

Story City, Iowa

September 15, 2025

Mayor Jensen called the council meeting to order on Monday, September 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall.

Present: Mayor Jensen, Administrator Jackson

Council Members: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Absent: None

Also Present: Nicole Engelhardt, ACT Insurance; Trent Whipple, Story City Fire Department Chief; Mike McGuigan, Story City EMS Chief; Matt Sporleder, Story City Chief of Police; Jake Edwards, Police Officer; Anna Gay, Jenna Erickson, Brenda Bright, Joe Arends, numerous community members; Scott Nibe, American Legion (6:50 p.m.)

Motion by Sporleder, seconded by O'Connor, to approve the agenda

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Phillips, to approve the September 2, 2025 regular meeting minutes.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

LEGAL ITEMS

A) **Ordinance No. 364** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Fireworks, First Reading

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Ordinance No. 364

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

B) **Ordinance No. 365** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by

Amending Provisions Pertaining to Conflict of Interest, First Reading

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleder, to approve Ordinance No. 365

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

C) **Ordinance No. 366** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by

Amending Provisions Pertaining to Liquor Licenses and Wine and

Beer Permits, First Reading

Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Phillips, to approve Ordinance No. 366

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

- D) **Ordinance No. 367** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Cigarette and Tobacco Permits, First Reading
Motion by Solberg, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Ordinance No. 367
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.
- E) **Ordinance No. 368** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by Adding A New Section Prohibiting False Representation of Service Animal, First Reading
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Phillips, to approve Ordinance No. 368
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.
- F) **Ordinance No. 369** – Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Public Hearing Requirements, First Reading
Motion by Sporleder, seconded by Solberg, to approve Ordinance No. 369
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.
- G) **Ordinance No. 370** – Amending Chapter 22 of the Municipal Code to Modify the Qualifications and Terms of Office of the Trustees of the Library Board, Waive Two Reading and Proceed to Final Reading

First Consideration, Solberg moved adoption, O'Connor seconded.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.

Second consideration, Ostrem moved adoption, Phillips seconded.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.

O'Connor moved motion to suspend the rule and proceed to final consideration.
Phillips seconded.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Final consideration, Ostrem moved adoption, Solberg seconded.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

- H) **Resolution No. 25-50** – Requesting that the Commissioner of Elections for Story County Place a Public Measure on Ballot at the Next Municipal Election

Motion by Solberg, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Resolution No. 25-50

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A) Preliminary Discussion on FY 2025-26 Budget: Police, Fire, and First Responders

Matt Sporleder, Chief of Police, presented a summary of budget items from the previous and current fiscal year, as well as 26/27 budget expectations.

Trent Whipple, Fire Chief, presented a summary of budget items from the previous and current fiscal year, as well as 26/27 budget expectations.

Mike McGuigan, Chief of EMS, presented a summary of budget items from the previous and current fiscal year, as well as 26/27 budget expectations.

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

- A) Hearing on Vicious Dog, With Possible Council Action:

Sam Block and Anna Gay - 421 Story St.

Comments presented by Anna Gay, Brenda Bright, Jenna Erickson, Joe Arends followed with discussion by mayor and council.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by O'Connor, to retain original decision by Administrator Jackson that the dog must be removed from the city.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

- B) Request from American Legion to Create Parking in Right of Way
Scott Nibe presented the request to council.
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Phillips, to approve.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.
- C) Sidewalk Improvement Applications:
1. Anderson Street – 609 Lafayette
Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Phillips to approve.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Solberg, to approve payment of bills and claims.
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleder
Nay: None
Motion Carried.

MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, AND CITY STAFF COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Administrator Jackson reported that there is an ISU class doing a study on sidewalks and city signage.
- CM Ostrem reported weeds overgrowing the sidewalk on Maple near the Elementary School

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Heather Slifka, City Clerk

Mike Jensen, Mayor