

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Matt Montgomery; Council Members Ryan Jeppesen, Chad Johnson, Diane Johnson, Laura Kronenberger, and Lisa Zimmerman; Council Member Chris Nobach was absent. Also present were Jon Radermacher, City Administrator; Shelley Ryan, City Attorney; Sara Peer, City Clerk; Jed Petersen, Public Works Director; and Jeffrey McCormick, Police Chief.

- Call to Order Mayor Montgomery called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Roll Call Roll call was conducted. Mayor Montgomery and Council Members Jeppesen, C. Johnson, D. Johnson, Kronenberger, and Zimmerman were in attendance.
- Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Montgomery led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of Agenda A motion was made by Council Member Zimmerman, seconded by Council Member C. Johnson and unanimously carried, to approve the Agenda as presented.
- Public Input There was no public input.
- Consent Agenda
- A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending June 26, 2025
 - B. Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2025, City Council Meeting
- A motion was made by Council Member Jeppesen, seconded by Council Member D. Johnson and unanimously carried, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
- Council Business:
Text Amendment for
Data Centers as
Conditional Use
- City Administrator Radermacher provided background information and reviewed a request to amend the City Code to allow data centers as a conditional use. He stated that, if the Council approves moving the process forward, ordinance language will be drafted to define data center uses and establish the conditions through which these uses would be allowed in certain zoning districts. He stated that a text amendment would be necessary in order to evaluate the Tract proposal and any future data center proposals.
- Council Member D. Johnson suggested hiring an expert in data center land management to assist with drafting the ordinance language. Administrator Radermacher noted that the City is working

with consultants and other resources to assist with the process of evaluating and managing the Tract proposal.

A motion was made by Council Member Jeppesen to authorize staff to draft a text amendment to allow data centers as a conditional use within the City of Cannon Falls. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kronenberger, a vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously.

Reports:
Council Committees,
Commissions,
Nonprofit
Organizations

There were no reports.

Staff

Public Works Director Petersen referenced activities in preparation for the Cannon Valley Fair. He discussed upcoming mill and overlay projects.

Police Chief McCormick issued a reminder regarding increased traffic during the Cannon Valley Fair. He encouraged residents to contact the Police Department with any concerns during the Fair. He discussed traffic delays and parking restrictions during the 4th of July parade.

Administrator Radermacher discussed the recent League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference in Duluth. He stated that he attended a Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities breakfast meeting during the conference, during which legislative updates were provided and housing initiatives were discussed. He also summarized an educational session that he attended on the topic of civic engagement in rural communities.

Administrator Radermacher reported that a budget work session has tentatively been scheduled on July 15.

Mayor and Council
Members

The Mayor and Council Members wished everyone a fun and safe Independence Day celebration.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member D. Johnson, seconded by Council Member Zimmerman and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 15th day of July, 2025.

Matt Montgomery, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jon Radermacher, City Administrator

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