City of Echo Special City Council Meeting

June 30th, 2025

6:00 pm Echo Community Center

The special city council meeting of the City of Echo was called to order by Mayor Dan Remmele

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Dan Remmele, Wyatt Bendix, Mark Schettler, Dan Larsen, Darren Gjerset, Bryan Nielsen, Brian Pitzl.

Others Present: Shannon Sweeney; David Drown Associates, Paul Jurek, Laura Ostlie: Bollig Engineering

Old Business: The Echo City Council met to acquire information on the expansion of the TIF district in the city. Shannon Sweeney was present to inform the council that the city would need to identify and implement an infrastructure scope and the boundaries of the TIF district need to be modified to incorporate the project areas. Tax Increment can only be spent for the benefit of eligible properties located within a TIF District. The city has until April 26, 2027, to decide on where the funds will be used. Paul Jurek presented the council with the project scope with cost estimates through several possibilities for what the city may be interested in doing. The council discussed having the storm sewer inspected to see what condition they are in and see if that would need to be replaced or repaired before any street repair would be done, which the city is most interested in using the TIF finances for. Laura Ostlie was present to provide other funding options to cover costs that would exceed the allocated TIF funds the city will receive. Options include property assessments, Small Cities Development Program and USDA Loans. The council will wait to see what the outcome of the storm sewer inspection is to make any decisions moving forward.

New business:

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Councilman Larsen, Seconded by Councilman Gjerset. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Remmele, Mayor

Brian Pitzl, Clerk/Treasurer