

CITY OF NORWAY
May 26th, 2026
Council Meeting Minutes

Regular meeting of the Norway City Council was called to order by Mayor Jim Nelson at 5:30 PM.

Roll Call:

Present: Darrell Schulte, Mike Schulte, Christopher Van Horn, and Robby Miller

Absent: Shawn Rudie

Motion by C. Van Horn to approve the agenda, previous meeting minutes, bills, and Ion's Water and Sewer Report as presented. Seconded by R. Miller. Motion carried, 4-0.

Further discussion was held regarding the sewer lagoon backup that occurred on April 13, 2026, which affected at least one residential property.

The bid proposal submitted by Prairie Road Builders for summer road work was discussed.

The upcoming water pressure booster system project was discussed again. The City is seeking additional information from the project engineer.

Discussion was held regarding a potential letter of opposition concerning the proposed natural gas power plant. No letter has been prepared at this time. Additional updates may be provided at future meetings.

Ordinance Amendment No. 354 – Civil Penalties remains pending while awaiting legal guidance from the City Attorney.

Motion by D. Schulte to approve the second reading of Ordinance Amendment No. 356 – Increasing Water Rates, effective July 1, 2026. The amendment includes increasing the water debt reduction fee from \$10.00 to \$37.00 and increasing all water rates by 30%. Seconded by R. Miller. Motion carried, 4-0.

Dangerous buildings and property nuisance violations were discussed.

313 Line Street – All nuisance violations had been remedied as of May 26, 2026.

The City published the Notice of Sale for the lot located on Sweetbriar Drive, Country View Estates – Auditor Parcel "C," consisting of approximately 0.33 acres. Bid packets became available on Wednesday, May 27, 2026, and bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on June 19, 2026. A public hearing will be held at 5:30 p.m. on August 10, 2026, at which time all bids will be opened, reviewed, and one bid selected. The minimum bid amount is \$20,000.00.

The City was notified of an increase in monthly I.T. service costs in the amount of \$8.55 per month.

Motion by R. Miller to appoint Erick Marks as the City's volunteer small project building inspector. Seconded by C. Van Horn. Motion carried, 4-0.

Motion by C. Van Horn, seconded by M. Schulte, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried, 4-0.

Jim Nelson, Mayor

Kennedy Judkins, City Clerk

Claims 5/11/26-5/26/26

IPERS-\$1,553.45, Iowa Dept. of Revenue & Finance-W.E.T & Sales Tax-\$634.73, US Cellular-Devices-\$54.37, 5/18/26 Employee Payroll-\$3,881.52, Menard's – Coffee Supplies- Clorox Wipes-Blue Towels-Light Bulbs(Library)-\$92.62, Iowa State University-Municipal Professional's Academy(Clerk)-\$250.00, Iowa Finance Authority – Water & Sewer Loan Payments(Incl. Interest & Service fees)-\$145,140.00, Norway Area Firefighters-License for Camera Subscription(Reimbursement)-\$99.95, Alliant-Electric-\$5,537.53, Menard's-Extension Cord(Fire Dept.)-\$17.97, Wellmark BC & BS – Health & Dental Insurance Premiums-\$1,941.75, Susan Hahn-Mileage Reimb.-Vinton/Urbana/Dysart Libraries-\$129.05, Menard's-Concrete Mix(x2–Public Works)-Wall Outlet(City Hall)-\$26.31, Menard's-AA Batteries-Fire Hose Nozzle(Fire Dept.)-\$43.29, Card Services-Amazon Books(Library)-ADT(Security Camera-Public Works)-\$729.62, Lynch Dallas-Legal Services-\$1,697.17, Jeff Osborn-FF1 Books Reimbursement(Fire Dept.)-\$119.95, BC Solid Waste-Tip Fees-\$241.95, L.L. Pelling-Road Patch-\$346.68. =**\$162,537.91.**