Unapproved Minutes
Gettysburg, South Dakota
November 2, 2026

Pursuant to the due call and notice thereof, the City Council met in regular session on November 2, 2026, at 7:00PM at the City Finance Office in Gettysburg, SD and via ZOOM. Those present were Mayor Adam Roseland, Philip Nagel, Michael Fischer, Sara Cronin, William VanderVorst, Kelly Archer, and Seth Warner. Also, present were Greg Gerber-Maintenance Manager, Sheila Schatz-Finance Officer, Shane Wager-Deputy Finance Officer, Ryan Vogel-City Attorney (Zoom), Kara Williams-Economic Development, Maria Mogard, Michael Jager, MaryBeth Johnson, Kristen Merwin, Steven Zuber, and quite a few other participants via ZOOM.

Moved by Nagel, VanderVorst seconded, to approve November 2, 2026, proposed agenda with the amendment of adding Mayor's letter regarding right-of-way at property 109 S Mannston Street under New Business. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by VanderVorst, Fischer seconded, to approve October 5, 2026, regular council meeting minutes and October 28, 2026, special meeting minutes. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Payroll Expense by Department:

Airport	$2,999.17
Ambulance	$9,422.31
Auditorium	$0.00
Council	$4,140.78
Finance Office	$2,873.08
Mayor	$1,225.00
Parks	$765.30
Police	$5,488.56
Rubble Site	$3,183.71
Sewer	$3,393.11
Snow Removal	$0.00
Streets	$5,985.46
Swimming Pool	$1,052.14
Water	$6,070.38
West Nile	$367.44
Total Payroll Expense by Department	**$46,966.44**

Net Payroll	October 2026	$34,400.39
Aflac Ins.	Aflac Ins.	$394.16
Agtegra Faulkton East	Airport Fuel AvGas & Street Fuel	$10,468.99
AT&T Mobility	Police Cells & Hot Spots & Radios and Ambulance Hot Spots	$457.21
Avera Careflight	(1) New Membership	$49.00
Avera Gettysburg	Ambulance Supplies	$186.13
Avera Patient Financial Svs.	Prof. Svs. – Street & Ambulance	$75.40

Bear Graphics, Inc.	Finance Office Supplies	$203.00
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Ambulance Supplies	$1,073.70
Building Sprinkler, Inc.	Prof. Svs. – Auditorium	$795.00
Cam-Wal Electric Co-Op	Airport Unmetered LED Light & Energy-Electric @ Rubble Site	$92.98
Code Enforcement Specialists	Prof. Svs. – Code Enforcement	$791.83
Colonial Life Ins.	Life Ins.&Volunteer Policies (payroll deducted)	$1,026.50
Dakota Applicators	Fire Hall Repairs/Maintenance	$10,175.00
Dakota Supply Group	Pool Supplies	$112.56
Dollar General	Finance Office & Street Supplies	$350.75
First Citizens Bank	October Payroll Taxes & September Sales Tax	$11,333.99
First Interstate Bank	CC Payoff	$2,232.04
Gettysburg Ace Hardware	Parks, Streets, Ambulance, Airport, & Sewer Supplies	$233.88
Gettysburg Development Corp.	October BBB Taxes	$5,649.85
Heartland Payment Systems	CC Fees	$96.40
Heartland Waste Mgmt., Inc.	October Garbage Collection	$6,824.84
Helms & Associates	Prof. Svs. – Airport	$12,218.72
Holzwarth Sales & Service, Inc.	Ambulance Repairs/Maintenance	$80.00
Ingram Pest Service, Inc.	Prof. Svs. – Fire Hall/Ambulance	$95.00
Insurance Benefits, Inc.	Airport Liability Ins. Renewal	$2,079.00
Jenner Parts Supply, LLC	Street Supplies	$373.27
Jensen Rock & Sand, Inc.	Street Supplies	$534.00
Linde Gas & Equipment, Inc.	Ambulance Oxygen	$581.11
Logan Electric, Inc.	Pymt. Est. #1 – Buildings – Airport T-Hangar & Parks Improvements Other than Buildings	$317,213.11
Marco	Copier Lease	$226.38
Mid Dakota Rural Water System	Water Usage	$17,827.40
Midwest Fire & Safety	Prof. Svs. & Supplies for Finance Office, Streets, Auditorium, Police, Fire Hall, & Airport	$630.00
Montana Dakota Utilities	Gas & Electric	$5,558.17
My Aquatic Services	Pool Improvements Other than Buildings	$178,376.04
Northwest Pipe Fittings, Inc.	Pool & Water Supplies	$1,571.22
PCC Ambulance Billing Services	Prof. Svs. – Ambulance	$251.30
Potter County News	Finance Office, Street & Sewer Publications	$438.21
Principal Life Insurance Company	Life Insurance	$74.76
Richardson, Wyly, Wise	Prof. Svs. – Legal	$1,625.00
Runnings Farm & Fleet	Street Supplies	$689.76
Schatz Electric, Inc.	Police Repairs/Maintenance	$1,795.45
SD Dept. of Revenue	Water Testing	$270.00
SDML Workers Comp Fund	Departmental Workers Comp	$16,968.00
SD One Call Board	One-Calls	$13.65
SD Retirement Systems	October Retirement	$4,576.18
Servall	Rugs	$269.32
Standard Ins., Inc.	Vision Ins.	$39.48
TASC	Health Flex Plan	$661.52
True Value Hardware	Pool, Parks, Streets, Airport, Police, Sewer, Rubble Site, & Finance Office Supplies	$942.86

US Bank	Sewer Loan Qrtly. Pymt.	$8,930.13
US Postmaster	October Water Bills	$306.61
Venture Communications	Telephone/Fax/Internet/AWOS	$820.07
Verizon Wireless	Maintenance & Ambulance Cell Phones	$199.01
Wellmark BC/BS Health Plans	Health Ins.	$9,515.19
WEX Bank	Ambulance Fuel	$274.05
TOTAL CHECKS		**$673,047.57**

Moved by Fischer, Warner seconded, to approve vouchers payable. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment:
MaryBeth Johnson: I am here at the meeting tonight still in support of the dynamic braking ordinance that was discussed at the last regular council meeting on October 5, 2026. After the last regular meeting with the meeting minutes being published in the paper, I did get blasted on Facebook, and someone came into my business to give me their thoughts. Things were mentioned like "we can sleep in later", "we don't like semis", this and that. That is not what I am going after, but I would like to see council proceed with the ordinance, if possible. It looks like on the agenda for tonight, there is a draft ordinance, so does that mean we are getting closer to implementing the ordinance? I'm here tonight to continue to support that.

Kristen Merwin: I live along 212, and I am here tonight in support of implementing this ordinance, as well. I still hear the noise every day. I have heard people saying that this is a safety concern. I would just like to understand that and if that is something you are going to consider. I do not know what data would show us that it is unsafe to use quieter braking vs. jake braking. I guess I do not understand where the safety comes in but want to understand it. Is this a true concern? Is there anyone who can explain this? I am by no means an expert on trucks, but I don't understand fully how it would impact safety. I am just here tonight again to continue to support passing the ordinance.

Appointments: None.

Mayor Roseland stated that unless someone has an objection, he is going to hold going into Executive Session until it is needed later on in the agenda. There is no old business, so moving onto new business. Again, Mayor Roseland made an executive decision to move down on the agenda to item 5, Draft Ordinance No. 2026-11-02(A) Unreasonable Noise from Public – Dynamic Braking. An ordinance regarding noise pollution in the city was introduced with VanderVorst providing a preliminary draft for council to review. Council went through the draft section by section, striking some sections and changing language in others. (See final below.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11-02(A)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GETTYSBURG, SOUTH DAKOTA, REGULATING DYNAMIC ENGINE BRAKING FROM VEHICLES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GETTYSBURG, SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. Dynamic Engine Braking from Vehicles Prohibited.

Dynamic Braking or Air-Braking Devices.

(1) Defined. "Dynamic braking device" (commonly known as Jacobs Brake or "Jake Brake") means a device, used primarily on trucks, that converts a vehicle's engine into an air compressor for braking purposes without the use of the vehicle's wheel brakes.

(2) Prohibited. Operating any motor vehicle with a dynamic braking device engaged, except for the avoidance of imminent danger, shall be prohibited within the territorial jurisdiction of the City.

(3) Public Emergency Response Vehicle Exception. Any public emergency response vehicle equipped with a dynamic braking device shall be allowed to use such device while responding to an emergency.

Section 2. Penalty.

Failure to obey this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of $120.00.

Section 3. Severability.

If any section, provision, or clause of this Ordinance is held invalid, that holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST: WITNESS:

_____ _____

Sheila K. Schatz, Finance Officer Adam Roseland, Mayor

1st reading: November 2, 2026
2nd reading: December 8, 2026
Published once at the approximate cost of $_____

Moved by Fischer, Archer seconded, to approve first reading of Ordinance 2026-11-02(A) An Ordinance of the City of Gettysburg, South Dakota, Regulating Dynamic Engine Braking from Vehicles. All members present voted roll call as follows: Nagel – Nay, Fischer – Aye, Cronin – Aye, VanderVorst – Aye, Archer – Aye, and Warner – Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor stated he is now going back to item 3 on the agenda, Ordinance No. 2026-11-02 2027 Appropriation Ordinance. Moved by VanderVorst, Warner seconded, to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-11-02 2027 Appropriation Ordinance. All members present voted roll call as follows: Nagel – Aye, Fischer – Aye, Cronin – Aye, VanderVorst – Aye, Archer – Aye, and Warner – Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor stated he is now skipping forward to item 7, Advertisement for "Used Caterpillar – Model CT660S Bid". Moved by Fischer, Warner seconded, to approve advertising "Used Caterpillar – Model CT660S Bid". All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischer, Archer seconded, to set a short special meeting on Monday, November 16, 2026, at 12:00 noon for the purpose of passing second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2026-11-02 2027 Appropriation Ordinance and to open bids for the "Used Caterpillar – Model CT660S Bid" and hopefully award same. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischer, Archer seconded, to approve setting a tentative special end-of-year meeting for Wednesday, December 30, 2026, at 12:00 noon. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischer, Nagel seconded, to approve (7) 2027 sale of alcohol application renewals.

- CC Bar, LLC — Package (off-sale) Liquor
- CC Bar, LLC — Retail (on-sale) Liquor
- Dollar General Store #17770 — Retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider
- Gettysburg Country Club, Inc. — Retail (on-sale) Liquor
- Gettysburg Flowers/Coffee Bean — Retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider
- JTs Quickstop, LLC — Package (off-sale) Liquor
- Mug's Bar & Grill — Retail (on-sale) Liquor

All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischer, Archer seconded, to approve new 5-year On-Sale Liquor Operating Agreement with Gettysburg Country Club. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Warner, Cronin seconded, to approve advertising new 5-Year (2027-2031) Gettysburg Residential Garbage Collection Contract Bid Specs with change in wording at end of paragraph 5 from "to the Walworth County Landfill" to "landfill of contractor's choosing". All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Roseland gave an update regarding talk of future possibility of moving to county-wide law enforcement. Mayor Roseland, Alderman Nagel and Alderman Cronin, and Chief Mogard met with County Sheriff Hamburger and Commissioners Everson and Tanner to broach the topic of no longer having a separate city police department and relying in some sort of fashion on county-wide law enforcement. No specific dollar figures were agreed to or anything as such. This was just a very brief preliminary meeting to get a feeling if this is something that could work, and the general consensus was yes. There are other templates from other communities that do not have their own police departments but enter into contracts with the county sheriff basically to provide law enforcement for those communities. There is another community in Potter County that has an existing agreement with Potter County to provide law enforcement for their community. The discussion was basically about surrounding areas that have already engaged in this sort of structure and could it work for Gettysburg. It was agreed to meet again in the near future to possibly discuss negotiating standpoints such as dollar figures, asset disbursement, that sort of

thing. It is totally the intention to more than likely have a large special public meeting in the future to get input from the public once there is a little firmer outline of what an agreement might look like to have county-wide law enforcement.

Discussion was had on a brick wall which currently runs 4' into the right-of-way at the property of 109 S Mannston with current purchase of property trying to close on said property. It was mentioned the brick wall was going to be removed, but Mayor Roseland was asked to write a letter stating the City of Gettysburg has no issues with the brick wall currently being 4' into the right-of-way at the property of 109 S Mannston Street, Gettysburg, SD. Moved by VanderVorst, Archer seconded, approving Mayor to sign letter Schatz drafted stating same above so as to help move along finalizing closing on the purchase of property located at 109 S Mannston, Gettysburg, SD. All members present voted Aye with Fischer abstaining from vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischer, Warner seconded, to go into Executive Session for both legal and personnel at 8:37PM. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried. Council reconvened at 9:20PM.

Moved by Nagel, VanderVorst seconded, to terminate David Mogard effective Friday, November 6, 2026, at the end of business day (5:00PM). All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Nagel, Archer seconded, to agree to pay out David Mogard's current sick leave hours at the end of his employment. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Nagel, Fischer seconded, to approve to surplus David Mogard's service weapon. All members present vote Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Nagel, VanderVorst seconded, to approve advertising for a new City of Gettysburg Chief of Police. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Mogard gave police report and stated he is he is currently working with Police Officer Eikamp regarding trainings and software programs, etc. Mogard stated he wanted to thank the Council for employing him as Chief of Police for the last almost 9 years. He stated, "This is is not the way I wanted to retire, but it is what it is".

Gerber gave maintenance report with pool and airport T-hangar updates. As far as rubble site remaining open, Gerber understands the leaves are finally starting to fall, but with the wet weather, it has made it too muddy to enter the rubble site several days. We will just have to go day by day for right now. When in doubt, you may call the finance office to ask or just check the rubble site open/closed sign located by the fire hall on any given day at 3PM.

There was one fuel bid from Agtegra for the following: Unleaded 10% Ethanol FTE at $3.916, Ruby Fieldmaster at $5.72, and Aviation Gas and Jet-A at "$ quote day of delivery". Moved by VanderVorst, Warner seconded, to accept the fuel bid from Agtegra. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Finance Officer Schatz gave finance office report. Reminder: We will still be having employee reviews sometime during the week of November 16-20, 2026. A concrete date and time has not been established as of yet.

- Building Permit: Mann Signs, Inc. – 1103 E Custer Avenue - Wooden Sign for Jensen Sand & Gravel (Self)
- Moving Permit: None
- Demolition Permit: None

Moved by Warner, Archer seconded, to approve building permit. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

- Correspondence: October 2026 Net Payroll Report & OT Report; October 2026 Check Register Report; August 2026 PCC Report;

- Round Table: Schatz thanked Council for having the extra pre-meeting on budget before actual first reading this year. She believes it was very helpful to do it this way. Schatz wanted to thank all involved in running the City for their hard work every day. Schatz thanked Chief Mogard for his service to the City of Gettysburg. I am going to miss you very much, always remember you are appreciated, and you did a great job. Nagel also agreed the pre-meeting for budget was successful. Nagel also thanked Chief Mogard for his years of service and his dedication to the community. We are very glad we had you. Deputy Wager thanked Schatz for all her hard work on the budget. It is a stressful time of the year, but she handled it great. Wager also wanted to thank Chief Mogard for all his hard work and service. He has done more than most people will ever realize around here, and I very much appreciate knowing him as a person and as a professional. Fischer also thanked Chief Mogard for his service. We didn't necessarily always see eye to eye as we maybe had some different outlooks on different things, but your professionalism has always been top notch. We all will miss you, and we thank you for what you have done for the community of Gettysburg as a whole. Cronin states she mirrors everyone's comments. She stated he didn't have as much time on the council to work with you as everyone else did, but she thanks you for your service. Mogard thanked Council and the community, especially the sheriff's office who stepped up after my injuries about two years ago. The sheriff's office has been amazing stepping up and helping me get through this – thank you. Maria Mogard just wanted to give words of support for Dave as he really has given his everything. Williams stated she had some exciting news. For the last weekend in June, we usually have the fireman's bash and a car show. We have always talked about how we need to do a festival or some event that draws people into Gettysburg. We have been one of two cities selected by the SDSU Community Vitality Group who have specialists that are going to work with us to enhance or develop a new festival. We will be able to take what tools they are going to share with us and not only improve our annual fireman/car show event but maybe make it something even bigger. This will help us in celebrating our 145th and 150th birthdays down the road. There will be a zoom meeting invite coming out to some of the people who helped organize the 140th Anniversary. It is just the first of about six meetings as this group will be coming to meet us and get to know the community. It is very neat that we were selected for this. Basically, you're invited to a party to plan a party. Mike Jager stated that Williams and this group will have to work pretty directly with himself and the firemen as that is the firemen's main event, and they will also be taking over the car show. VanderVorst

thanked Chief Mogard for all his years of service. He also reminded the community to get out and vote at the big election. Archer wanted to reiterate what all council has said. Thank you, Dave, for your service and good luck in your retirement. We appreciate all you have done for us. Warner also thanked Chief Mogard for his service and also thanked his wife, Maria, for her support of Dave in working as Chief of Police for the City throughout the years. Mayor Roseland echoes the sentiment of those before him. Dave has been with the City of Gettysburg since December of 2017, almost 9 years, and has been in law enforcement 21 years. Thank you for being a good, faithful public servant.

Moved by Warner, Archer seconded, to adjourn meeting at 9:48PM. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Attest: Witness:

Sheila K. Schatz, Finance Officer Adam Roseland, Mayor