

Colome City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 3rd, 2025

Mayor Kelly Leighton called the meeting of the Colome City Council to order at 7:00 pm at the Colome City Hall. The council members present were Duffy, Heese, Kutz, and Nelsen. Dougherty and Hill were absent. Also, present were Finance Officer Bobbi Harter, Attorney Alvin Pahlke and Visitors Bill Heese. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Discussion/Corrections/Approve- Motion by Heese second by Kutz to approve the agenda as written; all ayes motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Minutes- Motion by Nelsen seconded by Duffy to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes from May 6th, 2025, all ayes motion carried 4-0.

Public Forum/visitors- None

Colome Development Corporation- William Bill Heese the president of the Colome Development Corporation came to the meeting to discuss with the council what the development corporation is looking for in the future.

Law/Code Enforcement Officer Baker entered the meeting at 7:13 pm

Bill Heese exited the meeting at 7:18 pm

Financial Report- Finance Officer Harter Reviewed the May Financials with the council. Nelsen Motion to approve the financials and Duffy seconded the motion. all ayes motion carried 4-0.

Claims Payable- Motion by Heese second by Kutz to pay May Claims, all ayes motion carried 4-0.

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Tripp County Water User District	May Water Purchase	\$	-
Pahlke Law Office	Legal Advice	\$	220.00
Hawkins, Inc	Chlorine Bottle Rental	\$	10.00
Core and Main LP	Water Inventory	\$	2,140.00
SD Public Health Laboratory	Water Testing	\$	30.00
Sioux Valley Environmental	Chlorine Heads Overhauled	\$	1,820.00
IMEG Consults Corp	Janu-May Wastewater Treatment Study	\$	3,125.00
First Bank & Trust	Budget Training,Amazon Prime,Postage	\$	261.81
Winner Advocate	Minutes, ads, Ordinances, Resolution	\$	617.40
DANR	Drinking Water Fee	\$	140.00
CyberTek Systems	Micro 365, Backup, 4TB Hard Drive for Cameras and Labor	\$	278.45
Flying D	Fuel and Safety Glasses	\$	863.31
South Central Repair	Tool Box for Pickup	\$	200.00
B&B Recycling LLC	Roll-Off Dumpsters-City Clean Up	\$	2,224.50
Heartland Waste Management	May Sanitation Pickup	\$	4,221.50
ClerkBooks Inc	Utility Billing Software Renewal	\$	200.00
John Deere Financial	Boot Skid Steer Tire Repair	\$	15.42
GF Buches	Shop Building Supplies and Backhoe Supplies	\$	121.06
Runnings Supply Inc	Equipment,Cem, Shop Supplies	\$	91.61
Rosebud Electric	Electricity	\$	1,066.01
Golden West	Internet and telephone	\$	165.88
Employees	May Payroll	\$	7,924.03

Department Reports

Finance Officer Bobbi Harter informed the council that she has received several resident complaints regarding barking dogs. She has notified those residents that the concerns will be forwarded to the Nuisance Committee for further review.

Additionally, complaints have been received about campers and RVs being connected to city residents' utilities. This is considered a violation under Ordinance No. 2025-2 – Camper Ordinance, and steps will be taken to address the issue.

Bobbi also reported on legislative changes, noting that House Bill 1130, which changes the dates for municipal and school district elections, will take effect July 1, 2025. Under the new law, elections will now be held on either:

- The Tuesday after the first Monday in June, or
- The first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Office Closure Notice:

The Finance Office will be closed Wednesday, June 11 through Friday, June 13.

Next Regular Council Meeting:

Scheduled for Tuesday, July 8 at 7:00 PM.

Law/code Enforcement Officer David Baker provided the council with an update regarding the two nuisance properties under review. The council agreed to:

- Remove Parcel 50.09.09.02 from the nuisance property list.
- Proceed with the abatement process for Parcel 50.23.23.06.

Officer Baker also presented the remainder of his report to the council, covering current enforcement activities and any ongoing investigations.

Committee Reports

Nuisance (Heese, Kutz, Duffy)

Following a meeting of the Nuisance Committee to review the status of Parcel 50.09.09.02, the committee has decided to issue a formal notice to the resident(s). The notice will provide 30 days from the date of the letter to take one of the following actions:

- Restore the building to its original condition, or
- Remove the building from the property.

Failure to comply within the 30-day period may result in further enforcement action.

Old Business

Hazard Mitigation Projects- Finalize

The council held a discussion regarding potential Mitigation Projects aimed at improving community safety and emergency preparedness. Three (3) primary projects were considered and approved with a motion by Duffy seconded by Heese for the extended years of 2025- 2030:

1. Generator Acquisition for Well Field
To ensure continuous water supply during power outages and emergencies.
2. Construction of a Tornado Shelter
A shelter to be located in the city park or another suitable location, providing residents with a safe refuge during severe weather events.
3. Fire Department Upgrades
Improvements to fire department capabilities, including enhanced training, vehicle acquisition, and equipment upgrades to improve emergency response.

Further evaluation and planning will be required to prioritize these projects and explore funding opportunities.

New Business

District III-Statement of Extension

Motion by Heese seconded by Kutz to approve the Statement of Extension with District III in the amount of \$718.00 Payable February 2026. all ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Summer Employment Evaluation

Motion by Nelsen Seconded by Kutz to increase Taitin Ringing Shield's Wages to \$16.00 an hour.

Executive Session- Motion by Nelsen to enter executive at 8:19 pm Legal issue per SDCL 1-25-2 (3).

Motion by Kutz to exit executive session at 8:29 seconded by Duffy.

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Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Nelsen second by Duffy to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm; all ayes motion carried 4-0.

Kelly Leighton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer, Bobbi Harter

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