November 9, 2026
City Council Meeting Minutes

The November 9th City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hosch, Weber, Delaney, Recker, and Gehl answered roll.

Motion Gehl, second Delaney to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Hosch, second Recker to approve the consent agenda items: City Council Minutes 10/26/26, City Council Work Session Minutes 11/5/26, City Personnel Committee Minutes 10/29/26, Data Center Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 10/28/26, Jones County Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes 9/22/26, Cascade Public Library Minutes 11/5/26, Visa Invoice $3,450.61, 3rd Ave SW & Hayes Street SW Project Update #13 & #14, & November 9, 2026 Claims. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Hosch, Second Gehl, To Untable: Consideration to Discuss Sewer Forgiveness at 127 1st Ave W Up Apartment (Tabled). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Gehl, Second Hosch, To approve Consideration to Discuss Sewer Forgiveness at 127 1st Ave W Up Apartment. Roll Call Vote. Recker, Hosch, Gehl, & Delaney Aye, Weber Nay. Motion Carried.

Motion Delaney, second Hosch to approve Consideration to Approve Resolution #109-26 – Resolution Approving Pay Application #4 For The 3rd Ave SW & Hayes St SW Reconstruction Project. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried

Motion Weber, second Gehl to approve Consideration to Approve Resolution #110-26 – Resolution Approving Change Order #2 to the Connolly Construction Contract For 3rd Ave SW & Hayes St SW Reconstruction Project. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Delaney, second Recker to approve Consideration to Approve Resolution #107-26 – A Resolution Approving the Health Insurance Renewal For January 1, 2027 with Wellmark BC/BS With a 6.68% Increase. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Gehl, second Weber, Consideration to Approve Resolution #106-26 – Resolution To Cancel December 28, 2026 City Council Meeting. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Delaney, second Weber, Consideration to Approve Resolution #108-26 – Resolution Approving the Repair of a Manhole at the Wastewater Plant. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Hosch, second Recker**.** Consideration to Approve Ordinance #10-26 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa By Amending Title VI Physical Environment, Chapter 5 Utilities – Billing Charges, Section 9 Refuse Collection Rates (Second Reading). Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Delaney, second Gehl. Consideration to Approve Ordinance #11-26 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa By Amending Chapter 6-3 Utilities-Water Systems Specifically 6-2-23 Second Water Meters (First Reading). Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Fred Heim thanked the Veterans. Heim also informed Council that Miley will be attending a class on November 20th and possibly an active shooter class in the near future. Fred mentioned that Miley has been doing great job with reporting.

City Administrator Deanna McCusker reminded the council & the public to complete the survey from CMU that came in the mail. McCusker reminded the public we will be continuing to flush hydrants through November 20th. Deanna updated the council that she attended the Jones County Economic Development meeting and will be attending a budget workshop virtually in the office on November 17th. McCusker updated council that she attended the IAMU Risk Management workshop and the safety dividend should be the biggest one to date. The fire comp rate is increasing by 6.5% and building valuations by 4%. Deanna also stated there was discussion on AI and cyber security which we have a policy for but will review the amount of coverage.

Motion Hosch, second Gehl to adjourn at 6:36pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Adam Schuster, City Clerk

Steven J. Knepper, Mayor