

Story City, Iowa

December 15, 2025

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

Present: Mayor Jensen and Administrator Jackson

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Eric Abrams, Mike Wright, Street Superintendent; Family of Dave Sporleider; Nicole Engelhardt, ACT Insurance; Trent Whipple, Fire Department Chief; Patsy Jensen; Andrea and Chad Clark

Motion by Sporleider, seconded by O'Connor, to amend the agenda to add Administrative Item #4: North Park Restroom Project Pay App #3

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Phillips, to approve the November 17, 2025 regular meeting minutes

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A) Proposed Amendment to the Revitalization Plan for the Story City Industrial Urban Revitalization Area  
Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. With no public comment, he closed the public hearing.

## **LEGAL ITEMS**

A) **Resolution No. 25-65 – Adopting Amended and Restated Plan for the Story City Industrial Revitalization Area**  
Motion by Ostrem, seconded by O'Connor, to approve Resolution No. 25-65  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporleider  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

B) **Ordinance No. 370 – Amending Ordinance Designating an Area of Story City, Iowa as the Story City Industrial Revitalization Area, Waive Two Readings and Proceed to Final Reading**

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Council Member O'Connor introduced an ordinance entitled "Amending Ordinance Designating an Area of Story City, Iowa as the Story City Industrial Revitalization Area", Waive Two Reading and Proceed to Final Reading

It was moved by Solberg and seconded by Sporlede that the ordinance be adopted.

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Phillips, seconded by O'Connor, to suspend the rule requiring said ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be fully passed be suspended.

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Solberg, seconded by Phillips, to approve Ordinance 370, An ordinance amending Designating an Area of Story City, Iowa as the Story City Industrial Revitalization Area.

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

WHEREUPON, the Mayor declared Ordinance No. 370 duly passed and the title agreed upon this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.

**C) Resolution No. 25-66 – Accepting Work on the Broad Street Watermain Replacement Project**

Motion by Sporlede, seconded by Ostrem, to approve Resolution No. 25-66.

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

**D) Resolution No. 25-67 – Approving First Amendment to Economic Development Agreement with B&L Properties, LLC**

Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Sporlede, to approve Resolution No. 25-67.

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

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

E) **Resolution No. 25-68 – Approving Revised Agreement with River Bend Golf Course, Ltd. for the Management of the City’s River Bend Golf Course.**

CM Ostrem presented information about the agreement and gave a financial update on the River Bend Golf Course.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by O’Connor, to approve Resolution No. 25-68.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleider

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

F) **Resolution No. 25-69 – Establishing Length of Service Award**

**Program and Adopting Guidelines for Eligibility**

Trent Whipple outlined the program and guidelines.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Ostrem to approve Resolution No. 25-69.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleider

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

A) Approve Construction Pay Applications and Change Orders:

1. Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Pay Application No. 17 to Gridor for \$942,610.52

2. Rich Olive Street Improvement Project Pay Application No. 5 to Gehrke for \$14,592.72

3. Broad Street Watermain Replacement Project Pay Application No. 3/Final to Gehrke for \$5,381.25

4. North Park Restroom Project Pay Application No. 3 Woodruff for \$35,669.33

Motion by Sporleider, seconded by O’Connor, to approve pay apps as presented.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleider

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

B) Approve Engineering Services Agreement with MSA for Sump

Pump Inspection Program Year 6

Motion by O’Connor, seconded by Phillips to approve agreement.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleider

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

## **PERMITS**

A) Liquor:

1. Story City Liquor & Groceries – 622 Broad St.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Sporleider to approve liquor permit.

Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporlede  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

## **MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS**

A) Request to have Chickens – 202 Summit Dr.  
Motion by O'Connor, seconded by Sporlede to approve request.  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporlede  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

B) Downtown Building Grant Program Application – 519 Broad St.  
Motion by Ostrem, seconded by Solberg to award \$25,000 for 519 Broad St, contingent upon and disbursement of funds to be made upon completion of the project via the issuance of a certificate of occupancy by building inspector.  
Aye: Ostrem, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporlede  
Nay: Phillips  
Motion Carried.

C) Andrea Clark – Residency Requirement  
Motion by Solberg, seconded by O'Connor to allow a final extension to not later than July 1, 2025.  
Aye: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O'Connor, and Sporlede  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS**

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

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

- Street Superintendent Mike Wright spoke about the process of clearing the snow, the time of day his crew starts working, and what streets/areas are first, second, and third on the list.
- On behalf of the council and the city, Mayor Jensen presented CM Dave Sporlede with a plaque recognizing his 28 years of contributions to the city and thanking him for his time on the council.

- Clerk Slifka issued the Oath of Office to new council member Eric Abrams, returning council member Mary Kay Solberg, and returning Mayor Mike Jensen.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Heather Slifka, City Clerk

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Mike Jensen, Mayor