

September 14, 2026
City Council Meeting Minutes

The September 14th City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hosch, Weber, Delaney, and Gehl answered roll. Recker attended via phone.

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

Public comments: Several members from the Cascade Concerned Citizens group voiced their concerns with who is on the Data Center Advisory Committee,

Motion Gehl, second Delaney to approve the consent agenda items: City Council Minutes 08/24/26, Park Board Minutes 08/31/26, Personnel Committee Minutes 08/27/26 & 9/2/26, Cascade Public Library Minutes 09/01/26, Cascade Economic Development Corporation Minutes 07/15/26, 3rd Ave SW & Hayes Street SW Project Update #4, #5 and #6, Liquor License Outdoor Service Area for The Corner Taproom for the Sunset Street Market. Liquor License Ownership Change for Caseys, Tobacco License Ownership Change for Caseys, & September 14, 2026 Claims. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Chris Kahle & Jason Conn from The Department of Natural Resources spoke on the proposed updated flood plan for the City of Cascade.

Motion Gehl, second Delaney, Discussion of Date & Time for Trick or Treat for City of Cascade. It was decided to have Trick or Treat on Halloween Night, October 31st from 4-5:30. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion carried.

Motion Weber, second Hosch, Consideration to Approve Resolution #87-26 – Resolution Approving Pay Application No. 2 for the 3rd Avenue SW & Hayes St SW Reconstruction Project. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Weber, second Gehl, Consideration to Approve Resolution #86-26 – Resolution Approving the Hiring of a Part-Time Library Employee. Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Gehl, second Weber, Consideration to Approve Resolution #84-26 – Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Design, Development and Construction of a Public Safety Campus. Roll Call vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion Delaney, second Hosch, Consideration to Approve Resolution #85-26 – Resolution Approving the Appointment of Police Officer Tyler Hunt to Assistant Police Chief. Roll Call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Weber, second Gehl, Consideration to Approve Resolution #88-26 – Resolution Approving a Quote From Eastern Iowa Excavating, LLC for Concrete Patches and Curb Repair. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Gehl, second Hosch, Consideration to Approve Resolution #89-26 – Resolution Approving a Reappointment of a Planning and Zoning Member to Fill Another Term Through September 30, 2029
Roll call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Gehl, second Hosch, Consideration to Approve Resolution #91-26 – Resolution Approving A Competitive Pay Scale For the Cascade Police Department. Roll call vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Hosch, second Delaney, To Table consideration to Approve Resolution #92-26 – Resolution Approving Clarification on Membership, Voting Authority, Quorum, Procedures and Rules For the Data Center Advisory Roll call vote, All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Weber, second Hosch, Discussion on Proposed Vacation of Dillon Street SE. Roll call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Hosch, second Delaney. Consideration to Approve Ordinance #05-26 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa By Amending Chapter 6-3 Utilities – Water Systems Specifically 6-3-23 Second Water Meters (Third Reading). Roll call vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Gehl, second Delaney Consideration to Approve Ordinance #07-26 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa, By Amending Title II Policy and Administration, Chapter 2 Appointment and Qualifications of Municipal Officers. Section 9 Boards and Commissions (First Reading). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Fred Heim reminded citizens that main street will be closed for the Sunset Market from 1:30pm-11pm this Friday, September 18th, from former Pink Pig Building to the stop lights. Fred also reminded citizens of Homecoming next week and for everyone to be extra cautious.

City Administrator provided updates that the automated door on the westside of city hall stopped working again on August 21st. Basepoint came back out and replaced sensor in the push button and main power box, and working great again. Deanna also informed the citizens that their will be a public meeting on Thursday, October 1st at KC Hall from 6-7:30 with Adam Haynes on his proposal. River City paved the parking lot at the Cascade Community Park on Friday, August 28th. Streets in town were seal coated on Monday, August 31st & Tuesday, September 1st. Miller Logging came and ground up the yard waste site on September 8, 2026. CIT Sewer Solutions will be in town beginning September 14th to sewer jet the area to the east of the river to Harrison Street to 4th Ave. SE. Notice was put on Facebook on September 10th. The Pat Street easement vacation is being finished up by having the easement released and the documents recorded.

Motion Gehl, second Weber at 7:07pm. Adjourn into Closed Session Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. No Action will be taken related to closed session. Police Officer Hire.

Motion Delaney, second Gehl, Reconvene into Open Session at 7:17pm.

Motion Delaney, second Weber, Possible Action After Closed Session – Resolution #90-26 Hiring of a Police Officer Miley Duritza. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion Hosch, second Weber to adjourn at 7:18pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Adam Schuster, City Clerk

Steven J. Knepper, Mayor