to serve as judge and jury over past events. Those issues are to be resolved by the county and state authorities.

**Meeting adjourned at 8pm.**