

# Legals

## CLARKSVILLE CSD • WORK SESSION 2.4.2026

### CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION FEBRUARY 4, 2026

A work session was called to order by President Justin Clark at 5:30 p.m. in room #109. Members present Justin Clark, Brandon Kampman, Shelley Maiers and Megan Hoodjer; other present were Bryan Boysen, Superintendent, Business Manager/Board Secretary Shelley Bartlett.

Moved by Maiers, seconded by

Barnett, to approve the agenda. Carried unanimously.

The work session focused on the budget process to give board members a shared understanding of the budget structure and allow for more informed questions, clearer priorities, and a more productive budget discussion before formal decisions are made.

Moved by Kampman, seconded by Barnett, to adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

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## PROBATE PETERSEN ESPR017700

### THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR BUTLER COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Carol J Petersen, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR017700 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Carol J Petersen, Deceased, who died on or about January 13, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on January 21, 2026, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above-named district court,

as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Monica Petersen, Administrator of the Estate  
2330 EP True Parkway #18  
West Des Moines, IA 50265  
James H. Sayre, ICIS#: AT006889  
Attorney for the Administrator  
Wasker, Dorr, Wimmer & Marcouiller, P.C.  
4201 Westown Parkway, Suite 250  
West Des Moines, IA 50266  
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## PROBATE DEBOWER ESPR017705

### THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR BUTLER COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA N. DEBOWER, Deceased Probate No. ESPR017705 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To all persons interested in the estate of Donna N. DeBower, deceased, who died on or about January 27, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026, the Last Will and Testament of Donna N. DeBower, deceased, bearing the date of the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Albert William DeBower, Jr. was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be

forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the Clerk of the above-named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

Albert William DeBower, Jr., Executor of Estate

1110 SW Sunset St., Blue Springs, MO 64015

Amy K. Swanson

Attorney for Executor

Lawler & Swanson, P.L.C.

601 Coates Street, P.O. Box 280

Parkersburg, Iowa 50665

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## BUTLER CO BOS • MINUTES 1.27.2026

### MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2026.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Greg Barnett with members Wayne Dralle and Rusty Eddy present. Moved by Dralle, second by Barnett to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Barnett to approve January 20, 2026, minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment was received. Motion by Dralle, second by Eddy to open Public Hearing on a request by BMC Aggregates to rezone 77 acres described as the W ½ SW ¼ of Section 9 Township 91 North, Range 16 West of the 5th P.M. from A-1 to A-2 to expand the quarry known as Oltman Quarry. All ayes. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator, Misty Kofron, shared information regarding the zoning request. Kofron also shared the Planning and Zoning Commission's meeting discussion which included a recommendation to approve the zoning request.

Motion by Dralle, second by Eddy to close Public Hearing. All ayes. Motion carried. Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to wave the second and third public hearings. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve Ordinance Title VI, Number 38- An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map. All ayes. Motion carried. Ordinance Title VI, Number 38 was adopted as follows:

ORDINANCE TITLE VI, NUMBER 38  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, WHICH IS CONSIDERED PART OF BUTLER COUNTY, IOWA ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE TITLE VI, NUMBER 28, ADOPTED ON NOVEMBER 1, 2022)

Section 1. RESCISSION. This Ordinance rescinds the current zoning designation, "A-1" Agriculture, on a parcel legally described as follows:

The West One-half of the Southwest Quarter (W½ SW¼) of Section

Nine (9), Township Ninety-one (91) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the 5th P.M.

on the Official Zoning Map as was originally adopted.

Section 2. ADOPTION. This Ordinance adopts in lieu thereof a new zoning designation "A-2" Limited Agricultural District for the property legally described above, on the Official Zoning Map.

Section 3. INTEGRATION WITH CODE. Each section, provision or part of this Ordinance which is followed by a section number shall be inserted in the Butler County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. Title VI, Number 28, adopted on November 1, 2022) as indicated by said section number and hereafter shall be cited by reference to said section number.

Section 4. REPEALER. All ordinances and resolutions, parts thereof or amendments thereto, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. SEVERABILITY OF REPEALER. All ordinances and resolutions, parts thereof or amendments thereto, not directly affected by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. SEVERABILITY. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such section, provision, or part shall be severable from the rest of the Ordinance, and such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision or part not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its final passage and publication as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE (READING) on January 27, 2026.

SECOND PASSAGE (READING) waived on January 27, 2026.

THIRD AND FINAL PASSAGE (READING) waived on January 27, 2026.

AND ADOPTION on January 27, 2026.

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: Greg Barnett, Chair  
Leslie Groen, County Auditor  
Kofron reviewed the BLP East Addition Preliminary Plat located in the SW ¼ of Section 34, Township 92 North, Range 15 West of the 5th P.M.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve Resolution #15-2026. Roll call was taken and the resolution was approved as follows:

RESOLUTION #15-2026  
BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPROVING "BLP EAST ADDITION PRELIMINARY PLAT" WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BUTLER COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Butler County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. This Plat consists of two lots, Lot 1 consisting of 24.27 acres including road right-of-way and Lot 2 consisting of 121.94 acres including road right-of-way.

Section 2. Lot 1 will be developed as is, Lot 2 will be developed in phases and may be further divided through the preliminary plat process in the future.

Section 3. The proposed roadway will be constructed per the Butler County Engineer's standards.

Section 4. Iowa Regional Utility Association will provide water service from their existing main located along 220th St.

Section 5. Sanitary sewer service for Lot 1 will be provided by an Iowa Regional Utility Association force main located along the Iowa Northern Railroad, just west of the proposed Subdivision. Force main will be extended to the site.

Section 6. Drainage for Lot 1 will be to the existing waterway and proposed road ditch with a detention basin in the Southerly end of Lot 1 to manage a portion of the site runoff before draining to the 220th St road ditch.

Section 7. The Butler County Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed a Preliminary Subdivision Plat entitled "BLP EAST ADDITION" at its regular meeting on January 15,

2026.

Section 8. Upon review of the Preliminary Plat, a 20' wide storm sewer easement was identified on said Plat and Butler County Subdivision Ordinance #8 requires a 30' wide easement.

Section 9. The Planning & Zoning Commission has made the recommendation that the Preliminary Subdivision Plat entitled "BLP EAST ADDITION" be approved with the stipulation that the storm sewer easement will be increased to 30' on the final plat.

Section 10. The Board of Supervisors hereby approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat entitled "BLP EAST ADDITION" with the stipulation that the storm sewer easement will be increased to 30' on the final plat.

Section 11. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Wayne Dralle, Greg Barnett, Rusty Eddy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Passed and approved this 27th day of January 2026.

ATTEST: Leslie Groen, County Auditor

Motioned by Dralle, second by Barnett to appoint Terri Halbach as Butler County Judicial Mental Health Advocate. All ayes. Motion carried.

FY27 Budget Workshop for Environmental Health and Zoning, Public Health, General Assistance, Veterans Affairs, Information Technology, Sheriff and Engineer. (Not sure what you want to include here.)

FY27 Budget Workshops- Environmental Health/Zoning, Misty Kofron shared a new line item, Water Quality Protection/Monitoring that would be used for a groundwater study by Iowa Geological Survey in the event they need a match from the County to utilize an existing funding source.

Public Health – Jennifer Becker shared their software contract cost increases and salaries. Their client numbers are down and so are referrals. VA Director Tom Heckman only noted one change outside of salary/benefits which includes an increase in School of Instruction for

additional training. Sara Trepp, IT Director, explained software contracts have increased 10-15%. In addition, 39 new users have been added to Office 365 for email. This includes Secondary Roads, Conservation, EMS and General Assistance employees. The increase in licenses is reflected in her FY278 budget increase of \$75,000. County Engineer John Riherd reviewed his budget expenses and expenses. He has requested \$2,300,000 funding from local property tax and the remainder is state/federal funding. Sheriff Jason Johnson reviewed his budget including salaries and positions that are being filled soon. Moving forward, new deputies being sponsored through the academy will be signing a 5 Year Contract to aid in retention and recovering costs. Purchasing new cars and working with EMS was also discussed.

The Board considered bids and awarded Iowa DOT Contract 12-C012-134, including project:

• BROS-C012(134)--8J-12 150' x 30' Continuous Concrete Slab Bridge on 120th St over Flood Creek

Engineer's Estimate: \$748,911.25

Bids Received:

Boulder Contracting, LLC Grundy Center, IA \$729,505.05

Peterson Contractors, Inc Reinbeck, IA \$748,954.40

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to award the Iowa DOT Contract 12-C012-134 to Boulder Contracting, LLC. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve Resolution #16-2025.

Roll was called: AYES: Dralle, Barnett, Rusty NAYS: None and the resolution was approved as follows:

Resolution #16-2026

Moved by Eddy and seconded by Dralle to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a construction project, BROS-C012(134)--8J-12, a replacement for the bridge on 120th Street over Flood Creek, approximately 1000' west of Ridge Ave has been designed, let to bid and contract awarded by the Butler County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department

of Transportation (DOT) requires certain functions related to the administration of contracts for construction let through the DOT be completed electronically through the Doc Express and Appia services provided by InfoTech, Inc; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Butler County Board of Supervisors that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, John Riherd, the County Engineer for Butler County, Iowa be and is hereby designated, authorized and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction projects let through the DOT for this county.

Passed and Approved this 27th day of January 2026.

Greg Barnett, Chairman

Butler County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

During the Engineer's Update Riherd included the are working on shed plans for bids and the Engineer's office is attending training on Thursday.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Dralle to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:57 A.M. to February 3, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on January 27, 2026.

Attest: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

Greg Barnett, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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## BUTLER CO BOS • MINUTES 1.20.2026

### MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON JANUARY 20, 2026.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Greg Barnett with members Rusty Eddy and Wayne Dralle present. Moved by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve January 13, 2026, minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment on agenda.

FY27 Budget Funding Requests presented by local libraries. They are requesting increase from the current \$11,000/library contribution.

FY27 Budget Funding Requests presented by Mike Stirling from the Butler County Fair Board. They are

requesting a \$10,000.00 contribution towards the Show Arena in addition to the current budget amount of \$25,000.00.

FY27 Budget Workshops- Recorder, Janice Jacobs stated no new projects are coming up. Treasurer, Roxie Nicolaus informed the Board that her budget went up by less than 1.5% with no new projects or cost increases outside of salaries. County Conservation Director, Matt Wilken, presented a replacement plan for Conservation vehicles and equipment through the minor equipment expense line item. Conservation would budget a consistent amount each year to be transferred to their equipment reserve fund. They would manage equipment replacement from that fund. Wilken also stated his current part time office

employee would be going to full time at the beginning of FY27. During the Emergency Medical Services budget workshop, Karl Coates informed the Board that she is budgeting for a third person, which would be for a weekend package and budget also includes a second new vehicle. In addition to these budget items, EMS salaries will also be budgeted from the EMS Levy which would increase from \$0.14 to \$0.25.

Coates also presented an Emergency Medical Services update containing service numbers from 2025 including EMS total calls for the year. Barnett noted that there is a positive response from the public regarding the service. Coates reminded everyone of the Butler County EMS Education Day coming up on Saturday, January 24th beginning at 8 am at the Parkersburg Fire/EMS Building.

Auditor Leslie Groen reviewed the Magistrate Appointing Commission including their 6-year term and need to have three people appointed. After reaching out to the existing commission only two members wish to continue. Barnett motioned for Sara Trepp to fill the position with no second. Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to post the commission vacancies on the website for 10 days and table the appointment. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve Access System Agreement for Auditor and Engineer office copy machines. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board set the date and time as January 27th at 9:00 A.M. in the

Basement Conference room of the Courthouse for a Public Hearing on a request by BMC Aggregates to rezone 77 acres described as the W ½ SW ¼ of Section 9 Township 91 North, Range 16 West of the 5th P.M. from A-1 to A-2 to expand the quarry known as Oltman Quarry.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve Iowa DOT Detour agreement for Hwy 3 Box Culvert Construction Project @ Cedar Ave. All ayes. Motion carried.

During the Engineer's Update Riherd discussed letters of support for the Packard Bridge. He also met with the City of Clarksville to discuss the process of purchasing land for a county shed. Riherd has also met with design teams regarding the new sheds and anticipate bid letting coming in the next few weeks.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:10 A.M. to January 27, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa, on January 20, 2026.

Attest: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

Greg Barnett, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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## BUTLER CO BOS • MINUTES 1.13.2026

### MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2026.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Greg Barnett with members Rusty Eddy and Wayne Dralle present. Moved by Dralle, second by Barnett to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve the January 2, 2026, minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment was received.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Eddy to approve the Treasurer's Semiannual Report. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following quarterly reports were reviewed and placed on file: Butler County Sheriff's Office Re-

port, County Recorder's Report of Feeds Collected, Auditor's Cash Report

County Auditor discussed upcoming FY27 Budget Workshops for Department Heads and scheduling outside entities funding requests.

Riherd explained the BUILD grant application process. Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve Resolution 14-2026 Approving 28E Agreement & Letter of Support for 2026 BUILD grant application (Packard Bridge over Shell Rock River). Roll was called: AYES: Dralle, Barnett, Eddy NAYS: None ABSENT: n/a and the resolution was approved as follows:

Resolution No. 14-2026

In Support of the Joint BUILD Grant Agreement & Letter of Support for the 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development

(BUILD) Grant Project

Whereas, Butler County, Iowa bridge FHWA number: 89500, also known as the Packard Bridge over the Shell Rock River, has been identified as being part of a joint Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Project, and

Whereas, it is desired by and in the interest of Butler County to participate fully in the BUILD project activities as a Primary Recipient and provide all requisite information necessary to bring to completion all project phases through final completion, and

Whereas, we are in support of Butler County providing Lead-recipient roles and duties, and

Whereas, we understand and accept the Primary Recipient roles and responsibilities as defined in

the "28E Cooperative Agreement for a Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development Equity (BUILD) Grant Project", and

Whereas, each County Bridge Owner as shown in Section 4, paragraph A-G shall be responsible for all local matching funds and accepts any costs exceeding the funds requested in the BUILD Grant application for their respective structure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa hereby approves and directs the Chair to sign this Letter of Support for the 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Project and the 28E Cooperative Agreement for a Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Project, and to provide all pertinent correspon-

dence and project information to:

Attn: John Riherd, P.E.  
Butler County Engineer

428 6th Street

PO Box 305

Allison, IA 50602

(319) 346-6558

Adopted this 13th day of January 2026.

Greg Barnett, Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

During the Engineer's update Riherd shared they are working on the Five Year Program and budget, an upcoming bridge letting and Tyler Duster is getting some classes taken.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Dralle to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of

Manure Management Short Form plans for JAART, LLC #1 and Iowa Select Farms, LLP.

Motioned by Dralle, second by Barnett to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:17 A.M. to January 20, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on January 13, 2026.

Attest: Leslie Groen, Butler County Auditor

Greg Barnett, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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SHERIFF'S LEVY AND SALE EQCV022215

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S LEVY AND SALE  
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
IN AND FOR BUTLER COUNTY  
STATE OF IOWA  
BUTLER COUNTY  
Iowa District Court Butler County  
Case #: EQCV022215  
Civil #: 26-000025  
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC  
VS  
QUENTEN GUILLES; NICOLE GUILLES; AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION  
X Special Execution  
General Execution  
Other  
As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, and execution was is-

sued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant(s)  
X Real Estate  
Personal Property  
X Described Below  
On attached sheet:  
To satisfy the judgment. The Property to be sold is  
LOTS 35 AND 36 IN T.A. DUMONT'S THIRD ADDITION TO DUMONT, BUTLER COUNTY, IOWA  
JUDGMENT IN REM  
Property Address: 110 SUNNY-SIDE AVE., DUMONT, IA 50625  
The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows:  
Sale Date 03/19/2026  
Sale Time 10:00

Place of Sale BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 428 6TH ST, ALLISON, IA 50602  
Homestead: Defendant is advised that if the described real estate includes the homestead (which must not exceed 1/2 acre if within a city or town plat, or , if rural, must not exceed 40 acres), defendant must file a homestead plat with the Sheriff within ten (10) days after the service of this notice, or the sheriff will have it platted and charge the costs to this case.  
Redemption: After the sale of real estate, defendant may redeem the property within \_\_\_\_  
X This sale not subject to Redemption.  
Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt.

Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable.  
Judgment Amount \$80,189.38  
Costs #14,823.08  
Accruing Costs PLUS  
Interest \$2,856.06  
Sheriff's Fees Pending  
Date 02/02.2026  
JASON S. JOHNSON  
BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF  
Attorney  
JANELLE G. EWING  
925 E. 4TH ST.  
WATERLOO, IA 50703  
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CITY OF CLARKSVILLE • MINUTES 2.2.2026

CITY OF CLARKSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING  
February 2, 2026  
The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on February 2, 2026 in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jerald Heuer presiding and Council Members: Jessi Reints, Jeremy Hoerman, Wesley Voss, and David Kelm. Absent: Ruth Saulsbury. City employees present were: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Jared Brunner, Maintenance Supt., and Chief Mackey. Members of the public present: Lucas Elsbernd, FehrGraham Engineering and Mark Crawford, Crawford Engineering.  
Motion Reints, Kelm to approve Agenda for February 2, 2026. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury.  
Clerk states that resident stopped in and wondered about water rates and if we were to do a Public Hearing. Clerk informed Council that we did do a Public Hearing along with 3 readings of Ordinance change in 2025 prior to new council members being voted in and this change was effective on January 1, 2026.  
Mayor Topics:  
1. Appoint City Clerk: Ordinance is not clear on the timeline for how often Clerk is to be appointed. Motion Reints, Voss to re-appoint Molly Bohlen as City Clerk. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury.  
2. Update on Nuisance Proper-

ties: Heuer updated on Rob Skillen's property giving him until April 1<sup>st</sup> to have property cleaned up and agreeing to provide updates on progress every 2 weeks. Heuer gave update on property owned by Wordes and rented to Hovenga. Heuer is speaking with Attorney regarding this property and pursuing Municipal Infraction.  
3. Discussion and Abatement of Properties: Heuer states there are some houses around town that are sitting idle without progress. He states that he has spoke with Garretson's whose house was struck by lightening in 2021. Garretson's provided update that they are getting estimates on tearing house down in the Spring. Other properties are the following: 313 E. Superior, 503 S. Adams, and 903 S. Main all are empty and Heuer will be looking at options on how to proceed. Heuer asks Council for their thoughts. Council agrees that this is worth pursuing. Mackey and Heuer state that they have attempted to have conversations with the property owner and it ends in them being screamed at.  
4. Home Industry/Home Occupation Application Discussion: Heuer states that a permit has been drafted. Clerk may have to add a few contingencies onto the permit for "no impact" home occupations and will have attorney look at the permit for approval, then will bring back to Council for review.  
Motion Reints, Voss to approve consent agenda including Janu-

ary Financial Reports & Claims, Minutes (01/19/2026), Lynch-Dallas Attorney Rate Increase and Safety Deposit Box Rental Rate Change. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury  
Motion Kelm, Hoerman to approve advertising and hiring of seasonal mowing position. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury  
Discussion of adding licensing and inspection of rental properties to Ordinances. Heuer states that he has spoke with an inspector regarding coming to town and completing the inspections. The inspector states for what the city might need done it would be more cost effective to keep the process in house. He recommends having a checklist when inspecting the rental and then posting that the inspection had been completed. The rentals would be on a 3 year rotation for complete inspections. Brunner also stated that Tripoli was in the process of implementing this process. Hoerman questioned if the trailer court would be included in this new inspection process also. Council feels this is something that they would like to proceed with.  
Motion Kelm, Hoerman to approve Henry Vance leasing land for farm use at 705 W Superior St. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury. Clerk will contact Attorney to draft new lease agreement.  
Motion Reints, Voss to approve

contribution to Clarksville Commercial Club to benefit the residents of Clarksville. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury.  
Church Street Discussion: Council and Maintenance had some questions regarding the estimates for the Project. Lucas stated that the numbers are preliminary pricing for budgeting purposes and once you move to the design part then the pricing may increase/decrease during that time period. Heuer provided his opinion on both companies. Council questioned timeline on beginning the project for a completion in the Fall. Both companies state that they would get started as soon as a decision was made.  
Motion Kelm, Voss to table decision on Church Street Project until next meeting in February. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury.  
Clerk provided update on Budget information to Council. Explained debt service and levy rate to Council and Mayor, as well as provided next steps in the budgeting process.  
Motion Voss, Kelm to adjourn regular City Council meeting at 7:21 pm. Ayes: Reints, Hoerman, Voss, Kelm. Nays: None. Absent: Saulsbury.  
Jerald Heuer, Mayor  
Attest: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk  
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