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MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
CITY OF BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
February 10th, 2026 at 6:45 PM

MISSION STATEMENT

The Birchwood Village City Council is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all residents by fostering a safe, inclusive, and thriving community. We are committed to responsible governance and transparent decision-making. Through collaboration with residents, businesses, and local organizations, we strive to improve public services and infrastructure while preserving the unique character of our city. Our goal is to make Birchwood Village a better place to live and grow for generations to come.

MEMBERS:

Jennifer Arsenault, Mayor
Bridget Sperl, Council
Kathy Weier, Council
Ryan Eisele, Council
Ryan Hankins, Council

CALL TO ORDER 6:45 PM MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ALL PRESENT

PUBLIC FORUM

APPROVE AGENDA

AGENDA Motion to Approve as Added*/Moved/Amended: 1Sperl, 2Sperl, AA

1. Senator Gustafson Presentation on 2026 Legislative Session and priorities.
2. *Discussion of City-Statement concerning recent Federal surge of enforcement in Minnesota. A Statement was provided and approved for publication. 1Weier,Sperl2; AA
3. Discussion of Washington County Historical Society 'QR-Coded Lake-History Project'* (Arsenault)(pp1-2) Council approved concept, generally, Mayor to extend that message to Society.
4. Discussion of the future of targeted deer hunts in Birchwood (Weier) No interest for now for it.
5. Discussion of Lake Links Birchwood Project Plans/Expenditures* (Sperl)(pp3) Motion to approve the expenditures as indicated; 1Hankins, 2Weier, AA
6. Discussion of Proposed City Data Retention Policy* (Sperl)(pp4-6) Motion to Approve the Content and Retention Policy for the City Website/Digital Content Policy, 1Weier, 2Eisele; AA
7. *Discussion and Approval of resident-members of Community Engagement and Events Committee (Arsenault):
Nan Drews, Jane Wernet, Ashley Belisle, Shelly Ross and Jamie Eisele. Motion to Approve Slate of Residents, 1Sperl, 2 Hankins; AA
8. *Discussion and possible approval of budget to replace floor covering in kitchen at Village Hall. (Arsenault) Motion to approve budget of \$500.00 for Village Hall kitchen and facilities updates. 1Hankins, 2Eisele; AA

* Denotes item that supporting documentation will be provided

9. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approve December 6 & 13th, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes*(7-10)
- b. Approval of January 2026 Treasurer's Report*(additional claims added from 2/9/26)(11-20)
[Moved with additions: Hankins, Eisele2, AA](#)
- c. Approve Techie Dudes Bid Package for Office Upgrades*(21-24)
- d. Approve Fire Services Contract Changes*(25-27)

[Motion to approve consent agenda including additional claims added 2/9/26, 1Weier, 2SPerl; AA](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. The City Council will meet again as scheduled on March 10th, 2026.
- 2. Tennis Sanitation Recycling Annual-Report*(28-35)
- 3. Tennis Sanitation Recycling Quarterly-Report*(36)
- 4. Washington County Sheriff's Update*(37-39)
- 5. And finally: National Toast Day: Thursday February 26, 2026 for those who celebrate.* (40-41)

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[So-moved at 8:10PM: 1 Hankins,2Eisele;AA](#)