The Tripoli City Council held a regular council meeting on Monday September 15, 2025, @ 6:00 PM at Tripoli City Hall with Mayor Kalkbrenner and City Clerk Shianne Schlitter presiding. Kip Ladage, Jim Schutte, Sam Cannegieter, Tyler Shonka, Jon Biedermann, Bob Brunkhorst and Mark Manson were present. Amanda Strain, with the Tripoli Leader, was present.

Mayor Kalkbrenner called the meeting to order with a roll call. Boldt, Christensen, Carlson and Ott were present. Blasberg was absent.

Motion Boldt second Ott to approve the agenda. AA MC

Motion Ott second Boldt to approve consent agenda. AA MC

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Pending Claims $172,044.88

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The Hub Bar & Grill Liquor License

Discussion was held by Kip Ladage regarding the EMS shortage Tripoli is facing due to an injury of their top respondent. Ladage provided call history, a list of current EMS members call response history and asked for assistance financially while they navigate this shortage.

Motion Carlson second Ott to approve the liquidation of Ambulance CD’s to temporarily go towards the hiring of an EMT/Paramedic for Tripoli, to be reviewed in 90 days. AA MC.

Motion Carlson second Ott to approve the renewal of all CD’s maturing on September 18th excluding the ambulance CD’s. AA MC.

Jon Biederman with Fehr Graham gave a project update stating soil conditions have been better than expected, leading to a significant decrease in project costs. Biederman shared that underground work is mostly completed, and the crew will continue working on curb and gutter, sidewalks and concrete work.

Mark Manson questioned why some sidewalks were not extended to the South. Biederman stated since it was too steep, it wouldn’t have been up to ADA compliance, therefore they eliminated those sidewalks since there was an alternative route available.

Motion Boldt second Christesen to approve the second pay estimate for the 2025 Street Project in the amount of $132,853.17. AA MC.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Staff Updates:**

Tyler Shonka gave a Public Works update that included painting school crossings, lead and copper testing, PFAS samples, cleaning the library gutters, street sweeping and changing out pool sand filters, as well as managing multiple contractors in town.

Kalkbrenner mentioned a pipeline training that will be help in Cresco, October 8th, and invite council to join.

Carlson asked about creating a “flower fund” for get well tokens for members who serve the City.

Schlitter shared that Black Hawk Memorial was unable to do a memorial token for Kesler Schulmeister on the rocks we had previous hoped, so we will have to have a new memorial idea or new rocks.

Motion Ott second Christensen to adjourn at 6:54 pm.

**Upcoming Meetings**

Regular Council Meeting Monday, 10/6/2025 at 6 p.m.

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Dan Kalkbrenner – Mayor   Shianne Schlitter – City Clerk/Treasurer