



Regular City Council Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Lalone

b. Roll Call

Council members Gaertner, Landrus, Suchy, Thurn & Mayor Lalone

2. Approval of Minutes for City Council meeting Sept. 15, 2025, Fire Advisory meeting Feb. 26, 2025, Planning & Zoning Commission meeting July 7, 2025, DAHS meeting July 22, 2025, Red Rooster Committee meeting Aug. 26, 2025, Dassel City Council EDA meeting Sept. 15, 2025.

Attachments:

- **City Council meeting Sept. 15, 2025** (Draft_Regular_City_Council_Meeting_Minutes_09-15-2025.pdf)
- **DAHS meeting July 22, 2025** (DAHS_Minutes_July_22_2025.pdf)
- **Dassel City Council EDA meeting Sept. 15, 2025.** (Dassel_City_Council_EDA_Meeting_Minutes_9-15-2025.pdf)
- **Fire Advisory Meeting Feb 26, 2025** (Dassel_Fire_Advisory_Board_Minutes_02-26-2025.pdf)
- **Planning & Zoning Commission meeting July 7, 2025** (Planning_Zoning_Commission_Minutes_07-07-2025.pdf)
- **Red Rooster Committee meeting Aug. 26, 2025** (Red_Rooster_Minutes_08-26-2025.pdf)

3. Public Hearing(s)

4. Open Forum

(The City Council invites residents to share new ideas or concerns related to city business; however, individual questions and remarks are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No City Council action will be taken, although the Council may refer issues to staff for follow up or consideration at a future meeting. The Mayor may use discretion if speakers are repeating views already expressed or ask for a spokesperson for groups of individuals with similar views. Speakers should state their name and home address at the podium before speaking.)

5. Additions or Omissions to Agenda

6. Consent Agenda

- Payment of Claims \$283,443.28**
- Approve MN Lawful Gambling permit for Dassel-Cokato Wrestling Boosters to hold raffle at Thirsty's Tavern, 241 Atlantic Ave W, Dassel on Feb. 7, 2026**
- Approve the Retail Registration for Lower-Potency Hemp Edible-Retail (LPHE-R) for the Dassel Municipal Liquor Store for one year starting**

November 1, 2025, for \$125.00 pending MN Office of Cannabis Management approval.

- d. **Approve Resolution 2025-025 Accepting a Donation to the City of Dassel for the Fire Department - Paula Trisko**

Attachments:

- **Resolution 2025-025 Accepting Donation for Fire Department from Paula Trisko** (2025-025_Resolution_Accepting_a_Donation_to_the_City_of_Dassel_for_Fire_Department.pdf)

- e. **Approval to set Public Hearing for December 15, 2024, at 6:15 p.m. certifying for assessment delinquent garbage, water and sewer, and mowing bills to Meeker County.**

- f. **Accept the Resignation from Bill Ward from the Heritage Preservation Commission.**

7. Council & Committee Reports

- a. **DAHS meeting, Tues. Sept. 23, 2025 - Eckerly**
- b. **Red Rooster meeting, Mon. Sept. 29, 2025 - Gaertner**
- c. **Special City Council meeting, Tues. Sept. 30, 2025 - Lalone**
- d. **Dassel Cokato Rec Center meeting, Mon. Oct. 6, 2025 - Eckerly**
- e. **Dassel-Cokato Trail Committee meeting, Mon. Oct. 13, 2025 - Landrus**

8. Staff Reports

- a. **Museum Director**

Attachments:

- **Museum Director Report** (Museum_Directors_report.pdf)

- b. **Liquor Store Manager**

Attachments:

- **Liquor Sept 2025** (Liquor_Sept_2025.pdf)

- c. **Fire Chief**

Attachments:

- **Total Calls for September 2025** (Total_Calls_for_September_2025.pdf)

- d. **Public Works Director**

Attachments:

- **Monthly Report** (Public_Works_Report_October_2025.pdf)

- e. **City Engineer**

Mitchell Lease, Bolton & Menk will be presenting applying for a grant through the MN DEED under the BDPI grant to address the wastewater limitations on 3rd Street South for

Spectrallytics, a Cretex Medical Company.

Mayor Lalone, Administrator Eckerly and Mitchell Lease met at Spectrallytics on Sept. 23, 2025, to discuss the situation.

Attachments:

- **10-15-2025 Memo to Council Regarding Spectrallytics Wastewater Expansion Utilizing DEED BDPI Grant** (10-15-2025_Memo_to_Council_Regarding_Spectrallytics_Wastewater_Expansion_Utilizing_DEED_BDPI_Grant.pdf)

f. City Administrator

Attachments:

- **20251017 City Administrator Report** (20251017_City_Administrator_Report.pdf)

g. Sheriff's Department

Attachments:

- **Monthly Report** (Meeker_Co_Sheriffs_Monthly_Stats_-_September_2025.pdf)

9. Business Items

- a. Motion to declare the 2005 Ford Ranger (VIN 1FTZR15E35PA93134) as surplus property and authorize advertisement for bids using _____ with a minimum bid of \$_____**

Kyle Moy, Public Works Director will report on the information to be put in the blanks whether to use MinnBid and what a minimum bid amount should be.

- b. Discuss new Fire Station**

The Fire Advisory Board met on September 10, 2025, and passed a motion to recommend to the Dassel City Council to move forward with the planning of a new fire station. The motion was approved 5 entities (Dassel Township, Ellsworth Township, Kingston Township, City of Kingston, City of Dassel) in favor and 1 Darwin Township opposed. 2 entities were absent City of Darwin and Collinwood Township.

Dave Johnson, Fire Chief and the Firefighter Committee researching a new fire station will be in attendance to discuss. Some members of the Fire Advisory Board may also be in attendance.

Attachments:

- **10-10-25 Article in Dassel Cokato Enterprise Dispatch Regarding Fire Station** (10-10-25_Article_in_Dassel_Cokato_Enterprise_Dispatch_Regarding_Fire_Station.pdf)

- **9-19-25 Email from Jeff Atkinson Darwin Township Regarding New Fire Station** (9-19-25_Email_from_Jeff_Atkinson_Darwin_Township_Regarding_New_Fire_Station.pdf)
- **Draft Dassel Fire Advisory Board Minutes 09-10-2025** (Draft_Dassel_Fire_Advisory_Board_Minutes_09-10-2025.pdf)
- **New fire hall Presentation PDF** (new_fire_hall_Presentation_PDF.pdf)

c. Motion to approve the Predevelopment Agreement with Away Out Sober Living at 22851 MN Hwy 15.

10. Announcements / Dates to Remember

MN Assn Small Cities meeting, Thurs. Oct. 23, 2025, 2:00 p.m. in Paynesville, MN
 Meeker County Justice Center Open House, Wed. Oct. 29, 2025, 4:30p.m. Litchfield, MN
 Charter Communications, Spectrum Channel Lineup and Programming Changes/Additions.
 CGMC 2025 Fall Conference, November 13 - 14, 2025, Grand Rapids, MN.

DAHS meeting, Tues. Oct. 28, 2025, 10:00 a.m. History Center

Special City Council CLOSED meeting, Tues. Oct. 28, 2025, at 6:00 pm at City Hall

Red Rooster Committee meeting, Thurs. Oct. 30, 2025, at 6:00 pm at City Hall

Discover Dassel, Downtown Trick or Treating, Friday, Oct. 31, 2025, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Veterans Day, Tues. Nov. 11, 2025 - City Hall Closed - Holiday

Dept Head meeting, Wed. Nov. 12, 2025, 7:00 a.m. at City Hall

City Council meeting, Mon. Nov. 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

11. Adjourn

The agenda packet with all background material is located at the side table for viewing by the public. The agenda is subject to change without notice. Information and materials relating to the above items are available for review at city hall by appointment.