

REGULAR MEETING WITH A PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting with a Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 6:30 P.M. at Sabula City Hall, 411 Broad Street, Sabula, Iowa.

The meeting was open to the public in City Hall.

Present: Mayor Curtis Johnson, Mike O'Hara, Jeremy Diercks, Erica Shoemaker, and Scott Hibbard. Absent: Dave Ward.

Others present: Lynn Parker, Evan Nixon, Travis Woodhurst, Brittany, Izzy & Everett Lawson, Paul & Michele Figie, Audrey & Deb Thayer, John & Sharon Mangler, Phil Shoemaker, Candi Diercks, Sandra Kempter, Dan & Kristi Johnson, Lisa Hartman, David Rittmer, George Allinger, Curt Marzofka, Dan Peiffer, Ryan Johnson, Nick & Casandra Heiar, and Ashley Johnson.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing

M. O'Hara made a motion to open the public hearing; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes. Motion carried.

Solicitation of comments to Adopt the Budget Amendment for YF25/26 – None received

E. Shoemaker made a motion to close the public hearing; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Council Meeting

M. O'Hara made a motion to open the regular council meeting; seconded by J. Diercks. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deletions – None

Visitors with Business –

BARN OF DREAMS PRESENTATION: A group of active Jackson County 4H youth and their parents presented the mission to raise funds to give back to the youth of Jackson County who exhibit livestock each summer at the Jackson County Fair. Many of the youth exhibit livestock at a local and national level and are raising money for a new Dairy Barn at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. Each speaker explained the need for a new facility. President Ashley Johnson explained that this will benefit all of Jackson County and currently are working with the Jackson County Fair Board and has the approval of the Board of Supervisors to pursue this educational opportunity. The committee is making Sabula aware of this endeavor and are not asking anything from the City at this time, but looking for the possibility of future support as they apply for grant funding. Council thanked all members for their presentation.

Citizen Concerns – None

Consent Agenda

E. Shoemaker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by M. O’Hara. All ayes, motion carried. Items on the consent agenda were: Minutes from 1/27/26, 2/3/26, and 2/10/26. February claims and payroll, and place on file the financial statements and expenditure and revenue report for December and January.

Agenda

Resolution #1380, Budget Amendment FY25-26

M. O’Hara made a motion to approve Resolution #1380, Budget Amendment for FY25-26; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes, motion carried.

Set Public Hearing Date

E. Shoemaker made a motion to set a public hearing date for March 24, 2026 for the FY26-27 Proposed Max Property Tax Levy at 6:30; seconded by J. Diercks. All ayes, motion carried. The Regular meeting will follow at 7.

Special Building Permit

E. Shoemaker made a motion to approve the Special Building Permit for 405 Washington Street; seconded by J. Diercks. Ayes: E. Shoemaker, J. Diercks, and M. O’Hara. S. Hibbard abstained. Motion carried.

Televising Storm Drain Quote

M. O’Hara made a motion to approve a quote from VisuSewer for televising the storm drain; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes. Motion carried. The quote was \$350 per hr. w/ an estimated time of 15 hrs. This CCTV inspection of approximately 400 linear ft of 8” sanitary sewer and approximately 400 linear feet of 18” storm sewer in The City of Sabula Project includes one (1) pass with a jet for light cleaning prior to televising, sonde locating, flash drive, inspection reports with PACP codes, and defect still photos. If needed, heavy cleaning will be quoted separately.

Sidewalk Replacement

E. Shoemaker made a motion to define a required timeline for completion of project and sidewalk replacement by June 1, 2026 at 306 Elk Street. The city council requested clarity to scope of remaining work, a signed letter of indemnification, and that a temporary safe sidewalk be in place; \$750 fines to be issued if requirements are not met; seconded by S. Hibbard. All ayes. Motion carried.

IDOT

M. O'Hara made a motion to proceed with approval from IDOT for a flashing red beacon for HWY 52 stop sign; seconded by S. Hibbard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Easton Valley School Board Meetings

Mayor Johnson informed council that the Easton Valley School Board will be having meetings in Sabula, Miles, and Preston. Each town will take turns hosting the meetings. Sabula will host on May 20th at city hall.

Resolution #1373, Authorized Signers

E. Shoemaker made a motion to approve the revised Resolution #1373 Authorized Signers; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried. Authorized signers now must be either the Mayor/Mayor Pro Tem and Clerk/Deputy Clerk.

Resolution #1379, Early Claims

E. Shoemaker made a motion to approve Resolution #1379, Paying Early Claims; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1382, Establishing Conflict Disclosure and Recusal Procedures

E. Shoemaker made a motion to approve Resolution #1382, Establishing Conflict Disclosure and Recusal Procedures; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Department Reports

A motion was made by M. O'Hara; seconded by E. Shoemaker to place on file the department reports. All ayes. Motion carried. Reports for February included the following: Mayor Report, City Clerk/Utility Billing, Public Works, Fire Department, and Police Department.

Adjournment

J. Diercks made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes. Motion carried.

Curtis Johnson, Mayor

Lynn Parker, City Clerk