



PICK CITY NEWS

MARCH 2026

City of Pick City March 4, 2026 meeting minutes

Present: Arvid Anderson, Lori Davis, Brandon Reiser, Scott Bather. Absent: Westman

Also present: Darwin & Wanda Knutson, RRE Tanner & Laurie, Ronnie Johnson, Attorney Mark Kaffer, PWD Jim Sailer, Accountant Amy Ones, Auditor Diane Johnson.

Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Reiser motioned, second Davis to approve consent items; 2/4/206 minutes, agenda, & bills. MC

Rough Rider Electric representatives, Tanner & Laurie informed the Council that they will be installing underground electricity throughout the town starting late summer to early fall. They had maps to show where the process will start and let the council know that some trees may have to be removed in some areas. RRE will be notifying the residents when they will be in their area, and any outages that come with the install. At the water plant RRE may possibly need to change the existing three phase power. He will meet with Jim in the near future and decide afterward.

Darwin Knutson previously had sent informational packets to the Council to review of an ongoing investigation he has been pursuing against the Mercer County Commission., in his packets he states that Mercer County Commission misappropriated State/Federal Highway Grant Funds exceeding over \$360,000, in a five year period between the years of 2015-2020. These funds were distributed to Hazen & Beulah. However Zap, Golden Valley, Stanton & Pick City never received any. He was asking for the support of Pick City. He also had discussed 3 ballot Initiated measures that he filed with Mercer County Auditor. Questions & answers followed and the council thanked Mr. Knutson for his ongoing effort. No other action was taken at this time.

Reiser motioned, second Bather to approve of the 2025 Transportation Funding Report. All in favor, MC Attorney Kaffer brought the annexation petition for Wald. Discussion followed, council would like to review petition, and at the Feb 4, 2026 meeting the motion to approve annexation was with the stipulation that lien releases were sent to City, before approval. No other action taken.

Board of Equalization Meeting will be held April 8, 2025 @1:00pm.

Davis informed the council about the Dam Bar hosting street dance for the 250th celebration July 11.

Reports: Landfill was burned March 3rd. There were no other reports.

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. These minutes are unofficial and subject to Council review and approval. Next city meeting April 1, 2026

Bills: Payroll/ins. \$5687.88, Jim Sailer-50.00, Diane Johnson-36.25, NDPERS-234.00, US Treasury-1377.60, WSI-536.85, WRT-178.02, RRE-1619.55, Circle Sanit.-2311.25, MSRWD-3929.06, MSRWD-4226.54, BND-180.00, BND-1480.00, BND-3900.00, Dust Tex-53.90, Hazen Star-81.88, Loffer-43.05
MC Museum-25.00, NDDOH-54.00, Ones Consulting-1200.00, RPCWC -50.00, Scott's-196.37
Steffes Agency-2.00

Holy Week Schedule – 2026:

Holy Thursday-April 2nd: St. Edwin's 6:30pm (Washburn)

Good Friday- April 3rd: St. Catherine's 3:00pm (Turtle Lake)

St. Bonaventure's 5:30pm (Underwood)

Easter Vigil- April 4th: St. Bonaventure's 7:30pm (Underwood)

Easter Sunday – April 5th: St. Edwin's 9:00am (Washburn)

St. Catherine's 11:00am (Turtle Lake)

Calendar of events 2026

March 23 – NDSU Extension Free “Think Spring Workshop” 5:30pm@ Beulah –details call: 873-5195

March 31 – Homestead Credit applications due – send to Mercer County

April 1 – Deadline for ND Primary Residence Tax Credit – apply online www.ndtax.gov

April 1 – City Meeting – 7:30pm @ city hall

April 6 – LAST day to file for City Election by 4:00pm

April 8 – Board of Equalization meeting – 1:00pm @ City Hall

April 15 – Final Steering Committee – 6:30 pm @ Center

May 9 – Apehangers- “Hot Rod at the Hatchery”- Car show -12:00pm @Garrison Dam Fish Hatchery

May 23- Hatchery Fun Day – 9:00-1:00 @ Garrison Fish Hatchery info: 654-7475

May 23rd – EMS for Kids – 4:-8:00pm @ Fort Stevenson State Park – Garrison

Notice of Pick City Election

Positions open

One Council Member to serve term of four (4) years

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Mayor to serve term of four (4) years

Please contact City Auditor if interested

Candidates must file the required forms with the City Auditor no later than 4:00 pm Monday April 6, 2026

