The Stanhope City Council met in Regular Session October 13, 2026, at the Stanhope Community Building starting at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Schroeder called the meeting to order with Council Members: Jill Haman, Rob Johnson, Grant Young. Beau Jensen and Devin Hensley were absent.

Members of the public present: Nathan Brockma, Midwest Well Pump, Tim Dally, Public Works, Bob Mc Nally, Kelly Evans, Liquid Logic, Jason Loots, Liquid Logic, Linda Jennings, Peggy Phipps, Paul Block, Jackie Baker, Dorene Geerdes, Michaeline Acker and Gary Green.

***APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA*:**
Approval of the agenda for October 13, 2026
Approval of City Council minutes September 13th & 25th City Council Meetings.
Approval for the payment of claims.
Approval of the financial reports for the period of 9/1/26-9/30/26 and 10/1/2026 – present day
Young made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Haman. All in favor 3 – 0. Motion Carried.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. **Wins & Recognition:** Clerk Young shared a compliment that was received from Marsha Hove. Marsha complimented how nice the lagoon looks. The dirt is level and it's easy for her to dispose of yard refuse. G. Young thanked Michaeline Acker for the success of Food Truck Friday, Envision Stanhope sponsored the event, however Ms. Acker organized all the food trucks and worked tirelessly to ensure that there was a food truck every Friday.
2. **Org Resolution/UMB Credit Card:** A Motion by Haman was made to authorize Clerk Young and Mayor Schroeder as authorized signers and to remove all prior signers. The motion was seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried.
3. **Additional payment on FSB Loan:** Mayor Schroeder stated that the return of $18,829.72 from EJS could be used to pay down the principal on this loan. He asked council to look at the budget and see if there are any additional funds to be applied. G. Young made a motion to move forward with a resolution to make an additional $40,000.00 principal payment, the motion was seconded by Haman. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried.
4. **PTO Generator:** A motion to accept sealed bids on the generator, with a minimum reserve of $4,000.00 was made by G. Young and seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried. Bids mut be received by the City Clerk at the City Office at 600 main St. Stanhope, no later than 4:00 on November 10, 2026.
5. **Application for credit:** A motion was made by Johnson to apply for a line of credit with Interstate Power Supply and was seconded by Young. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried.
6. **Dump Truck:** The sale of the generator should provide the necessary funds to purchase a replacement box for the existing dump truck. The current box is irreparable and has large holes in the metal.
7. **Water Rate Increase:** Kelly Evans spoke to the council and crowd about the process of increasing water rates. The water rates haven't been increased since the water tower project in 2021.
8. **Lift Station (South) update:** Public Works, Tim Dally addressed the council, stating that the pump should have two pumps redundancy. Both pumps are 25 years old. One is not working and needs to be replaced. Nathan Brockma, WMP stated that the life of the pumps, which had been purchased through MWP in 2021 have a life of 25- 30 years. He will get a quote to replace the one pump and the council address replacing it at the next council meeting.
9. **Viking Industrial Painting:** As a follow up to the last council meeting, Johnson and Dally have inspected the facilities. They've spoken to Viking Industrial Painting and all are in agreement that the painting of the interior should wait until Spring/Summer 2027.

10. **Quilt Week Fees:** Mayor Schroeder recognized that Quilt week is a library program and the intent is to bring community together. The week, which is typically 3-days per month has historically been no charge for the quilters. Council discussion centered around proposing $10 per quilter per month. Quilters with the zip code of 50246 would not be assessed the fee. Library president, Jackie Baker addressed the council with concerns that the number of attendees would drop if a fee was assessed. The council and Ms. Baker agreed to not make a motion at this time and allow the library board to meet and come up with a proposal.
11. **TIF Conversation.** Councilman Young led the discussion about establishing TIF districts in Stanhope. Members of the community asked questions that Young answered. A motion to move forward with a Resolution to establish TIF districts was made by Johnson seconded by Young. All in favor 3 – 0 motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

1. **2026-2027.16** A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Certify to The County for Collection For Unpaid Utility Bills. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Johnson and seconded by G. Young. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried.

2. **2026.2027.17** Sale of City Owned Property – PTO Generator. A motion was made by Haman and to approve the resolution and was seconded by G. Young. Roll call vote: 3-0 motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Johnson and seconded by Haman. All in favor 3-0. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:37 pm.
Adjournment.

POSTING

First State Bank, 600 Park Street, Stanhope, Iowa.
United States Post Office, 605 Parker Street, Stanhope, Iowa.
Stanhope Community Center, 600 Main Street, Stanhope, Iowa.
Date of postings: 10/16/26

ATTESTATION

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Jeff Schroeder, Mayor, Stanhope, Iowa

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