



**TOWN OF St. JOHN**  
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**MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2026\***

Mayor Webb called the meeting to order. Councilmembers Bezdicek, Blumenshein, Harrison, Howard, and Smick, and Public Works Steve Gibson attended. Councilmember Blumenshein took notes in the clerk's absence.

The February 23, 2026, meeting minutes were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for review and discussion. Bezdicek moved, Harrison seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of the Council.

CL# 16201-16212 & EFT's	\$ 12,708.87
PR# EFT's	\$ 3,563.68

Whitman County Landfill Spring Clean-up days are April 10-18. It is not in the budget to supply a dumpster and metal disposal container, but we will let the residents know. This may be a note in the next utility bill or ad on channel 8.

A complaint by Judy Hergert was relayed to the council about the music being played at her neighbor's garage. It was stated, "24/7 that music is blaring at all hours." A phone call was made to the resident, and a message was left to ask that they be neighborly and make sure the music is off by 10 PM and played at normal volume during the day. A letter was also sent to the resident stating the same. These actions were acknowledged by the council, and no further action is needed at this time.

Demolition and Doughnuts is scheduled for Monday, March 16. The council was invited to this ceremonial event to mark the beginning of the Brownfield Cleanup.

A new Floodplain ordinance will be needed once the Critical Areas Ordinance is updated. The council will wait for further instructions from Kimley Horn.

A congressional funding application has been initiated by the Port of Whitman for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This funding is not guaranteed and requires a 20% match. Once the application period is complete and if funding is awarded, the council will discuss the options.

The Conservation District would like to do some work on the alleyway/parking area between the Post Office and its building. It is possible that when the town does another road project, it could include this area as part of the construction. Reaching out to the new owners of the Post Office building may be an option, so all three entities can share the cost.

There is a FEMA Floodplain training from May 4-7. This will be attended by either Steven or Shani.

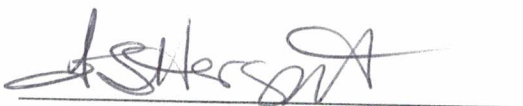
A thank you from the St John FFA chapter was read.

Thank you to Reagan and Mike for installing the new light over the Veterans Tree.

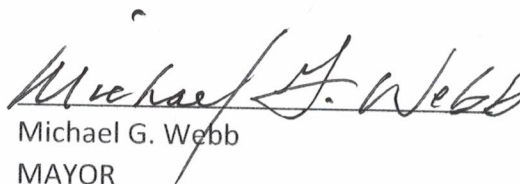
A letter was written for the hospital in support of the new medical clinic/pharmacy.

Discussion ensued about the City Clerk working Monday through Thursday. The council was not opposed to the new work schedule, but additional discussion is needed.

With no further comments requested, Mayor Webb moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:10 PM.



F. Shani Hergert  
CLERK-TREASURER



Michael G. Webb  
MAYOR

\*Notes taken by Lisa Blumenshein, typed by Hergert