CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, April 6, 2026

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Steve Nordaune at 6:00 p.m., Monday, April 6, 2026, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council members present: DuWayne Galow, Beth Pullan, Dan Barber, Brad Peterson, Craig Opdahl, and Scott Peterson. Staff present: City Manager Crystal Johnson, Finance Director Tracy Peterson and City Clerk Christine Kleven. Also present: City Engineer Mike Amborn, Tribune Editor Jessica Jacobson-Stolen.

CONSENT AGENDA: M/S/P BARBER/B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS: Minutes, Bills, Correspondence, and Meetings & Events.

REPORT: Utilities Commission report was acknowledged at this time.

YES HOUSE PARKING REQUEST: M/S/P S. PETERSON/PULLAN to approved the request from The YES! House to close and utilize two front parking spaces on Saturday, April 25, for their Grand Opening event. The event will include a food truck from 3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

PRENTICE STREET SIDEWALK BIDS: Mike Amborn was present to review the three bids opened on March 31, 2026, as follows:

- B.G. Amundson Construction, Inc. (Benson, MN) $399,558.00
- Land Pride Construction, LLC (Paynesville, MN) $444,480.40
- Duininck, Inc. (Prinsburg, MN) $446,344.00.

Amborn recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, B.G. Amundson Construction, Inc., at $399,558.00, which is below the engineer's estimate. He also recommended holding a public informational meeting for affected businesses following the preconstruction meeting. B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the bid of B.G. Amundson Construction, Inc. in the amount of $399,558.00 for the Downtown Streetscape Sidewalk Improvement Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-27

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

(Copy on file in city clerk's office)

With second by Opdahl, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

CHIPPEWA/YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY FAIR DONATIONS: Following discussion, B. Peterson introduced a resolution and moved its adoption approving a donation of $500 to each the Chippewa and Yellow Medicine County Fairs. The funding will be sourced from the Granite Falls Energy Dividend Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-28

RESOLUTION APPROVING DONATIONS TO
CHIPPEWA AND YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY FAIRS

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With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES DAMON FARBER: B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the proposed Professional Services with Damon Farber to move forward with trail exploration.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-29

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPLORATION OF PROPOSED TRAIL PROJECT
AND APPROVING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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With second by Pullan, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

2026-2028 MAPE Contract: upon the recommendation of the Wage and Salary Committee, S. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the three-year contract with the MAPE Union.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-30

RESOLUTION APPROVING UNION CONTRACT PROPOSAL
BETWEEN THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS AND MAPE

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With second by B. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

2026-2028 CITY MANAGER CONTRACT: 3 year. B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the three-year contract with the city manager.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-31

RESOLUTION CITY MANAGER CONTRACT

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With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

BOARD OF APPEALS & EQUALIZATION: Thursday, April 9, 2026 from 6:30 – 7:00pm.

LIQUOR STORE LOGO: Tabled.

ADJOURN: M/S/P S. PETERSON/B. PETERSON TO ADJOURN AT 6:30 PM.

Steve Nordaune
Mayor

ATTEST: Christine Kleven
City Clerk