

CITY OF HINTON
COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2026
5:30 P.M.

Mayor Kelly Kreber called the January 8, 2026 City Council meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Council members present were Justin Mohning, Jeff Felts, Bill Van Eldik, Ryan Weber and Jeff Johnson. Also present were Attorney Barry Thompson, Kyle Utech, James Wright, Erin Ludwig, Jeff Harcum, Janet Harcum, Steve Binneboese, Mike Weinrich, Justin Vondrak, Sarah Tracy, Shane Tymkowicz, Shana Hickey, Leonard Hickey, Kevin Held, Brody Spies, Ken Spies, Todd Ummach, and Ian Davis.

AGENDA: Motion to approve by Felts, seconded by Johnson, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no citizen concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Johnson to approve, seconded by Mohning, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

- A. Approval of December 11, 2025 Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Approval of December Bills

IAWA DOT U.S. 75
PROJECT UPDATE: Sarah Tracy and Shane Tymkowicz, representatives from Iowa DOT, presented an update on the U.S. 75 Reconstruction Project and discussion was held.

Sarah Tracy and Shane Tymkowicz left the meeting at 5:50 P.M.

RESOLUTION #1196
ENVIRONMENTAL
REVIEW OF THE
PROPOSED WATER
TREATMENT PLANT: Motion by Felts to open hearing, seconded by Van Eldik, all aye, motion carried.

There were no written or oral objections.

Ian Davis with McClure Engineering presented the environmental review of the proposed water treatment plant and provided an update on the project. Discussion was held.

Motion by Weber to close the hearing, seconded by Mohning, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Felts to accept and the Mayor sign the environmental review of the proposed water treatment plant and water main project, seconded by Mohning, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Leonard Hickey, Shana Hickey, and Ian Davis left the meeting at 6:15.

APPOINTMENTS: The Mayor made the following appointments:

COUNCIL DEPT.: Justin Mohning – Golf Courses, Nuisance Committee
Jeff Felts – Streets & Railroads, Utilities
Jeff Johnson – Mayor Pro-Tem, Scholarship Rep., Plymouth County EMA-alternate, Nuisance
Bill Van Eldik – Plymouth County Conference Board-alternate, Parks, Personnel Committee, Buildings

Ryan Weber – SIMPCO-alternate, Personnel Committee, Plymouth County Solid Waste
Kelly Kreber – SIMPCO, WIMECA Director, Plymouth County Conference Board, Plymouth County EMA

**CLERK, ATTORNEY
AND STAFF:**

Kelli Hill – City Clerk
Barry Thompson & Chad Thompson – City Attorney
Kyle Utech – WIMECA Manager & Director-alternate, Plymouth County Solid Waste-alternate, Zoning Administrator

Motion to approve the appointments by Johnson, seconded by Felts, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

**ADDITIONAL
APPOINTMENTS:**

BOARD OF APPEALS: Heath Hageman, Jeremy Hoppe, Seth Rohde, and Will Pierson

Motion to approve the appointments by Felts, seconded by Mohning, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

PLANNING & ZONING: Dennis Binneboese, Steve Diediker, Shawn Doran, Amy Fischer, Ken Spies, Terry VanRoekel and Maddison Zeller.

Motion to approve the appointments by Mohning, seconded by Weber, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

E-911 BOARD.:

Christopher Fischer, Ben Hertenstein-alternate.

Motion to approve the appointments by Felts, seconded by Johnson, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

**ORDINANCE #345
AMENDING SECTION
17.14 B(4)a AND
ADDING 17.14 B(4)c
TO THE ZONING
ORDINANCE**

Motion by Felts to introduce the ordinance amending section 17.14 B(4)a and adding 17.14 B(4)c to the Zoning Ordinance Section 17.14 CB District Regulations (Central Business District).

Motion by Johnson to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading of an ordinance, seconded by Felts, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Weber to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mohning. Roll Call: Ayes: Mohning, Johnson, Van Eldik, Felts, and Weber. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

**RESOLUTION #1197
BECK ENGINEERING
HWY 75 UTILITY
PROPOSAL:**

Council reviewed a proposal from Beck Engineering for comprehensive survey and civil design services for the proposed Highway 75 Utility Relocation. Motion by Felts to approve the contract with Beck Engineering for these services and authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Weber, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

**RESOLUTION #1198
TOM KEEHN PROPERTY
DEMOLITION:**

Council reviewed a proposal from National Concrete Cutting for demolition of sheds/garage at the Keehn Property. Motion by Weber to approve the demolition proposal with National Concrete Cutting to demo sheds/garage at the Keehn Property, seconded by Van Eldik. Roll call: Ayes: Van Eldik, Felts, Weber, Mohning, and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION #1199
GOLF COURSE RATES: Motion by Johnson to approve the following rates effective for the 2026 golf season, seconded by Mohning. Roll Call: Ayes: Weber, Mohning, Johnson, Van Eldik, and Felts. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Family Membership - \$700.00
Couples Membership - \$650.00
Single Membership - \$550.00
Student Membership - \$350.00
Cart Storage Gas - \$200.00
Cart Storage Electric - \$230.00
Driving Range - \$150.00
Trail Fee - \$100.00

Week Day
9-hole - \$23.00
18-hole - \$28.00

Weekend
9-hole - \$26.00
18-hole - \$30.00

Cart Rental - \$28.00/\$34.00

RESOLUTION #1200
SUTER SERVICES
AGREEMENT: Motion by Weber to approve signing a maintenance agreement with Suter Services in the amount of \$750 for the period of 12/01/2025-11/30/2026, seconded by Felts. Roll Call: Ayes: Johnson, Van Eldik, Felts, Weber, and Mohning. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION #1201
BUDGETED FUND
TRANSFERS: Motion by Felts to approve \$61,375.00 budgeted fund transfers, seconded by Johnson. Roll Call: Ayes: Felts, Weber, Mohning, Johnson, Van Eldik. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION #1202
TIF TRANSFERS: Motion by Weber to approve \$431,264.16 TIF transfers, seconded by Mohning. Roll Call: Ayes: Mohning, Johnson, Van Eldik, Felts, and Weber. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Jeff Harcum and Janet Harcum left the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

RESOLUTION #1203
MINOR SUBDIVISION
PLAT OF CENTURY
CREEK ESTATES
SECOND ADDITION: Motion by Johnson, seconded by Smith, to accept and approve the minor subdivision plat of D.R.W. Addition. Roll Call: Ayes: Johnson, Smith, Pierson, Weber, Felts. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Steve Binneboese, Mike Weinrich, Kevin Held, Todd Ummach, Brody Spies, and Ken Spies left the meeting at 6:31 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion to go into closed per code section 21.5(1)(i) by Felts, seconded by Weber. Roll Call: Ayes: Felts, Weber, Mohning, Johnson, and Van Eldik. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0, 6:31 P.M.

Motion to exit closed session by Weber, seconded by Felts. Roll Call: Ayes: Mohning, Johnson, Van Eldik, Felts, and Weber. Nays: None. Motion carried 5-0, 7:04 P.M.

TERMINATION: Motion by Felts to terminate Erin Ludwig due to violation of the City of Hinton's Personnel Manual. Motion died for lack of second.

Erin Ludwig and Justin Vondrak left the meeting at 7:10 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Weber, seconded by Mohning, to adjourn at 7:30 P.M., all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Kelli Hill, City Clerk

Kelly Kreber, Mayor

REVENUES

COURT FINES	\$ 158.22
MISC REVENUES – POLICE	15.00
BUILDING PERMITS	700.00
PROPERTY TAXES	5,582.51
COMMUNITY HALL RENT	1,550.00
MISC REVENUE – GENERAL	699.60
ROAD USE	10,375.46
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,493.52
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	24,175.87
TIF REVENUE	8,756.16
DEBT SERVICE	1,602.98
WATER	31,090.59
SEWER	7,292.20
ELECTRIC	124,005.79
GARBAGE	10,194.09
GOLF COURSE	9,478.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 237,169.99

EXPENDITURES

3D AG SERVICES	METER SOCKET	\$ 1,089.25
BEER ON FLOYD	ALCOHOL	218.70
BLACKSTRAP INC.	SALT	2,782.00
CALE DAVIS	MILEAGE	145.20
CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCD	GAS	1,107.11
CASEY'S GENERAL STORES	ALCOHOL	163.48
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	65.53
CINTAS LOC 749	SUPPLIES	441.52
CONWAY JAMES	CELL PHONE	50.00
CSI, LLC	COMPUTER SERVICES	599.00

EAGLE RIDGE CORPORATE	BENEFITS PACKAGE	540.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	CARTRIDGES	364.50
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	12,154.76
ELECTRIC GROSS REVENUE	ELECTRIC	2,015.64
ELECTRIC PUMP	BOOSTER CHECK VALVE	5,000.00
EPAY-WITHHOLDING	STATE TAX	684.48
ERIN LUDWIG	CELL PHONE	111.60
ETHAN BEHRENS	ACCESSORIES REIMBURSEMENT	101.60
FAREWAY STORES	FOOD	121.55
GLAZER'S DISTRIBUTORS	BEER	369.85
HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICAL	869.32
HILL KELLI	0126STMNT	50.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	137.16
IA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DIV	ALCOHOLIC BEV LICENSE	732.88
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	ON LINE WARRANTS SYSTEM	300.00
IA UTILITIES BOARD	ASSESSMENT	1,939.47
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	57.60
IPERS	IPERS REGULAR	2,614.85
IPERS-POLICE	IPERS PROTECTED	1,412.19
JACKS UNIFORMS	BADGES	312.00
JOHNSON, LOGAN	CELL PHONE	50.00
KUCHEL ROOFING	HAIL CONTRACT 2025	12,280.00
L & L DISTRIBUTING	BEER	521.22
LINCOLN NAT'L LIFE	INSURANCE	679.48
MARTIN BROS	GC FOOD	2,322.50
MCCLURE ENGINEERING	WATER TREATMENT PLANT 12/27/25	14,738.75
MENARDS-SIOUX CITY	PARTS	114.35
METRO ELECTRIC, INC.	HINTON LIFT STATION GENERATOR	28,450.00
MHCLEAN PROFESSIONAL CLEA	CLEANING SERVICES	540.00
MIA FLECKENSTEIN	CELL PHONE	50.00
MICROSOFT	MICROSOFT 365 PERSONAL	106.99
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	576.03
MIDWEST CONSTRUC RENTALS	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	982.25
NW IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	DUES	25.00
PLYMOUTH COUNTY SOLID WAS	LANDFILL CHARGES	4,658.08
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	715.26
PRESTO X CO.	PEST CONTROL	140.41
SAM'S CLUB	GC FOOD/BEVERAGES	1,442.57
SOUTH RIDGE PUBLISHING	PUBLISHING	47.18
THEIN WELL	ANNUAL INSPECTION PUMPS & WELL	215.00
VISA	ENVELOPES WITH STAMPS	2,291.02
WELLMARK B/C & B/S OF IA	INSURANCE	11,268.07
WESCO	TAGS	1,311.50
WIMECA	POWER	66,531.34

WRIGHT JAMES	CELL PHONE	50.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	<u>37,552.51</u>
 CLAIMS TOTAL		\$ 224,210.75
 GENERAL FUND		\$ 46,285.53
ROAD USE TAX FUND		13,267.76
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND		435.25
WATER FUND		22,608.36
SEWER FUND		29,632.65
ELECTRIC FUND		88,589.82
GARBAGE FUND		4,658.08
GOLF COURSE FUND		<u>18,733.30</u>
		\$ 224,210.75