

Wykoff City Council Meeting
Special Meeting
May 5, 2026

A special meeting was held in the Council Room at 106 Gold St. N. on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Attendees included: Mayor Breckenridge, Jeff Hare, Barb Fate, Jane Baker. Absent: Missy Musel. Also, present City Administrator, Becky Schmidt.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Breckenridge.

Agenda:

1. Purchase and approval of new fire truck.
2. Approval of proceeding with USDA Loan Application.

Council member Fate opened the discussion asking if the purchase of a new fire truck is a need or a want. Fireman Bremseth replied that it is both a need and a want. Bremseth stated the current equipment is very old and needs more repairs, which are costly.

Council member Hare reminded everyone that the funds for the new fire apparatus are being paid out of the gambling proceeds. The money is not coming from city tax dollars. City Administrator Schmidt explained that the gambling funds are split 75/25 with 25% going towards the fire department budget and the remaining 75% goes into the restricted 406 truck fund.

Firemen Wade Baker and Mike Lund traveled to Texas and investigated the 2020 Sutphen Rescue Pumper the Fire Department is seeking to purchase. Baker named several repairs that would be needed on the salvaged truck. He estimated \$50,000 would cover the cost of all repairs. Current owner of the firetruck lowered the price \$75,000 to cover the repair expenses.

Shipping expenses and insurance enroute are included in the purchase price of \$325,000.

Baker was unsure if the new truck was certified.

The council commended the fire department stating the department has been financially responsible in seeking out a used truck with low miles. Schmidt recommended 100% of gambling dollars be transferred to the 406-fund going forward to pay the loan stating that the fire department will have to have some cutbacks to cover the loss of the income into the fire department budget. At this time the city will place a down payment of \$150,000 which will come out of the restricted truck fund. The \$250,000 loan will pay the remaining balance of \$175,000, use \$50,000 for improvements and upfitting the new truck. The

remaining \$25,000 will go back into the restricted truck fund to cover the first payments on the truck because it was not budgeted in 2026.

Schmidt informed the council that purchasing a new fire truck for the city of Wykoff needs to be published 10 days prior to loan closing.

**CITY OF WYKOFF
COUNTY OF FILLMORE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
#2026-8**

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO ISSUE A GENERAL OBLIGATION
EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATE NOTE, SERIES 2026A**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 412.301 authorizes the issuance of equipment certificates within existing debt limits for the purpose of purchasing capital equipment; and

WHEREAS, the statute also provides that if the amount of the equipment certificates to be issued to finance such equipment exceeds 0.25% of the market value of taxable property in the city, excluding money and credits, the equipment certificates shall not be issued for at least ten days after publication in the official newspaper of the city of a council resolution determining to issue the equipment certificates; and, if before the end of that time, a petition asking for an election on the proposition signed by voters equal to ten percent of the number of voters at the last regular municipal election is filed with the City Clerk, equipment certificates shall not be issued until the proposition of their issuance has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the question at a regular or special election; and

WHEREAS, the council contemplates issuing equipment certificates for said purpose in an amount which exceeds 0.25% of the market value of taxable property in the city, excluding money and credits; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Wykoff (the "City"), as follows:

1. Necessity to Issue Equipment Certificates. It is necessary and expedient for the city council to issue general obligation equipment certificates, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 412.301. The amount of the overall Note allocated to financing the acquisition of a fire truck and associated equipment for the City will be \$250,000.
2. Equipment Certificates in Excess of 0.25% of Market Value. The amount of equipment certificates is hereby determined and declared to be in excess of 0.25% of the market value of the City, excluding money and credits.

3. Publication of Resolution and Days to Lapse Before Equipment Certificates are Issued. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to publish this resolution in the City's official newspaper and at least ten days shall elapse after publication before the equipment certificates may be issued.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

/s/ Rebecca Schmidt

City Clerk

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
CITY OF WYKOFF)
COUNTY OF FILLMORE) SS.

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Wykoff, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of an extract of minutes of a meeting of the City Council duly called and held, as such minutes relate to calling for a public hearing on the necessity to issue equipment certificates.

Dated May 5th, 2026

City Administrator

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Breckenridge-Yes

Barb Fate-Yes

Jeff Hare-Yes

Jane Baker-Yes

Missy Musel-Absent

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

City Administrator _____ Date of Approval _____