

The Stanhope City Council met in Regular Session June 9, 2026, at the Stanhope Community Building starting at 6:01 p.m. Mayor Jeff Schroeder called the meeting to order with Council Members: Jill Haman, Devin Hensley, Beau Jensen and Tom Stupp present, Grant Young was absent.

Members of the public present: Gary Northrop, Michaeline Acker, Gary Green, Linda Jennings, Peggy Phipps, Linda Jennings, Roger & Polly Hayes, Public works – Tim Dally, Paul Block, Keith Bockoven, Erma Bockoven, Dianna Patterson, Maeve Danielson, Vickie Anderson and Brad Anderson.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the agenda for June 9, 2026

Approval of City Council minutes of May 12, 2026

Approval for the payment of claims.

Approval of the financial reports for the period of 5/1/26-5/30/26 and 5/1/2026 – present day

Hensley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Jensen. All in favor 4 – 0. Motion Carried.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, REQUESTS:

- None

GENERAL AGENDA

- 1. Wins & Recognition:** City Clerk Young thanked all council members and Mayor Schroeder for being supportive and actively working together for the town. Hensley thanked Gary Green for moving the benches and picnic tables to the Depot for the Food Truck Fridays and congratulated Envision Stanhope on their success. Jill Haman thanked community volunteers, Chuck Clabaugh for installing a new hot water heater at the Shelter in the park and she thanked the Stanhope Lions club for purchasing the water heater. She further thanked Bill Wing for volunteering to mow the park. She thanked the community for the support of the recent Wednesday Night in the Park that was served by the Stanhope Fire & EMS. She thanked Jewell Market, Stanhope Locker and Webster City Custom meats for their contributions towards the meat that was served. Mayor Schroeder thanked Tim Dally, public works for all the work he has put in at the bathrooms in the park. Devin Hensley congratulated the city on the success of the recent Clean Up day; he thanked those who helped Tim and volunteered their time.
- 2. 28E with Hamilton County Sheriff Update:** Mayor Schroeder gave a summary of the most recent EJS Board meeting that he and Council Member Hensley attended. Schroeder explained that the 28E Agreement with Hamilton County is to include daytime coverage because the 28E Agreement with Ellsworth/Jewell/Stanhope Police expires on June 30, 2026. A motion to approve the 28E Agreement with the Hamilton County Sheriff was made by Hensley and seconded by Jensen. Roll call vote: Hensley: Aye, Haman: Nay, Stupp, Aye, Jensen: Aye. 3 – 1 vote. Motion Carried.
- 3. Update on Elliott Building:** Clerk Young stated that she had spoken with City Attorney Zach Chizek and the property owners. The work has been completed and the Notice to Abate with the Hamilton County Court House has been satisfied. The public made comment that the work looks nice and was completed quickly, once demolition started. Clerk Young shared that the Stanhope Librarian, Dee Malmquist obtained some of the bricks from the Bank Building that was demolished and a planter was built at City Hall. Watermelon Seeds have been planted there.

4. **Final invoice for EJS, \$10,7169.75:** Mayor Schroeder stated that this payment was previously approved when the EJS 28E agreement was entered into by a previous council, therefore, a vote to pay was not required.
5. **Lagoon Key – Community Access:** Recently the lock at the Stanhope Lagoon had been replaced. Community member Gary Northrop expressed concern about access during the weekend and after normal business hours. The council decided that they would like to be issued lagoon keys, so they can be contacted on weekends and after hours for citizens of Stanhope to dispose of approved materials at the City Lagoon. The council members will keep track of who they give access to the lagoon and record it in the Clerk’s Office for future reference. Clerk Young reminded everyone that Tim Dally is in charge of the lagoon and he has the final say on if and when items are disposed of at the Lagoon.

ORDINANCES AND OTHER RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES - None

RESOLUTIONS

- **2025 – 2026.16 APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE DISPOSAL OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED IN STANHOPE, IOWA.** A Motion to approve of the Disposal of City Owned Property was made by Hensley and seconded by Stupp. Roll Vote. All in Favor 4 -0. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMITTEE UPDATES / REPORTS

- **Landfill Commission-** Stupp attended the most recent meeting and gave an update
- **Public Safety-Fire/EMS, Police –** Chief Brad Anderson shared that High Visibility jackets have been ordered and should be arriving soon. The new Tornado Siren has arrived and testing will be conducted in the near future.
- **Business Enterprise-** Mayor Schroeder stated that the City needs to do an audit on the Water & Sewer rates in order to raise rates in the future.
- **Building permits-** 2 permits have been approved by the Permit committee.
 1. Grant Young – yard landscaping and flag pole installation
 2. Terry Jacobson – Shed, not affixed to the ground.
- **Park Committee Report –** Schroeder and Jensen spoke of recent bathroom repairs. Discussion about ordering more sand/rock for the ball diamond resulted in Jensen taking ownership for getting this done. Many compliments on the ball diamond have been received.

ADJOURNMENT: Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Haman seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jori Young, City Clerk

Jeff Schroeder, Mayor

June 9, 2026.