

JUNE 8, 2026
CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Neil Engelmann at 7:00pm on the 8th day of June, 2026, at the Plato Fire Hall.

City Council members present: Andy Fasching, Peggy Flusemann, and Jeannie Stumpf

City Staff present: Clerk/Treasurer Gerri Scott and Public Works Director Scott Graupmann

Guests: Sergeant Caturia; Susanne Couval Templin; Ron Templin; Chief Ryan Neubarth

Motion: by JS to approve the agenda as presented. Second by PF. All in favor.

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

none

Motion: by JS to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2026, regular City Council Meeting. Second by AF. All in favor.

REPORTS

Committee Reports:

Plato Planning Commission

- A draft of the May 19, 2026 minutes were provided for review.
- The public hearing for the Shipping Container ordinance and the Solar Energy Systems ordinance will be June 16, 2026. The public hearing for Mr. Lemmer's CUP request will also be at that time.
- The next PPC meeting is set for June 16, 2026. PF will attend.

Plato Fire Department

Chief Neubarth – house burn went well, however they had issues with the engine, which have now been repaired; anhydrous ammonia training; County Chiefs meeting – box alarms are still in progress, mutual aid agreements will be updated; mass triage car/bus scenario training

McLeod County Sheriff

- 1st Quarter 2026 call reports were provided. Discussion on noise ordinance, fireworks, and reckless driving. Sergeant Caturia to bring the speed limit trailer and place it by the park, on 1st Street

Committee/Liaison reports:

- GS advised the Community Hall Committee met on June 4. The Committee would like to have a rough idea of what abatement would be needed.
- Plato Lions Dairy Days – June 11 and they are exploring hosting a Fall Festival in the park on October 3.

Treasurers Report – **Motion:** by PF to approve the Treasurer's Report presented. Second by AF. All in favor. Council was provided with a current bank account balance/internal transfer report and May 2026 timesheets.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
16883	6/8/2026	2	AG SPECIALISTS	\$203.43
16884	6/8/2026	47	HELEN TOWNSHIP	\$881.40
16885	6/8/2026	58	KOHL'S SWEEPING SERVICE	\$1,440.00
16886	6/8/2026	80	MINNESOTA DEPT OF HEALTH	\$627.00
16887	6/8/2026	272	QUALITY FLOW SYSTEMS INC	\$1,400.00

16888	6/8/2026	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$43.20
16889	6/8/2026	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$4.77
16890	6/8/2026	474	+T++MOBILE	\$67.12
16891	6/8/2026	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$180.54
16892	6/8/2026	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$1,181.54
16893	6/8/2026	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$370.96
16894	6/8/2026	582	CLARKE ENVIRON MOSQUITO MGMT	\$682.50
16895	6/8/2026	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,664.89
16896	6/8/2026	738	POTENTIA MN SOLAR FUND 1 LLC	\$749.57
16897	6/8/2026	758	HALLETT WARRICK	\$650.00
16898	6/8/2026	765	ENGELMANN, NEIL	\$850.17
16899	6/8/2026	767	CROW RIVER CONSTRUCTION	\$1,837.50
16900	6/8/2026	797	CLABO THOMAS	\$277.05
16901	6/8/2026	840	STROBEL KYLE R	\$436.57
16902	6/8/2026	845	FLUSEMANN PEGGY	\$436.57
16903	6/8/2026	861	SNACK ATAK #36	\$393.30
16904	6/8/2026	883	STUMPF MARSHA J	\$26.65
16905	6/8/2026	883	STUMPF MARSHA J	\$436.57
16906	6/8/2026	885	FASCHING ANDREW	\$436.57
16907	6/8/2026	886	HAS LLC dba Dehmer Central Fire	\$176.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT:				
4721	6/8/2026	91	PERA	\$15,000.00
4722	6/8/2026	588	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL	\$514.26
4723	6/8/2026	689	JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$2,253.39
4724	6/8/2026	715	BRENDA SCHULTZ CLEANING SERV	\$240.00
4725	6/8/2026	861	SNACK ATAK #36	\$487.71
4726	6/8/2026	886	HAS LLC dba Dehmer Central Fire Protect	\$112.00
4727	6/8/2026	898	KWIK TRIP INC	\$9.90
INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:				
16871	5/26/2026	46	HAWKINS, INC	\$20.00
16872	5/26/2026	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$258.51
16873	5/26/2026	88	XCEL ENERGY	\$1,293.47
16874	5/26/2026	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$152.07
16875	5/26/2026	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$1,413.22
16876	5/26/2026	574	STATE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	\$103.50
16877	5/26/2026	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,664.89
16878	5/26/2026	732	VISA	\$161.06
16879	5/26/2026	777	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	\$62.04
16880	5/26/2026	883	STUMPF MARSHA J	\$226.57
16881	5/26/2026	900	NUVERA	\$1,359.02
16882	5/26/2026	901	PROKORE	\$2,599.74
			US Treasury (online) May payroll tax deposit	\$2,062.32
			PERA contribution (online) for 5/1-15/26 payroll	\$557.16
			PERA contribution (online) for 5/16-31/26 payroll	\$511.64
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
4716	5/26/2026	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$273.46
4717	5/26/2026	588	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL	\$521.28
4718	5/26/2026	640	MN FIRE SERVICE CERT BOARD	\$75.00
4719	5/26/2026	689	JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$537.90
4720	5/26/2026	702	CUSTOMIZED FIRE RESCUE TRAIN	\$2,000.00

Motion: by JS to approve payment of the above-stated claims, along with Nuvera for \$359.90. Second by AF. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Joe Hunt – GS provided an update from the City Attorney on the criminal action and also on the abatement process.

Complaints – A letter went out relating to a parking complaint on 1st Street NE.

Pavement Management/Road-Infrastructure Project –

-GS provided an updated letter from Shannon Sweeney regarding funding. SG to check with City Engineer on possible core samples to better determine road health.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council was provided with the litigation documents entitled PRE Family, LLC et al vs. City of Plato, et al relating to the meandered land/old Kennison lakebed. GS provided the documents to the City Attorney following being served. Short discussion on the suit and the City's position.

COUNCIL REQUEST:

KS and GS had a virtual meeting with the County Engineer on May 18 regarding the corner of 4th Avenue and Main Street. Following that meeting, the County has installed additional directional signage. If that signage does not help, then other options would need to be explored. GS to check on getting the street designation off the mapping services.

NE received an email from Rob Brown from Congresswoman Michelle Fischbach's office about a possible meeting to discuss the City. NE to respond with topics of potential discussion and determine best way to discuss.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- SG presented a quote from Quality Flow for replacement of a sanitary sewer air release valve in the amount of \$4,980.00, plus additional for a vac truck. **Motion:** by JS to proceed with the replacement as quoted. Second by PF. All in favor.
- SG presented a quote from Midwest Playscapes for inspection and repair of the playground slide in the amount of \$695.00. **Motion:** by AF to have them redo the slide to make it flow correctly and be secure up to a maximum of \$5000. If over, then bring back to council next month. Second by JS. All in favor.
- SG talked with Curt Bussler about backup mowing. He was quoted \$60 per hour. Council agreed to use Curt Bussler for the week that Scott is on vacation and see how it goes. SG to obtain a Certificate of Insurance.
- There is a maple tree by the east field that has died and needs to be removed. Council ok with removal.
- During the process of removing a tree and stump, the curb stop at 305 1st Street NE was damaged and needs to be repaired. SG has contact Litzau's to come and repair. Cost will be the responsibility of homeowner as the curb stop was located prior to the removal actions.

CLERKS REPORT:

- GS advised the MN State Demographic Center sent out its annual population and household estimates. It states a population of 323 and 131 households. That is a three person decrease in population from the 2024 estimate; households remained the same.
- GS attended the first election meeting today and provided a short report. The filing period for candidates on the November ballot is July 14-July28. The positions held by NE, PF, and KS will be up for election.

OTHER:

none

Motion: by AF to adjourn meeting. Second by JS. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Neil Engelmann
Mayor

Gerri Scott
Clerk/Treasurer