

**City of Dexter
Minutes
April 6, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Dexter City Council was held on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dexter city hall. Council members present: Mayor Justin Forthun and council members Casey Erwin, Tim Taylor and Christian Padilla. Diane O'Connor absent. Others present: Justin and Lisa Bushaw and Natalie Carroll.

Forthun brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Justin and Lisa Bushaw were at the meeting requesting a variance to allow for a pole-type accessory building to be built on a vacant lot in South Side Addition. The size of the structure will be no larger than 2,048 sq feet. The Dexter Zoning ordinance does not allow for an accessory building to be placed on a lot where there is no primary structure. Motion by Padilla and second by Erwin to hold a public hearing for a variance to the Dexter Zoning Ordinance. All yeas. Motion carried. Public hearing to be held on Monday, May 4, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dexter city hall.

Motion by Erwin and second by Padilla to pay the April bills and to accept the March minutes and financial statements as presented. All yeas. Motion carried.

Council discussed an ordinance violation letter that was sent to the property owner at 133 North Main Street. Erwin said there has been some improvement made. Motion by Padilla and second by Taylor to send a second violation letter due to the property not fully being in compliance with the city's junk ordinance. All yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Forthun informed council of a plugged storm sewer on East Maple Street. The storm sewer was cleaned out. Council discussed having the storm sewer televised as there have been issues with it in the past.

Council discussed the 2026 tower reconstruction project. A bid opening was held on Monday, April 6 at 11:00 am. A total of five qualified bids were received. Bids received were as follows:

1. Tankso, Inc	Base Bid \$310,000	Alternate Bid \$538,500
2. Viking Industrial Painting	Base Bid \$362,100	Alternate Bid \$708,700
3. TMI Coatings, Inc	Base Bid \$397,000	Alternate Bid \$785,500
4. Central Tank Coatings, Inc	Base Bid \$546,500	Alternate Bid \$700,750
5. Classic Protective Coatings, Inc	Base Bid \$586,200	Alternate Bid \$1,120,575

The engineers estimate for the project was a Base Bid of \$350,000 with an Alternate Bid of \$700,000. Engineering fees were not included in the bid.

KLM recommended that the city council award the bid to Tankso, Inc who was the low bidder. KLM stated that they have had positive experiences working with Tankso on previous projects. Motion by Padilla and second by Taylor to accept the Alternate bid of \$538,500 from Tankso, Inc. All yeas. Motion carried. Clerk will contact KLM with the award information.

The Alternate bid price will include exterior abrasive blast and coating and containment; interior and exterior painting; cap replacement; replacing 8" fill pipe and misc. updates to meet OSHA standards.

Motion by Padilla and second by Erwin to adjourn the meeting. All yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Natalie Carroll
Clerk