

A regular meeting was held in person and virtually with the meeting originating at City Hall, Canby Minnesota on May 19th, 2026, at 6pm.

Members: Marisa Kack, Susan Cram, Rick Bueltel, Diana Fliss

Absent: Nancy Bormann

Visitors: Bonnie Merritt, City Administrator
Thalia Sik, Administrative Secretary
Gerald Boulton, City Attorney
Josh Van Klompenburg
Sheila Krohse
John Meyer

Virtually Attending:
None

The regular Council meeting was called to order.

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Kack and seconded by Cram to approve the agenda as presented. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Tax Abatement Public Hearing was opened.

The council minutes from the May 5th meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Bueltel and seconded by Kack to approve the minutes. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Sheila Krohse was present to discuss the seal coating project. This project also included crack sealing, and a total of 3 bids were received ranging from \$110,130.30 to \$148,744.95. The low bid was submitted by Pearson Bros, Inc. from Hanover, MN. A motion was made by Kack and seconded by Bueltel to award the bid to Pearson Bros, Inc. in the amount of \$110,130.30 with a completion date of August 30th, 2026. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A contract with MacDonald & Mack was reviewed for the renovation of the box office and entry at the Canby Theater. A motion was made by Cram and seconded by Bueltel to approve the contract. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

John Meyer provided an update to the Small Cities Grant project.

Resolution 2026-05-19-1 Approving Property Tax Abatement was reviewed. A motion was made by Cram and seconded by Bueltel to approve the Resolution with the correction of the taxes payable date from 2029 to 2036. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

CITY OF CANBY
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-19-1
RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Canby, Minnesota is authorized under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.1812 through 469.1815, to grant an abatement of all or a portion of the City's property taxes on specified property when the City Council determines that the abatement is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Thane Hacker has requested that the City approve a property tax abatement for certain real property located in the City of Canby and legally described as follows:

Property Address: 1007 Oscar Avenue North, Canby, Minnesota

Parcel Identification Number: 31-550-0205

Legal Description: Attached

WHEREAS, the proposed abatement is intended to assist with development, redevelopment, housing, commercial, industrial, infrastructure, or other eligible public purpose improvements on the property; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed abatement will serve a public purpose by encouraging private investment, increasing or preserving the tax base, improving property conditions, supporting community development, and promoting the general welfare of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the expected public benefits to the City are at least equal to or greater than the cost of the proposed abatement; and

WHEREAS, the City has provided notice and held a public hearing on the proposed abatement as required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.1813, subdivision 5; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the proposed abatement and finds that approval of the abatement is in the best interests of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANBY, MINNESOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Approval of Abatement.

The City Council hereby approves a property tax abatement for the property identified above, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Resolution and any related abatement agreement.

2. Amount and Term.

The abatement shall apply only to the City's share of property taxes generated by the property. The abatement shall not exceed \$ 5,500.00 per year and shall not exceed \$ 44,000.00 in total over the term of the abatement. The abatement shall be for a period of 8 years, beginning with taxes payable in 2028 and ending with taxes payable in 2036, unless terminated earlier under the terms of this Resolution or an abatement agreement.

3. Limitation of Abatement.

The abatement shall not include taxes imposed by the County, School District, State of Minnesota, special taxing districts, or any other taxing jurisdiction. The abatement shall apply only to taxes legally eligible for abatement under Minnesota law.

4. **Payment of Taxes Required.**

The property owner shall remain responsible for timely payment of all property taxes when due. The abatement may be paid only after the City has received the applicable tax settlement and verified compliance with all conditions of approval.

5. **Conditions of Approval.**

The abatement is conditioned upon the property owner completing the proposed improvements, maintaining the property in compliance with applicable laws and ordinances, paying all property taxes when due, and satisfying any additional requirements contained in an abatement agreement approved by the City.

6. **Public Purpose Findings.**

The City Council finds that the abatement is in the public interest because it will encourage development or redevelopment, increase or preserve the tax base, improve property conditions, support housing or business activity, and promote the general economic welfare of the City.

7. **Authorization to Execute Documents.**

The Mayor and City Administrator are authorized to execute any abatement agreement and related documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

8. **Effective Date.**

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Canby, Minnesota, this 19th day of May 2026.

CITY OF CANBY, MINNESOTA

By: _____
Acting Mayor

Attest: _____
City Administrator

Councilmember _____ introduced the foregoing resolution and moved its adoption.

Councilmember _____ seconded the motion.

The following voted in favor: _____

The following voted against: _____

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

The Tax Abatement Public Hearing was closed.

The Canby Airport Hat Daze event was discussed. Due to it being an off year for the airshow, there was interest in planning an event to help fill the void on June 21st. This event would consist of food trucks, free kites, and airplane rides. After discussion, a motion was made by Bueltel and seconded by Cram to support and fund this event up to \$1,000.00. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

An outdoor dance permit for Heroes was reviewed. A motion was made by Kack and seconded by Cram to approve the outdoor dance permit with the approval of blocking off a section of Haarfager following the parade for the band. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A temporary liquor license application was received by Remington Ridge Vineyard for July 23rd-July 25th. A motion was made by Bueltel and seconded by Kack to approve the application with an updated liquor liability certificate to be provided due to the current certificate provided expiring on July 17th. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

An administrator's report was provided.

A CLEO for the Canby Police Department was discussed. A motion was made by Bueltel and seconded by Cram to approve Casey Namken to be assigned as the CLEO with the Minnesota POST Board. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Police Chief position was discussed. A motion was made by Kack and seconded by Bueltel to begin advertising this position following the salary range of the current LELS Union contract. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Bueltel and seconded by Kack to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Diana Fliss, Acting Mayor

Bonnie Merritt, City Administrator