

SIoux RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 10, 2026.

The regular meeting of the Sioux Rapids City Council was called to order Mike Katschman on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 6:30 pm. Roll call: Mike Katschman, Mike Gunderson, Susan Pierce came in late at 6:38 p.m., Kevin Thompson, and Christy Wernimont. Lacy Garberding was absent. Amanda Caraway, Andrew Wetrich, and other community members were also in attendance.

A motion was made by Wernimont, seconded by Gunderson, to approve the agenda. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding and Pierce. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Thompson to open the Public Hearing for PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT & ESTIMATE COST OF CONSTRUCTION – NEW PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELL NO. #4, it was seconded by Gunderson at 6:31pm. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried. City Council discussed plans for Well #4 and cost provided from the city engineer. There was no question from the public. A motion was made by Wernimont to adjourn the Public Hearing for PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT & ESTIMATE COST OF CONSTRUCTION – NEW PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELL NO. #4 at 6:35 pm, it was seconded by Thompson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding and Pierce. Motion carried.

Thompson moved to approve Resolution No. 939 – Adopting plans, specifications, forms of contract and estimate of costs, it was seconded by Gunderson. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding and Pierce. Motion is carried.

The City Council reviewed and considered the construction bids for Well #4 – 1-Sarggent Drilling, and 1-Cahoy Group. Thompson moved to table all decisions until more information could be gathered given that the bids came in higher than expected, and it was seconded by Gunderson.

A motion was made by Gunderson seconded by Pierce to approve the consent agenda, which included minutes from May 13th, May 27th, 2026, meetings, and the financial reports from the month of May, claims list for May along with the IPAIT statements, and BV County Sheriff's Report. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding and Pierce. Motion carried.

MAY 2026 CLAIMS

	EMC INSURANCE	\$41,516.00	YEARLY INSURANCE PREMIUM - 2026 - 2027
37764	LEHR INSURANCE	\$1,795.08	CYBER INSURANCE - 2026 - 2027
37763	MACK,HANSEN,GADD,ARMSTRONG & B	\$1,012.50	LEGAL SERVICES
37771	UNITED STATES POST OFFICE	\$183.96	MAY 2026 UTILITY BILLING
37771	UNITED STATES POST OFFICE	\$164.00	STAMPS - 2 ROLLS
37778	GRAVES CONSTRUCTION CO, INC	\$79,190.46	PAY APPLICATION #4 - SR HEALTH CLINIC
37779	PETTY CASH	\$200.00	SNACK SACK STARTER CASH
	COMMUNITY STATE BANK	\$28.37	BANK SERVICE CHARGE
	COMMUNITY STATE BANK	\$3.00	BANK CHARGE BACK FEE

MAY 2026 RECEIPTS

GENERAL	\$ 35,086.24
ROAD USE	\$ 9,962.40
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$ 926.15
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$ 9,477.64
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 1,238.61
WATER	\$ 18,157.70
WATER METER	\$ 1.46
SEWER	\$ 13,321.07
GARBAGE	\$ 11,126.63
STORM WATER	\$ 1,601.00
	\$ 100,898.90

The suggestion from residents comes as a reminder to have everyone mow your yard. City code says that it starts to become a nuisance when the grass is 8 inches or longer and the city may mow your yard at no notice and at owner's cost.

Josh with Town and Country Disposal came and talked with City Council about some solutions to help with the recycling contamination issue that we had last year. Josh and the City Council discussed situations and what they could do to help. City Hall is going to be mailing flyers explaining what can and cannot be recycled and City Council Members are going to be randomly checking recycling cans before they are picked up to make sure that there is no material containing in the cans. If there is the wrong type to material in the recycling cans, they will not be picked up.

Courtney Morals the Swimming Pool manager came and gave a pool update; everything is looking good. The pool has been busy. They are looking at doing a Midnight Swim on June 27th. The Pool Board is starting to meet and start Fund Raising ideas.

Amanda Caraway presented City Council with updated RFP for Community Catalyst Grant and they approved it. Wernimont moved to approve the Catalyst RFP and have it put in the local newspaper, it was seconded by Thompson Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Thompson moved to approve Ordinance No. 477 – Amend Water Rate – the 3rd reading (increase of 3%), it was seconded by Gunderson. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Pierce, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion is carried.

Gunderson moved to approve Ordinance No. 478 – Amend Solid Wasted Rate – first reading (increase \$5.00), it was seconded by Thompson. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Pierce, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion is carried.

Wernimont moved to approve the Tobacco Retail License for Casey's General Store, it was seconded by Pierce. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

City Council had to table the Retail Tobacco License for Sioux Food Center because it was not in the system yet.

Wernimont moved to approve the Liquor License for the Sioux Rapids Fire Department for Tall Corn Day at the City Park for the Fireman Dance, it was seconded by Thompson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Wernimont moved to set the Public Hearing for Vacating Part of 3rd Street for Stefan and Briann Sontag on July 8, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, it was seconded by Gunderson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Wernimont moved to approve Resolution No. 938 – Business Incentive Grant Program Updated for \$2,000.00 with \$500.00 each 6 month, for 2 years. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Pierce, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion is carried.

Thompson moved to approve/accept the application for the Rebel 712 Business Incentive Grant, it was seconded by Gunderson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

City Council reviewed the quotes for Tree Cutting again, they also review their insurances. Thompson moved to accept the quote from Woodall for the 15 tree and table the quote for cottonwood tree for now, it was seconded by Gunderson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

City Council reviewed the quote from Edmondsgov for software for utility billing, payroll, accounting and everything. The discussion was made to talk to GWorks and see if they would work with us more first before we move again.

There was a pickle ball set, and net donated to the City, so Wernimont moved to have temporary lanes so that games could be played this summer, it was seconded by Gunderson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

The City Council went over the plans and updates that they had for Tall Corn Days

Amanda went over the one Variance Permit that was approved by the Board of Adjustments

Gunderson moved to accept the quote from Evertek for internet and phone at the City Swimming Pool, it was seconded by Wernimont.

Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Gunderson moved to approve Resolution No. 937 – Approving Pay Application No. 5 – Sioux Rapids Health Clinic Project, it was seconded by Thompson. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Pierce, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion is carried.

Gunderson moved to approve Resolution No. 941 – Employee Compensation FY 2026/2027 (0.05% COI), it was seconded by Thompson. Roll being called Ayes: Gunderson, Pierce, Thompson and Wernimont. Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion is carried.

Gunderson moved to approve payment to Hawkins, Inc in the amount of \$ 1,009.88 for chemicals for the swimming pool, it was seconded by Thompson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Wernimont moved to approve payment to SEH (Short, Elliott, Hendrickson) in the amount of \$ 5,200.00 for the SIORA Water Supply Design – USDA Grant, it was seconded by Thompson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Thompson moved to approve payment to Westrum Leak Detection in the amount of \$1,300.00 for the leak survey for 2026, it was seconded by Gunderson. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Gunderson moved to approve payment to Graves Construction in the amount of \$163,838.33 for the contractor for the Sioux Rapids Health Clinic, it was seconded by Wernimont. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

Thompson moved to approve payment to Simmering-Cory & Iowa Codification in the amount of \$1,500.00 for Grant writing CDBG – DR Buyout Application, it was seconded by Wernimont. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

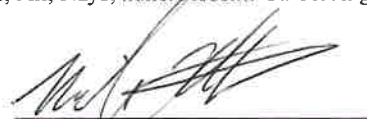
The next regular city council meeting has been arranged for Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at 6:30 pm at City Hall, 100 Front Street.

Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Wernimont. Ayes; All; Nays; none. Absent: Garberding. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

ATTEST;


Amanda Caraway, City Clerk


Mike Katschman, Mayor