

## **Lake City Council Proceedings**

### **January 19, 2026**

These minutes are as recorded by the City Administrator/Clerk and are subject to Council approval at the next regular Council meeting.

The City Council of Lake City, Iowa, met at 5:00 pm for a budget workshop with Mayor Pro Tem Wilson presiding and the following Council members were present – Gorden and Vogt (remotely). Council members Daniel, Bruns, and Mayor Schleisman were not present. Also Present – CA Dorman. Interim CA Douglas (remotely), Chief James, Library Director Hardiman CMB Advisory Board Member Sheffield, and Sheriff Pat Riley.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson initiated the scheduled budget workshop. No formal action was taken. Council discussed the following items with discussion for each:

Staff salaries/wages: Council discussed area community's salaries compared to the City of Lake City's and current cost of living increases. Council indicated support for a 4% wage increase and directed staff to budget for the increase with contingencies in place for when the city receives further information regarding taxable valuations.

Police/Sheriff contract: Council was provided with a budget for the police department that included the proposed sheriff contract amount. Council directed Sheriff Riley to move forward with drafting an official contract to be put in front of the council at a future council meeting.

Funding level for tree removal and community beautification: Council discussed past funding levels for these line items. CA Dorman proposed budget amounts for each. Council indicated support along with the addition of budgeting \$5,000 for sidewalk improvements. These funds would be available to residents upon request and approval to help pay for a portion of sidewalk improvements.

Reserve accounts: CA Dorman presented different departmental needs that may be necessary in the future and asked council to consider setting reserves aside to budget for these future needs and purchases. Council directed staff to continue with the budget process without the reserves and that once a clearer picture of the budget was provided, reserves could be rediscussed.

Water rates: CA Dorman presented a worksheet to the council that showed the current fiscal year's projected deficit in the water fund. Council also reviewed the SRF Water Revenue Bond and the upcoming payments that will need to be supported but the water fund as well. Council directed staff to present different increase proposals for water rates at the next regular council meeting.

Cemetery GIS Proposal – Council reviewed a proposal from Snyder & Associates and discussed the need for an updated GIS Mapping system. Council directed staff to obtain an additional proposal if available and possibly set up further demonstrations for staff and council members.

CMB Advisory Board Member Sheffield discussed the board's request for \$50,000 for tuckpointing services for the community building.

Library Director Hardiman did not have any additional requests from the last budget workshop. She did provide that she addressed the library board regarding cost sharing of the cost of roof replacement. She has not heard a response.

CA Dorman was directed to have Public Works Director Janssen create a priority list for road replacement in city to have for the next budget workshop.

These requests and discussions were provided for staff consideration during budget development and do not represent final budget decisions.

The budget workshop was called for closing at 5:48 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 6:00 pm and the regular session of Council commenced.

Motion by Vogt, second by Gorden to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Agenda, Minutes from the January 5, 2026, Council Meeting, Minutes from the January 5, 2026, Closed Session, December 2025 Treasurer's Report, and the Summary List of Claims. All ayes, nays-none. MC.

Patrick Vanderheiden, on behalf of the LC Betterment, addressed the council. Patrick would like to head a Christmas event in 2026 in the City Square that includes multiple activities for families and people of all ages. Council indicated support and thanked Patrick.

Motion by Gorden, second by Vogt, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 417: The Adoption of an Amended and Restated Plan for the Urban Revitalization Area for the City of Lake City. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Vogt, Gorden, Wilson. Nays-none. MC.

RESOLUTION 2026-5: Authorizing Salary Increase and Retention Bonus for Police Officer. Motion by Gorden, second by Vogt. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Vogt, Gorden, Wilson. Nays-none. MC.

RESOLUTION 2026-6: Approve Seasonal Mowing Contract. Motion by Vogt, second by Gorden. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Vogt, Gorden, Wilson. Nays-none. MC.

RESOLUTION 2026-7: Approving and Removing Authorized Signatories for the City of Lake City. Council tabled this resolution to a later council meeting.

RESOLUTION 2026-8: Changing the City of Lake City's Chart of Accounts. Motion by Vogt, second by Gorden. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Vogt, Gorden, Wilson. Nays-none. MC.

Council reviewed and discussed the monthly report from ISG. MidAmerican has been on site to remove the old electrical service and installed the correct transformer. TJ Electric (subcontractor) has set up temporary power to be utilized throughout the project to keep the existing well powered and poured the equipment pad. CA Dorman provided that an update from ISG earlier in the day explained that Sargent Drilling plans to be on site to begin drilling test wells this Thursday.

Motion by Gorden, second by Vogt to approve Pay Request No. 3 for \$32,319.00 to King Construction for additional electrical work for temporary power. All ayes, nays-none. MC.

Motion by Vogt, second by Gorden to approve CDBG Claim #5 project payment for \$5,971.00 made to King Construction for Pay App #2 and \$1,883.00 made to MIDAS Council of Government for Administrative Services in July 2025, August 2025, September 2025, and October 2025. All ayes, nays-none. MC.

Motion by Vogt, second by Gorden to approve request No. 2 for \$16,145.00 on the SRF operating note for King Construction Pay App #2 and MIDAS administrative expenses. All ayes, nays-none. MC.

CA Dorman advised council that she is signed up for the Municipal Professionals Institute on February 11-13. This is a virtual set of courses.

Chief Jimmy James provided an update on a concern that Council person Wilson had discussed at a past council meeting. The trees at the corner of Edna St and Madison St that were blocking the vision for motorists have been cut back to provide for safer conditions at the intersection.

Chief James also provided that he has interviewed 5 candidates for the reserve officer positions. He has plans to continue the interview process.

Community Building Director Halverson-Streeter provided an update for upcoming events at the Community Building, including the annual Bridal Show that will take place the upcoming Sunday.

With no further business, Vogt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 pm, seconded by Gorden. All ayes, nays-none. MC.

CLAIMS REPORT 12-31-2025 THROUGH 1-16-2026

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	ADMIN COPIER LEASE	\$463.23
ACCO UNLIMITED CORP	LIQUID CHLORINATION	\$601.64

ADVANCED COMMUNICATION SERVICE	TECH SUPPORT	\$491.44
AL'S CORNER OIL COMPANY	FUEL	\$446.21
CALHOUN CO. JOURNAL HERALD	CMB BRIDAL SHOW AD	\$171.00
CALHOUN CO. PHOENIX	LEGALS	\$189.19
CALHOUN CO. SHERIFF	12/23 TO 1/5 REGULAR HOURS	\$6,722.90
CARROLL CO. SOLID WASTE	RECYCLING FEES	\$125.48
CENGAGE LEARNING - GALE	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$322.52
COMMUNITY OIL FLEET PROGRAM	FUEL	\$1,198.87
CRIMMINS & KEHM LAW FIRM	LEGAL-NUISANCE	\$462.50
CRYSTAL CLEAR WINDOWS	CITY HALL WINDOWS	\$225.00
DON'S PEST CONTROL	COMMUNITY BUILDING	\$52.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$3,854.50
FELD FIRE	LIBRARY MAINTENANCE	\$400.00
I & S GROUP, INC.	WELL NO. 6 & 7 PROJECT	\$3,647.70
IMWCA	WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$1,242.00
INFINITY TRUST	VISION INSURANCE	\$258.95
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	LIBRARY MATERIALS	\$393.19
KELLY LUMBER CO.	PARK SUPPLIES	\$150.20
KING CONSTRUCTION	WELL NO 6 & 7 PROJECT PYMT #3	\$32,319.00
LAKE CITY HARDWARE, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$1,770.65
M&S DAISY HAULING	DEC 25 CITY HALL GB	\$350.00
MID IOWA INSURANCE	INSURANCE	\$118,019.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	UTILITIES	\$6,367.24
MIDAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	JULY 25 CDBG SERVICES	\$1,883.00
MORROW'S STANDARD SERVICE	MONTHLY EXPENSES	\$846.49
NAPA AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	\$140.14
PARTY PRODUCTIONS	CMB BRIDAL SHOW SUPPLIES	\$374.00
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$78.00
REGION XII COUNCIL OF GOVERNME	NUISANCE	\$130.00
RELIANCE	LIFE INSURANCE	\$80.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	WATER TEST	\$686.50
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES & WET TAX	\$2,525.08
TS ELECTRIC	WEST SIGN ELECTRIC WORK	\$541.00
VESTIS	RUGS	\$74.07
WEBSTER-CALHOUN COOP	TELEPHONE / INTERNET	\$688.35
Accounts Payable Total		\$188,291.04
Payroll Checks		\$16,990.10
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$205,281.14