## **Consider pros and cons of** alternative grain storage methods

Intense storms can significantly affect grain storage abilities. Storage capacity could take years to recover from damaged facilities. When considering alternative grain methods, it's crucial to keep some key storage factors in mind.

Grain can be stored in many types of facilities, but all storage options should keep the grain dry and provide adequate aeration to control grain temperature, according to Ken Hellevang, professor emeritus and retired NDSU Extension agricultural engineer.

"Grain must be dry and cool (near the average outdoor temperature) when placed in alternative storage facilities because providing adequate, uniform airflow to dry grain or cool grain coming from a dryer is not feasible," says Hellevang.

## Grain market

June 30, 2025 Prices at CenDak Co-op

| (Current crop) | о-ор  |  |  |  |
|----------------|-------|--|--|--|
|                |       |  |  |  |
| Esmond         | 0     |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.53  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.26  |  |  |  |
| Corn           | 3.46  |  |  |  |
| Hamberg        |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.63  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.36  |  |  |  |
| Corn           | 3.56  |  |  |  |
| Harlow         |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.53  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.26  |  |  |  |
| Leeds          |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.53  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.36  |  |  |  |
| Feed Barley    | 2.90  |  |  |  |
| Canola         | 19.65 |  |  |  |
| Maddock        |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.53  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.26  |  |  |  |
| Niles          |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.63  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.36  |  |  |  |
| Corn           | 3.56  |  |  |  |
| Oberon         |       |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.53  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.26  |  |  |  |
| Sheyenne       | 0.20  |  |  |  |
| Spring Wheat   | 5.58  |  |  |  |
| Soybeans       | 9.36  |  |  |  |
| Corn           | 3.51  |  |  |  |
| 00111          | 0.01  |  |  |  |
|                |       |  |  |  |

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD

March 12, 2025

School Board was held March 12, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson, Kirkeide, Engstrom, Tufte and

Herman; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Ryan Sand of LEA. Absent: Principal

order at 7:05 a.m. with the option of

Congratulations to the Lady Wildcats

for their state championship! Thank

you to the community for their support

travel and cheering in Jamestown.

Legislative review: per-pupil funding

the consent agenda. Seconded by

GENERAL FUND

Herman and carried.

Advanced Business Methods .....

Bubach, Christine ...

Airgas USA, LLC .....

Amazon.com ......BC Farmers Press ......

Écólab Pest Elimination

Division ...... Farmers Union Oil Co. ...

Follman, Shelby .....

Geller, Bridget .....

Haagenson, Beth .....

Service, Inc. .....

Kahoot ...... Krantz's Floral .....

Larson, Breanne .....

Manley, Jeffrey ...... NASSP .....

ND State Tax .....

ND Telephone Co. .......

NFHS Learning Center .

North Country Heating & AC .....

NE Education Services

Co-op ...... Otter Tail Power Co. .....

Paulson Supply, Inc. .....

Paulson, Dustin ..... Postmaster ....

Bismarck ..... Region IV Music .....

Rugby Public Schools ...

Sand, Ryan ..... School Specialty .....

Stein's, Inc. ...... Swanson, Matthew ...... Taube Museum of Art ....

Teachers Pay Teachers

Systems, Inc. .....UCB Insurance Agency,

US Foodservice, Inc. ....

Walmart Store #1695 ....

Fund Total

Amazon.com ......Bubach, Christine ......

CenDak Cooperative .... CTSO Fiscal Office ......

Gerrells Sports Center ..

Harvey Public School .... Northern Bottling DL .....

R and R Entertainment .

by Kirkeide and carried.

Capital One .....

FOOD SERVICE FUND US Foodservice, Inc. ....\$12,490.99 Fund Total .....\$12,490.99

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND

Financial audit was reviewed.

Technology Learning

Cooperative.

Vestis .

Time Management

ND Council of Edu.

Leaders ...

Nelsen. Kim ...

Radisson Hotel

Johnson's Plumbing

IntegratEd

Kahoot .

Kirkeide motioned to accept

. \$1,078.06

249.00

148.47 650.37

30.00 233.71

30.00 1,457.00

1,268.35 47.88

30.00 100.00

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32.45

205.00 195.00

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756.10

240.00 152.00

2,500.00

...\$32,103.72

900.00

850.20

\$6,127.94

41.70

stating the Pledge.
Superintendent Report

Jacobson called the meeting to

A regular meeting of the Leeds

## **Approximate Allowable Storage Time for Cereal Grains**

| Moisture  | Grain Temperature (F) |           |           |         |          |      |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|------|
| Content _ | 30                    | 40        | 50        | 60      | 70       | 80   |
| (%)       | Appr                  | oximate A | Allowable | Storage | Time (Da | ays) |
| 14        | 300+                  | 300+      | 300+      | 300+    | 200      | 140  |
| 15        | 300+                  | 300+      | 300+      | 240     | 125      | 70   |
| 16        | 300+                  | 300+      | 230       | 120     | 70       | 40   |
| 17        | 300+                  | 280       | 130       | 75      | 45       | 20   |
| 18        | 300+                  | 200       | 90        | 50      | 30       | 15   |
| 19        | 300+                  | 140       | 70        | 35      | 20       | 10   |
| 20        | 300+                  | 90        | 50        | 25      | 14       | 7    |

- Allowable storage time is the storage period before quality loss is expected to affect grain quality.
- Airflow through the grain permits maintaining the grain temperature but does not extend the allowable storage time beyond that listed in the table.

Structural issues

Grain pushing against walls can damage buildings not built for grain storage. The wall must be anchored securely, and its structural members must be strong enough to transfer the force to the building poles or support structure without breaking or excessive bending.

Before placing grain in a building previously used for grain storage, look for anything out of alignment, such as wall bowing and distortions in the roofline. Bowing or bending indicates that the load on the building exceeded the load for which it was designed and built. This weakens the structure. Also examine connections for separation or movement and add a gusset or splice to reinforce the connection if necessary.

Bag storage

Storing grain in poly bags is a good option, but it does not prevent mold growth in damp grain or insect infestations. Place grain in the bag at recommended storage moisture contents based on grain and outdoor temperatures during

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

Tufte motioned to move to executive

session to discuss negotiation

strategy at 7:45 a.m. Seconded by

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

was made by Tufte at 8:10 a.m.

Seconded by Kirkeide and carried.

Motion to end executive session

The next meeting is scheduled for

The meeting adjourned at 8:30

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD

Becky Haagenson

Business Manager

Herman and carried.

April 9 2025 at 7 a m

Jeff Jacobson

Pursuant to NDCC 44-04-19.1(9),

the potential storage period.  $\,$ 

Heating will occur if the grain exceeds a safe storage moisture content, and it cannot be aerated to control heating. The average temperature of dry grain will follow the average outdoor temperature.

Grain piles

Grain is frequently stored short-term in outdoor piles. However, precipitation is a severe problem for uncovered grain because grain is very porous. A one-inch rain will increase the moisture content of a one-foot layer of corn by 9%. This typically leads to losing at least a couple of feet of grain on the pile surface, which is a significant loss.

Use a cover to prevent water infiltration. Drainage is critically important to the success of any grain storage. About 25,000gallons of water will run off an area about 100 by 400 feet during a one-inch rain. This water must flow away from the grain and the area next to it. When determining a location for a pile, examine the entire area to ensure that flooding will not

occur during major rain events. **Grain covers** 

A combination of restraining straps and suction from the aeration system holds grain covers in place. Provide adequate airflow through the grain to control grain temperature. Place perforated ducts on the grain under the cover to provide a controlled air intake for the aeration system and airflow near the cover to minimize condensation problems under

Cooling stored grain

Cool grain with aeration to extend the allowable storage time and reduce the potential for insect infestation. Temperatures below about 60 degrees Fahrenheit reduce insect reproduction. Insects are dormant below about 50 degrees, and extended exposure to temperatures below about 30 degrees can kill insects.

Cooling grain as outdoor temperatures drop will reduce moisture migration and the condensation potential near the top of the grain pile. Also, the grain should be cooled because grain moisture content and temperature affect the rate of mold growth and grain deterioration. The allowable storage time approximately doubles with each 10-degree reduction in grain temperature.

Long-term grain storage

Grain has an acceptable storage life before the quality is reduced enough to impact its value. Allowable storage time is cumulative, so consider the amount of storage life remaining when deciding if you can store the grain longer.

"Keep in mind that airflow through the grain permits grain temperature to be maintained, but it does not extend the allowable storage time," says Hellevang.

More information on alternative storage methods can be found at ndsu.ag/altgrainstorage.For more information about dealing with damage from summer storms, visit ndsu.ag/summerstorms25.

Methods ..... \$1,078.06

April 9, 2025
A regular meeting of the Leeds School Board was held April 9, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson. Engstrom, Tufte, Kirkeide, Herman; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Principal Eberle; Lauren Follman (LEA); Holdyn Jacobson (student) and Aiden Thomas (student)

Jacobson called meeting to order at 7\_a.m. with the option of stating

Principal/AD Report -- Benson County sports co-op banquet May 5; spring sport review: elementary VB finishing; congrats to Holdyn Jacobson, valedictorian, and Kaden Nelsen, salutatorian for 2025 attending DL Rotary honors lunch; FCCLA state and music regional competitions: honor roll update: demo of new reading program; cybersecurity plans; Title I evaluation; classes for 2025-26; updating work co-op guidelines and TA requirements.

Superintendent -- Fire marshal inspection; Title IX training; legislation updates; review of Title VI requirements and usage.

Kirkeide motioned to approve

the consent agenda; seconded by Herman and carried.

| GENERAL FUN                        | ID                 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| ACT                                | \$544.00           |
| Adobe Systems                      | 168.35             |
| Advanced Business                  | 100.00             |
| Methods                            | 1,078.06           |
| Airgas USA, LLC                    | 286.56             |
| AJ's Ts & Engraving                | 30.00              |
| Allmaras, Devin                    | 113.54             |
|                                    | 95.00              |
| Altru Health System<br>Amazon.com  | 887.02             |
| BC Farmers Press                   | 253.50             |
|                                    | 58.41              |
| Braun, Susan<br>CenDak Cooperative | 2,777.68           |
| City of Loads                      | 1,123.58           |
| City of Leeds                      |                    |
| Darling, Jana                      | 59.00<br>75.00     |
| Exxon Express                      |                    |
| Farmers Union Oil Co               | 305.71             |
| Gas Stations                       | 59.72              |
| General Fund                       | 15,000.00          |
| Haagenson, Beth                    | 91.62              |
| Home Depot                         | 344.34             |
| Instrumentalist Awards             | 226.00             |
| LLC, The                           | 236.00             |
| IntegratEd                         | 1,555.00           |
| Jacobson, Lucia                    | 150.00             |
| Kitzmann, Leaha                    | 200.00             |
| Knudson, Matt                      | 237.19             |
| LR Special Education               | 14,724.51<br>21.25 |
| Lakeside Lock & Key                |                    |
| Lakeside Meats                     | 105.29             |
| Leevers County Market .            | 25.53              |
| MenardsMinot                       | 416.45             |
| Minot Public Schools               | 74.59              |
| NCB Electric, LLC                  | 1,085.04<br>324.95 |
| ND Telephone Co                    | 324.95             |
| Nelsen Lawn Care                   | 250.00             |
| Services                           | 250.00             |
| NFHS Learning Center .             | 11.99              |
| North Country Heating              | 4 005 07           |
| & AC                               | 1,935.67           |
| Otter Tail Power Co                | 5,266.99           |
| Popp Binding &                     | 440.00             |
| Laminating, Inc.                   | 148.03             |
| Poppler's Music, Inc               | 2,526.81           |
| Postmaster                         | 38.25<br>96.16     |
| School Specialty                   | 90.10<br>569.84    |
|                                    |                    |

Teachers Pay Teachers

Time Management

| Systems, Inc                  | 41.70     |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Twotrees Technologies         | 1,199.04  |
| Vestis                        | 109.90    |
| Walmart Store #1695           | 630.67    |
| Fund Total\$ FOOD SERVICE FU  | 55,337.19 |
| FOOD SERVICE FU               | JND       |
| US Foodservice, Inc\$         | 25,474.17 |
| Fund Total\$ STUDENT ACTIVITY | 25,474.17 |
| STUDENT ACTIVITY              | FUND      |
| Amazon.com                    | \$425.23  |
| Back 40 Bar and Grill         | 34.57     |
| Barendt, Malayna              | 42.74     |
| Bubach, Christine             | 82.96     |
| Capital One                   | 229.61    |
| Cendak Cooperative            | 387.55    |
| Dockside Entertain            | 875.00    |
| Herman, Nicole                | 650.00    |
| Jostens, Inc                  | 193.25    |
| Kitzmann, Leaha               | 150.00    |
| Northern Bottling DL          | 71.80     |
| Walmart Store #1695           | 38.57     |
| Worsham, Julie                | 38.60     |
| Fund Total                    | 3,219.88  |
| Tufte motioned to ap          | prove the |

hiring of Madelyn Severson and Jarrel McGarvey for 2025-26 openings, seconded by Kirkeide and carried.

Per NDCC 15. 1-09-08, Tufte motioned to approve the election ballot for June 10, 2025, seconded

by Herman and carried. Cell phone bill was discussed for 2025-26 school year.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

Per NDCC 44-04-19.1(9), Herman motioned to go into executive session for negotiation strategy at 7:47 a.m.,

econded by Kirkeide and carried.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING Tufte motioned to adjourn the executive session at 8:19 a.m.,

seconded by Engstrom and carried. The next scheduled meeting is May 21, 2025 at 7 a.m.
The meeting adjourned at 8:20

Becky Haagenson Business Manager

Jeff Jacobson President MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

LEEDS SCHOOL BOARD

May 21, 2025 A regular meeting of the Leeds School Board was held May 21, 2025. In attendance: Jacobson, Engstrom, Tufte, Kirkeide and Herman; Superintendent Manley; Business Manager Haagenson; Principal Eberle; Renae Strand (LEA); visitor Sheri Stuberg.

Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7 a.m. with the option of

stating the Pledge Principal/AD Report -- Review of spring sports and activities; one applicant for JV VB and one applicant for JV BBB; last day of school is the 23rd, graduation on the 26th; Title 1 report, school improvement requests and Choice Ready update; FastBridge Testing review; MTSS review; ND State Assessment; piloting a new

reading program.

Superintendent Report -- EOY field trip to Dockside; Cognia and state reporting; 2025-26 budget; updating gym banners and signage. Tufte motioned to approve the

consent sgenda. Seconded by Kirkeide and carried. **GENERAL FUND** 

| Airgas USA, LLC                               | 307.62<br>95.00<br>281.41<br>286.61<br>2,205.84<br>201.54<br>255.92 |
|---|---|
| Ecolab Pest Elimination Division              | 148.47  |
| Engstrom, Kimberly<br>Exxon Express<br>FCCLA  | 60.08<br>53.53<br>283.00  |
| Fessenden-Bowdon<br>School District #25       | 30.00   |
| Follman, Stacy                                | 400.00  |
| Food  | 77.88   |
| Gerrells<br>Hobart Sales & Service            | 8.00<br>1,250.37  |
| IntegratEd                                    | 1,457.00  |
| Johnson's Plumbing<br>Service, Inc            | 2,054.35  |
| MenardsMinot                                  | 1,115.83  |
| ND HS Activities Assn<br>ND Telephone Co      | 62.00<br>319.66   |
| NFHS Learning Center .                        | 48.99   |
| Otter Tail Power Co                           | 3,654.87  |
| Rugby High School Runnings                    | 30.00<br>32.03  |
| Sand, Ryan                                    | 200.00  |
| Sanford Health Occup.                         |   |
| MedicineBismarck                              | 218.00<br>6,550.00  |
| Software Unlimited, Inc. South East Education | 0,550.00  |
| Cooperative                                   | 175.00  |
| St. John School                               | 30.00   |
| Stein's, Inc.                                 | 1,097.84  |
| Teachers Pay Teachers Time Management         | 42.75   |
| Time Management<br>Systems, Inc               | 41.70   |
| Vestis 109.90                                 |   |
| Walmart Store #1695                           | 174.57  |
| Fund Total\$                                  | 24,431.0Z   |

FOOD SERVICE FUND US Foodservice, Inc. .... \$8,263.02 Fund Total \$8,263.02 STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND 4u Custom Apparel \$183.71 Amazon.com ..... CenDak Cooperative .... Epic Sports ......Family Dollar ..... 126.75 Facility Boliai

Jacobson, Jeff .....

Leevers Super Valu .....

National FFA Org. 1,965.00 1,521.92 ND FFA Assn. .....Nelsen, Jessica ..... 3,000.00 Poppler's Music, Inc. ..... 3,983.00 Ramada--Bismarck ..... 880.00 Walmart Store #1695 ....

one reading. Seconded by Herman and carried.

Tufte motioned to approve the first reading of Policies DGAA, DGGA, DKA, HBAA, HEAC, KACA and KACB. Seconded by Kirkeide and Tufte motioned to approve the

boys golf co-op with Maddock starting 2025-26 school year. Seconded by Herman and carried.

The next scheduled meeting is June 23, 2025 at 7 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8 a.m. **Becky Haagenson Business Manager** 

Jeff Jacobson

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## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MADDOCK CITY COUNCIL June 17, 2025

A regular meeting of the Maddock City Council was held June 17, 2025. Mayor Sarah Dove called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. at city hall. Present for roll call were council members Bradley Hermanson, Jamie Wentz, Dusty Pierson and Teresa Dosch. Also in attendance were Jamie Green, Keith Winson, Rachel Markestad, Cathy Faleide, Paul Backstrom, Tom Anderson and Kari Bergman.

A motion was made by Dosch, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2025 regular meeting with a correction noted to the name of a council member referenced in a motion. All voting yes, the motion carried. A motion was made by Wentz,

seconded by Hermanson, to add the topic of fluoride in drinking water to the agenda. All voting yes, the motion

A motion was made by Wentz, seconded by Hermanson, to approve the following bills. All voting yes, the motion carried. \$6,729.69

| vvayes                 | φ0,129.09 |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Farmers Union          |           |
| Insurance              | 12,293.00 |
| AE2S                   | 208.96    |
| BC Farmers Press       | 168.00    |
| BC Sheriff's Dept      | 600.00    |
| Black Mountain         |           |
| Software               | 525.00    |
| CenDak                 | 535.94    |
| Double M Sanitation    | 6,000.00  |
| Farmers Union          | 0,000.00  |
| Insurance              | 6.00      |
| GF Utility Billing     | 26.00     |
|                        | 198.28    |
| Johnson Ag Resources . |           |
| Maddock Opera House .  | 200.00    |
| Mid-Land Excavating,   | 4 000 47  |
| Inc                    | 1,298.17  |
| MRES                   | 200.00    |
| ND Sewage Pump         |           |
| & Lift Station         | 666.58    |
| ND Dept. of Environ    | 20.39     |
| Northern Plains Elec   | 4,794.47  |
| Northstar Erosion      |           |
| Control, Inc           | 850.00    |
| One Call Concepts      | 50.00     |
| Priscilla Backstrom    | 986.00    |
| Quill                  | 435.42    |
| US Post Office         | 100.00    |
| Valli                  | 25.00     |
| Van Diest Supply Co.,  | _0.50     |
| Inc.                   | 4,236.00  |
| Vesti's                | 106.60    |

Northern Plains Elec. .... 18,836.10 ND Telephone Co. ....... The council discussed monthly summer projects with Keith Winson and Jamie Green. They were directed to provide completed project updates to the council members on a monthly

Western Area Power

Admin.

US Post Office

ND Rural Water

Systems Assn.

1,003.53

1,752.00

Jamie Green's Report -- Speed bumps were installed. He informed the council that it costs the city approximately \$250 per application when spraying for mosquitoes. Keith Winson's Report -- He

reported the baseball diamond needs more lighting. He informed the council that the circulating pump at the water tower needs to be replaced.

Pam Lee's Report -- Updated

the council on the Energy Efficiency Grant.
Keith Winson received a

Certificate of Achievement from the ND Department of Environmental Quality in recognition of compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act.

A household previously notified multiple times to install a water node for remote meter reading was handdelivered a final notice on June 13, 2025, stating the installation deadline was June 17, 2025 to avoid service disconnection. No appointment was made. The council voted to disconnect water service with a roll call vote: Hermanson -- aye, Wentz --- aye, Pierson -- aye, Dosch -- nay. The motion passed with three ayes

and one nay.

Co-chairmen Rachel Markestad and Cathy Faleide, representatives of the 125th Maddock celebration committee, were present to request the city's assistance in helping to organize and support funding, services, policing and camping accommodations for the upcoming celebration.
Cathy Faleide, representing the

tree committee, reported that the two grant applications submitted by the committee have been approved.

Representatives from the school board and park board, including Paul Backstrom, Tom Anderson and Kari Bergman, attended the meeting to discuss the proposed sale of the baseball diamond property. The school board is offering to sell the property to the city for one dollar (\$1), contingent upon the city assuming responsibility for demolishing the old concession stand after the school removes its contents. The school board will arrange and pay for a property survey before the transfer.
Mayor Dove will negotiate the terms with school Superintendent Ben Allmaras and report back to the council at the next meeting.

The council held a discussion regarding a complaint about the basketball court lights remaining on throughout the night at the city park. Council members spoke with Tom Anderson and Kari Bergman of the park board about installing timers on the court lights. They indicated that they would contact an electrician to arrange for the installation.

The council members each gave a portfolio report.

Amotion was made by Hermanson, seconded by Dosch, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 11.0301 - Keeping Chickens within City Limits. All voting yes, the motion carried.

ARTICLE 3 -- Chickens

11.0301 Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to allow the keeping of domestic hens for personal, non-commercial use while ensuring the health, safety and welfare of residents and minimizing potential nuisances. The keeping of chickens should not impact neighboring properties

11.0302 Definitions · Chicken: A domesticated bird of

the species Gallus gallus domesticus.

- Hen: A female chicken. Rooster: A male chicken
- Coop: A fully enclosed structure used to house hens.
- Run: A fenced outdoor area attached to the coop allowing hens
- to roam safely.

 Owner: Ány person keeping or harboring hens

11.0303 Permitted Use (a) Up to four (4) hens may be kept on any residential property within city limits.

(b) Roosters are strictly prohibited within city limits due to noise concerns. (c) Hens shall be kept for personal use only; commercial use (e.g., egg sales) is prohibited.

(d) No slaughtering is allowed within city limits.
11.0304 Permit Requirements

(a) Residents must obtain a chicken-keeping permit from the city auditor prior to acquiring hens.
(b) Permit applications must

 Site plan showing location of coop and run in relation to property lines and neighboring structures

• Description of coop/run design

and materials A signed agreement to comply with all terms of this ordinance

(c) An initial application fee of \$20 is due at the time of application. (d) Permits are valid for one (1) calendar year and must be renewed

annually in May during the pet clinic. Renewal fee: \$15. (e) Permits are non-transferable between property owners or locations.

11.0305 Coop and

Run Requirements

(a) Coops and runs must be located only in the rear yard and must

 10 feet from the property line 25 feet from any neighboring residence

 Chickens shall not be kept inside the residence or garage

(b) The coop must: Be predator-proof, weatherproof, and well-ventilated

 Provide at least 4 square feet of space per hen inside the coop Be kept in good repair and sanitary condition at all times

(c) The run must:
• Provide at least 10 square feet per hen

· Be fully enclosed to prevent escape and deter predators
11.0306 Sanitation and **Waste Disposal** 

(a) The coop and surrounding area must be cleaned regularly to prevent odors, pests, and accumulation of waste (b) Chicken excrement shall be

removed at least weekly and either: Composted properly, or · Doubled in sealed bags and disposed of with household waste

(c) Owners shall use odor-control methods such as carbon-based edding (e.g., straw, wood shavings). (d) Water and feed must be kept

in spill-proof containers and stored ecurely to avoid attracting pests.
11.0307 Chickens Running at Large

(a) Hens shall be confined at all times within the permitted coop and run.

(b) Chickens found at large:

 Are declared a public nuisance and may be impounded by the city If not claimed within 48 hours, or if repeated violations occur, birds may be rehomed or humanely euthanized

at the city's discretion

• May result in the issuance of citations or permit revocation

(c) Owners are responsible for all costs associated with retrieval or disposal of chickens at large. The 11.0308 Penalty

Any person who violates the provisions of this article for which a specific penalty is not otherwise provided shall be guilty of an infraction for which the maximum penalty is a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) The owner of any animal impounded pursuant to the provisions of this article shall pay all costs and charges assessed for such impoundment before such animal may be released to the owner.

The city council has designated Aug. 4-8, 2025 as City Cleanup Week. Pam Lee was asked to send notices to all city residents informing them of the scheduled dates and details.

The council held a discussion

regarding the use of fluoride in the city's drinking water. Following the discussion, the council decided to defer the decision to the Central Plains Water District, as they will soon be assuming responsibility for the water treatment plant.

The council discussed the possibility of holding a town hall meeting in August. Further discussion and planning will take place at next month's council meeting. There was a discussion regarding

the holiday lights and banners that the Active Women group is currently organizing. The Active Women of Maddock

will be selling fireworks at the fire hall July 1-5, 2025. There were two building permits

presented as follows: 1. David Johnson/Johnson Ag Resources -- demolition of house and removal of debris.

 Wanda Terpening -- fence.
 A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve all building permits. All voting yes, the motion carried.

A motion was made by

Hermanson, seconded by Wentz, to approve a gaming permit for the Rural Renaissance Festival and 125th Celebration. All voting yes, the motion

A motion was made by Pierson, seconded by Hermanson, to approve a special event permit for the Harriman's/Bobcat Bar for the Buckmier/Nyhagen wedding dance July 19, 2025. All voting yes, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m. The next council meeting will be Tuesday, July 8, 2025.

Pamela Lee City Auditor

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