

MINUTES OF THE SULLY CITY COUNCIL

SULLY, IOWA

March 9, 2026

The Sully City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on March 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 were Public Works Director Jeremy Behun and City Clerk Crystal Montgomery.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by Cross, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for February 9, 2026; payment of claims list with exception of one invoice to be paid by the contractor, not direct by the city; treasurer's report; expense by function report; equipment fund report; RLF fund report. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried

**PUBLIC FORUM:** No comments.

**JAMEY ROBINSON, JASPER COUNTY EMA:** Jamey Robinson and Sully Fire Chief Tony Van Wyk presented the city emergency plan which is set by national standards and is a basic plan. Council members need to take emergency compliance classes to be eligible for most funding available in the event of an emergency. Motion made by Alt to approve the plan after making minor phone number changes and seconded by Cross. Roll call vote: 5-0, Motion carried.

**CONSIDER SULLY HOMETOWN PRIDE:** Sully Hometown pride committee would like to move playground phase 3 to phase 2. There are grant applications in place and funds have been raised for a portion of the project. Council would like to see estimates to refurbish the existing swing set to match new playground equipment, as the existing swing set is still in good shape overall and has character. Hometown pride will look into cost estimates and report back to council. Motion made by Van Wyk and seconded by LeCompte to approve the phase changes with the understanding it is pending the swing set options. Roll call vote: 5-0, motion carried.

**CONSIDER JULY 4<sup>th</sup> PLANNING:** Discussion held due to the 4<sup>th</sup> being on a Saturday, should the celebration be on Friday or Saturday. Per an email from Faye Brand, as coordinators of the parade and activities, her and husband Eric, would prefer the event be on Saturday due to their business most likely being open on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Additionally, the race brings a lot of people to town, and they are used to the celebration on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Council decided to hold the event on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**CONSIDER CENTENNIAL ITEMS REMAINING:** After an inventory check, there are no blankets, approximately 15 pottery vases, 2-3 boxes of centennial books, and well over 400 cookbooks left. Council would like to keep centennial books and pottery, and a few boxes of the cookbooks and agreed finding a group/person to buy cookbooks in bulk would be acceptable and would free up storage space. Cross will review options and report back to council.

**REVIEW CONCESSION STAND LEASE:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by LeCompte to approve lease as is for upcoming season. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**REVIEW DEEP ROCK LEASE:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by LeCompte to approve lease as is for upcoming season. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**CONSIDER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS-ZONING:** Motion made by LeCompte, Seconded by Cross to pass first reading of Ordinance 1166. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**WAIVE 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> READING TO ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS-ZONING:** Motion made by Van Soelen, Seconded by Cross to waive 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance 1166. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FY27 WAGES:** Motion made by Van Wyk, Seconded by Alt to approve FY27 wage increase for Resolution 2026-01 beginning July 1, 2026. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Motion carried.

**REPORTS/COMMENTS:**

1. City Clerk, Crystal Montgomery applied for Delta Dental grant for a new drinking fountain the ballpark, awards are granted the week of April 20. Also applied for the Prairie Meadows grant for picnic tables and new pickleball nets, award granted by July 10.
2. Council Member Arnold Alt would like to be more involved with EMA plans/situations as he has history in previous roles.
3. Council Member Jon Van Wyk asked when the parks would be officially opened. PWD Behun advised that the goal date would be April 1, 2026 and restrooms being opened when temperatures stay warm enough.

The council meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm