

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Cozad, Dawson County, Nebraska and the Board of Public Works was convened in open and public session at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building at 215 West 8th Street. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Council Chambers.

Present for the meeting were: Mayor Marcus Kloepping, City Attorney Jennifer Rowling, City Clerk Brandi Kloepping, Councilmembers: Jordan Curtice, David Hernandez, Jennifer Howerter, Patrick Worthman, Board members: Marcus Young, Randy Jacob, Tim Sladek, Commissioner Troy Franzen, Chris Miller with Miller & Associates, Mike Morgan, Robyn Geiser with Cozad Community Foundation.

Absent: Board member Mike Neill.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in 3 public places: Wilson Public Library, US Post Office, and the City Office Building. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda was given to members of the City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Kloepping opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Chris Miller with Miller & Associates discussed the renovations for the Wastewater Treatment Facility for the Clean Water SRF project.

Jordan Curtice joined the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Miller explained this is not in a floodplain. He showed the building design and the funding for the renovations.

Jacob moved, Sladek seconded, to recommend letting out for bid for the SRF project. Roll call vote: Yea – Young, Sladek, Jacob. No – None. Absent and not voting – Mike Neill.

Howerter moved, Worthman seconded, to approve letting out for bid for the SRF project. Roll call vote: Yea – Hernandez, Curtice, Worthman, Howerter. No – None.

Mayor Kloepping was told the county doesn't plan to fund Ryde Transit so if they don't, it will make the city funding go up tremendously.

Mayor Kloepping introduced Mike Morgan, former City Manager for City of Kearney. Morgan may be interested in assisting the City of Cozad in a part-time position as City Administrator to assist with many duties to include the search for a new City Administrator.

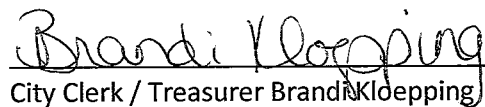
Discussion was taken up on the note for the land at the softball complex. Geiser mentioned the city and the Cozad Community Foundation had worked together to take over this land and make it something the community wanted. The Foundation raised the funds for most of the development and originally paid on the land to get it paid down from the \$450,000 purchase price and would like the city to take over the remaining loan for the land purchase.

Howerter moved, Worthman seconded, to take over the remaining land note for the ballfield of approximately \$215,000.00. Roll call vote: Yea: Curtice, Worthman, Howerter. No – Hernandez.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:


Mayor Marcus Kloepping


City Clerk / Treasurer Brandi Kloepping

