LAKE PARK CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 9, 2026
City Hall

The following are the minutes as recorded by the City Clerk and are subject to council approval at the next regular meeting on 03/09/26

Lake Park City Council met in regular session and for a public hearing on February 9, 2026. Members present: Thiessen, Judd, deBoom, Jacobson, Sohn. Others present: Marie Matthiesen, Gerald Weerts, Shane Arndt, Steph Johnson, David Dreesman, James Kessler, Darolyn Packebush, Dick Packebush, Karen Sterk, Barry Sterk, Seth Hellinga, Mackenzie Ashland, Allison Azevedo, Samantha McCandless, Steve Schwaller, Brandon Ehret, Lane Reinke, Ryan Carpenter.

Mayor Carstensen opened the Public Hearing at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. A hearing for the rezoning of a property from Single Family Residential District (R-2) to Downtown Commercial District (C-1). The legal description for the property is Lake Park Plat by Shimer etal Lot 1 and N'LY 37' of Lot 2 Blk A.

With no written or oral comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:02PM.

Moved by deBoom/Sohn to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2-26--"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE PARK ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING A CHANGE IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE FROM R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-1 DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR LAKE PARK." All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sohn/Judd to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance #2-26; all ayes. Motion carried

Judd introduced and moved to adopt Ordinance #2-26--"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE PARK ZONING ORDINANCE PROVIDING A CHANGE IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE FROM R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-1 DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR LAKE PARK." Second by Sohn. Roll call vote. Ayes- Sohn, Judd, Jacobson, deBoom, Thiessen. Nays-none. Motion carried. This ordinance shall be in effect after its posting as required by law.

Mayor Carstensen called the regular meeting to order at 7:04PM.

Moved by deBoom/Jacobson to approve the consent agenda which includes: Minutes of 01-12-2026 Meeting; Minutes of 02-02-2026 Meeting; Financial Reports; Approval of Bills for Payment; Payroll Summary Report; Bank Reconciliation Report; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sohn/Judd to approve regular agenda; all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Police, library, street and sewer reports were in the council packets.

BUSINESS:

There was no representation from the Lakes Area Senior Citizens Center. After short discussion deBoom/Sohn moved to not donate to the Lakes Area Activity Center at this time; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sohn/Judd to approve the use of Market St. from Ave A to Ave B for Market on Market; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by deBoom/Jacobson to approve the use of the City Park for the Easter Egg Quest to be held April 4, 2026 from 3:00-5:00pm; all ayes. Motion carried.

The council discussed deciding on the limit that could possibly be spent on a fire station. Moved by Thiessen/Sohn to approve a contract with Beck Engineering for a Fire Station design and cost estimate; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Thiessen/Judd to approve the Ave B Sewer Project with the location changes; all ayes. Motion carried.

The council discussed the former care center property and the pros and cons to the possibility of purchasing this property. Moved by Thiessen/Jacobson to not purchase the property; all ayes. Motion carried.

Matthiesen updated the council that in order to keep the park project moving along, phase 1 would be split into 2 projects as there is still some archeological work being done that may delay the playground area. The park entry, trail, and shower house will proceed as planned and the playground will move forward when all the archaeological work has been completed and approved.

Matthiesen updated the council on the two larger nuisances that are currently being addressed.

Public Forum, Council discussion, mayor's report, and administrators report were the last items on the agenda.

Moved by Thiessen/Sohn to adjourn at 8:15PM; all ayes. Motion carried.

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Matt Carstensen, Mayor Marie Matthiesen, Clerk

The following are the bills approved at the Lake Park City Council meeting on 02-09-26 along with the bills of necessity.

Amanda Tanner	reimburse EMS training	150.00
Bear Creek Archeology	archeology study park project	22155.00
Ia Assoc. Mun. Utilities	training	1115.00
Jeremy Voit	reimburse EMS training	150.00
Wellmark Blue Cross	health insurance	6980.29
IA Dept of Revenue-ST W/H	state withholding	918.00

IPERS	IPERS	5199.42
Dept of Treasury	941 pp 01-26	3981.17
Alliant Energy	street lighting/lift stations	1176.14
American Underground	lift station maint.	346.60
AT & T Mobility	cell phones	225.24
Beck Engineering	Ave B sewer/park Eng. fees	142638.75
Bomgaars	sewer supplies	11.99
C & B Operations	2025 park mower rental	3000.00
Card Service Center	department supplies	2069.06
Carstensen Meat & Grocery	street/sewer supplies	57.47
Cengage Learning	lg print books	28.97
City Laundering	rugs	65.74
Consumers Lumber Company	street shop repairs	169.99
Cooperative Energy	FD/street/sewer fuel	1107.98
Core & Main	annual service agreement	961.00
Demco	library supplies	90.07
Dickinson County IT	remote desktop annual support	675.00
Dickinson County News	publications	235.91
Echo Group	sewer supplies	24.92
Ehret Web Co.	website maint.	215.60
Follett School Solutions	library supplies	126.56
Heiman, Inc	fire dept. supplies	30.69
Ingram Library Services	books	404.18
ILCC	EMS training	90.00
Iowa One Call	locates	17.10
Jack's Uniform Equipment	police supplies	52.99
Lake Park Auto Parts	street/comm ctr/FD supplies	213.19
Lake Park Auto Repair	police vehicle maint/7200	585.20
LPMU	utilities	13078.39
Lake Park Rescue	reimburse EMS bldg. maint.	508.60
Lakes News Shopper	museum bingo advertising	37.80
Lane Reinke	reimburse wellness center	120.00
LBR Enterprises	decals police vehicles	60.00
Market Street Tire	dismount tires	440.00
Mid-American Research	sewer supplies	1356.98
One Office Solution	copier	134.08
Premier Communications	telephone/internet	890.75
Redbeard Cyber Security	qrtly IT support	663.59
Ryan Carpenter	reimburse wellness center	120.00
Savings Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
Shamrock Recycling	cardboard recycling	523.36
Staples	library supplies	69.91
Starnet Technologies	sewer annual NCC monitoring	720.00
Town & Country	garbage/recycle collection fees	10229.88
Trojan Technologies	sewer lamps	3486.40
United Community Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
Waste Management-DC	landfill fees	5747.06
Western Iowa Tech	fire dept training	330.00
Ziegler Cat	grader repairs	1795.27
Dept of Treasury	941 pp 2-9-26	3939.93

RECAP OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES BY FUND:

General	$84,309.20	$136,842.10
RUT	14,194.14	2,728.74
Debt Service	1,213.07	-0-
Trust & Agency	3,312.20	10,018.25
L O S T	29,090.26	-0-
Sanitary Sewer	58,370.47	14,380.42
TOTALS:	**$190,489.34**	**$163,969.51**