

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

February 9, 2026

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on February 9, 2026, in the Council Chambers with Mayor Brent Vander Molen presiding. Council Members present were Arnold Alt, Mary Carol Cross, Justin Van Soelen, Tim LeCompte and Jon Van Wyk. Also present was Public Works Director Jeremy Behun. City Clerk Crystal Montgomery was absent due to illness.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by LeCompte, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for January 12, 2025; payment of claims list; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; RLF fund report. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Jeff Jorgenson with Open Air Flight Club is impressed with Sully's airstrip and wants to save as many airports as possible and mentioned sometimes there are grants available. He would like to help where he can.

**REVIEW FY27 PROPERTY TAX LEVY RATES:** A 2.68 decrease to residential property tax rates, and a 4.5% increase to commercial property tax rates was approved by council. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried. A Public Hearing regarding property tax rates was set for March 23 at 7pm in council chambers. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

**CONSIDER SULLY HOMETOWN PRIDE:** Council discussion included coming up with a new plan to detail splash pad DNR requirements, a revised plan to the original plan in place and to split up playground and shelter house updates.

**CONSIDER TORNADO SIREN NOON WHISTLE:** Due to wear and tear on the siren, council approved to only have the siren go off in the event of a real emergency and for the monthly EMS 10am test, which is the first Wednesday of each month. Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Alt to approve discontinuing the noon whistle. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

**CONSIDER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ALCOHOL PERMIT:** Motion made by Cross, Seconded by Van Soelen to pass first reading. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**WAIVE 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> READING TO ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ALCOHOL PERMIT:** Motion made by Van Wyk Seconded by Alt to waive 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**CONSIDER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO CIGARETTE & TOBACCO PERMIT:** Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Cross to pass first reading. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**WAIVE 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> READING TO ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO CIGARETTE & TOBACCO PERMIT:** Motion made by Alt Seconded by LeCompte to waive 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**REPORTS/COMMENTS:**

1. Public Works Director Jeremy Behun reported he is working on splash pad requirements with the DNR.
2. Council Member Arnold Alt questioned who's responsible for tree trimming when there's an overhang into streets. Council advised homeowners are to keep trees on their property trimmed according to code. Council needs to advise homeowners if there are compliance issues.
3. Mayor Brent Vander Molen advised Montgomery out until the 12<sup>th</sup> per provided doctor note, unless still not feeling well enough to come in.