LAKE PARK CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 13, 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 05/11/26.

Lake Park City Council met in regular session and for public hearings on April 13, 2026. Members present: Thiessen, Judd, deBoom, Jacobson. Absent: Sohn. Others present: Marie Matthiesen, Beth Will, Jim Kessler, Ben Groen, Rick Bierstedt, dick Packebush, Darolyn, Packebush, Clarissa Bierstedt, Nick Bierstedt, Tim Moerman, Ryan Carpenter, Mel Zevenbergen, Barry Sterk, Karen Sterk, Brandon Ehret.

Mayor Carstensen opened the Public Hearing at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. A hearing on 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 Lot 5 Blk F Plat by Shimmer. With no written or other oral comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:03PM.

Mayor Carstensen opened the 2nd Public Hearing at 7:03PM. A hearing on the Annual Budget Estimate for the City of Lake Park for FY26/27. With no written or other oral comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:05PM.

Mayor Carstensen opened the 3rd Public Hearing at 7:05PM. A hearing on the Adoption of Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for 2026 City of Lake Park Silver Lake Park Renovations-Phase 1. Matthiesen explained the scope of work for Phase 1 for those who questioned. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:08PM.

Mayor Carstensen called the regular meeting to order at 7:08PM.

Moved by deBoom/Judd to approve the consent agenda which includes Minutes of 03-09-26, Public Hearing Minutes of 03-30-26 Special Meeting; Minutes of 03-30-26; Financial Reports; Approval of Bills for Payment; Payroll Summary Report; Bank Reconciliation Report; all ayes. Motion carried.

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

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

BUSINESS:

Moved by deBoom/Judd to approve the first reading of Ordinance #3-26--"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. Thiessen abstains. Motion carried.

Moved by Judd/Jacobson to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance #3-26; all ayes. Thiessen abstains. Motion carried.

deBoom introduced and moved to adopt Ordinance #3-26--"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 Jacobson. Roll call vote. Ayes- Judd, Jacobson, deBoom. Nays-none. Thiessen abstains. Motion carried. This ordinance shall be in effect after its posting as required by law.

Moved by Thiessen/Judd to adopt Resolution #06-26--"RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027." Roll Call vote; Ayes-Thiessen, deBoom, Jacobson, Judd. Nays-none. Resolution duly adopted.

Moved by Judd/Jacobson to adopt Resolution #07-26--"RESOLUTION ADOPTING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE 2026 CITY OF LAKE PARK SILVER LAKE PARK RENOVATIONS - PHASE I." Roll Call vote; Ayes-Jacobson, deBoom, Judd, Thiessen. Nays-none. Resolution duly adopted.

Ben Groen, Beck Engineering, went over the bid calculation document. The engineer's estimate was $2,074,499, which included an alternate of adding 4 rapid flashing beacon traffic signs. There were 4 bids submitted with the low bid of $1,591,491 being submitted by Diamond Concrete. Groen stated that the bids were quite competitive and there were no discrepancies noted. He recommended that the bid from Diamond Concrete be awarded.

Moved by deBoom/Thiessen to adopt Resolution #08-26— "RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 2026 CITY OF LAKE PARK SILVER LAKE PARK RENOVATIONS - PHASE I." with the inclusion of the alternate. Roll Call vote; Ayes-deBoom, Judd, Thiessen, Jacobson. Nays-none. Resolution duly adopted.

Moved by Thiessen/Jacobson to approve temporary easements for construction (3)—2026 Silver Lake Park Renovations-Phase 1; all ayes. Motion carried.

Jacobson provided an update on the Silver Lake Country Club. The interior has been updated with paint, flooring, ceiling tiles and ceiling fans. The plan is to show a few years with profit before a new clubhouse will be built. There are still some issues with the pooling on hole number nine which they are seeking ways to address. There is a new grounds superintendent that started this year and is working out well. Tim Moerman is working with them to provide some management planning and scheduling. Moved by Thiessen/Judd to grant the Silver Lake Country Club the annual $10,000 agreed upon funding set aside in a separate account; all ayes. Jacobson abstains. Motion carried

Moved by deBoom/Judd to approve the purchase agreement with Ziegler for a Caterpillar wheel loader for $96,000 after trade-in; all ayes. Motion carried.

Council was presented with an updated purchase agreement from Carl & Sally Ingwersen to purchase approx. 3.5 acres of farm ground along M27 with the intent to build a fire station. This agreement included the request for a field access to be funded by the City and possession to not happen until December 2026 after crops are out. Matthiesen stated that she had contacted the County engineer and he estimated the cost would be between $500-$600 depending on the actual request. The question was raised, what would the plan be for the property if the bond does not pass. Could either seed it or contract with the person farming the ground. Moved by Thiessen/Judd to approve the purchase agreement to purchase the land; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by deBoom/Thiessen to adopt Resolution #09-26—"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT." Roll Call vote; Ayes-Judd, Jacobson, deBoom, Thiessen. Nays-none. Resolution duly adopted.

Moved by Judd/Jacobson to approve a bond counsel agreement with Ahlers & Cooney for the park project bond issuance; all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Judd/Jacobson to adopt Resolution #10-26—"RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED $3,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES OF THE CITY OF LAKE PARK, STATE OF IOWA (FOR ESSENTIAL CORPORATE PURPOSES), AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION THEREOF." Roll Call vote; Ayes-Jacobson, Thiessen, deBoom, Judd. Nays-none. Resolution duly adopted. Packebush asked the question if the funds could be used anywhere else if they are not all spent on the park project. The resolution states what the funds can be used for.

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

Moved by deBoom/Thiessen to adjourn at 8:03PM; 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 04-13-26 along with the bills of necessity.

Brandon Ehret	fire school reimbursement	607.60
Cooperative Energy	fuel	1029.86
Sanford Health	hearing tests	120.32
Savings Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
United Community Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
Wellmark	health insurance	7398.09
IPERS	IPERS March 2026	5042.40
State of Iowa	state w/h pp 03/21	821.00
Dept of Treasury	941 deposit pp 03/21	1517.14
EMC Insurance	property/liability 26/27	71893.40
Mel's Insurance	property/liability 26/27	3106.65
US Post Office	envelopes	904.10
3E Generators	generator repair	361.20
Alliant Energy	street lighting/lift stations	1086.67
Alpha Wireless	FD radios	2615.00
AT & T Mobility	cell phones	225.24
Barco	street signs	410.09
Beck Engineering	eng fees	17960.00
Blue Lake Websites	library website	249.00
Bomgaars	street supplies	159.93
Card Service Center	misc dept expenses	2030.84
Carstensen Meat & Grocery	office supplies	33.77
Cengage Learning	lg print books	151.04
Center Point Large Print	lg print books	32.21
Certified Testing	park ground testing	2550.00
City Laundering	rugs	67.69
Consumers Lumber Company	sewer supplies	32.97
Cooperative Energy	fuel	1895.75
Dickinson County News	publications	661.63
Echo Electric	sewer maint.	290.76
Ehret Web Co.	website postings	180.60
Electric Pump	lift station maint.	1392.00
Fick's Ace Hardware	sewer supplies	45.57
First Children's Finance	childcare study	10000.00
Galls, Inc	police supplies	3.02
Heartland Security Services	library annual renewal	263.40
Ingram Library Services	books	396.96
IAMU	annual membership	530.00
IA Dept of Public Safety	on-line warrant	300.00
Jeremy Harms	mileage	311.75

Lake Park Auto Parts	sewer/street/FD supplies	218.62
LPMU	utilities	5559.01
Lakes News Shopper	employment want ad	210.60
Layton's Backhoe Service	televise sewer	250.00
Martin Law Office	legal fees	887.50
Midwest Breathing Air LLC	qrtly air test-FD	782.20
Murgui Online Inveatigations	PD training course	350.00
One Office Solution	copier	180.01
Pioneer Printing	envelopes	100.00
Premier Communications	phone/internet	894.54
Savings Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
Shamrock Recycling	cardboard recycling	840.76
Shane Arndt	reimbursement	135.00
Snyder Garage Doors	FD-service garage doors	286.30
Sohn's Tree Service	tree removal	4700.00
State Hygienic Lab	w/w testing	677.50
Titan Machinery	Ferris mower	13900.91
Town & Country	garbage collection fees	10245.49
Tri-State Litho	orange tags	98.00
United Community Bank	HSA deposit	275.00
Utility Equipment Company	water valves/campground	228.37
Waste Management-DC	landfill fees	5625.42

RECAP OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES BY FUND:

General	$67,845.37	$132,287.50
RUT	11,865.06	2,010.83
Debt Service	3,229.64	-0-
Trust & Agency	5,166.81	10,144.99
L O S T	23,086.24	-0-
Sanitary Sewer	61,254.77	17,324.46
TOTALS:	**$172,447.89**	**$161,737.78**