

CITY OF COUNTRYSIDE

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Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting of the City Council

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council Members

Mayor, Sean R. McDermott
City Clerk, Elizabeth Kmet
Treasurer, Courtney Bolt

Aldermen Thomas Mikolyzk, Scott Musillami, Tom Frohlich
John Von Drasek, Mark Benson and John Finn

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor McDermott. Alderman Mikolyzk led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call: City Clerk Kmet called the roll of those physically present as follows:

Present: Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Also Present: Mayor McDermott, City Clerk Kmet, Treasurer Bolt, City Administrator Paul, Assistant City Administrator Schutter, Police Chief Klimek, Deputy Clerk Cordova, City Attorney Peck, and City Engineer Sledz

2. **OMNIBUS AGENDA**

- a. Approval of City Council Meeting minutes of January 28, 2026.
- b. Approval of the statement of bills submitted for payment through February 11, 2026: \$526,946.65.

Motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Finn that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: 0

3. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - None.**
4. **MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor McDermott – No report**
5. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT – City Clerk Kmet - No report**
6. **TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer Bolt – No report**
7. **COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON:**
 - a. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Alderman Von Drasek – No report**
 - b. **FINANCE COMMITTEE – Alderman Finn – No report**
 - c. **HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE – Alderman Mikolyzk – No report**
 - d. **INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE – Alderman Benson**

Consideration to Enter into a Subscription Agreement with Perry Weather for an Outdoor Warning System and Weather Station.

Alderman Benson stated that he was going to present this item before City Council, but at the Infrastructure Committee meeting tonight the committee agreed to table it to a later date. Mayor McDermott agreed and the item has been tabled to a later date.

- e. **PLAN COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – City Attorney Peck – No Report**
- f. **SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE – Alderman Musillami – No report**
- g. **SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE – Alderman Musillami – No report**
- h. **FLAGG CREEK ADVISORY BOARD – Alderman Frohlich**

Consideration of an Engineering Agreement with Novotny Engineering in the amount of \$20,000 for the Preliminary, Design, and Construction Engineering for the Flagg Creek Golf Course Parking Lot Lighting Improvements.

Motion was made by Alderman Von Drasek, seconded by Alderman Mikolyzk that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: 0

8. LEGAL REPORT – City Attorney Peck - No report

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – City Administrator Paul

9.a. Consideration of Awarding a Contract to Green Demolition Contractors, Inc. 315 Brighton Street, LaPorte, IN 46350, in the amount of \$161,800.00 for the Building Demolitions at 5550 East Avenue (the old City Hall buildings).

City Administrator Paul said that she will have to table this item tonight. This item is the demolition of the old City Hall property, the annex building, and the four mock ups. Unfortunately, the low bidder Green Demolition Contractors notified the Clerk’s Office at about 3:30 pm this afternoon that they are pulling their bid. I spoke with our Staff Engineer Fitzgerald and he will be contacting the second lowest bidder and make sure that they will not pull their bid. We will come back at the next meeting with a recommendation.

10. STAFF REPORTS

a. Chief of Police – Chief Klimek - No report

b. City Engineer – Lukasz Sledz

Consideration of Waiving the Formal Bidding Process and Negotiating with Martam Construction Inc. of Elgin, IL for the 55th Street Water main Relocation Project.

Motion was made by Alderman Benson, seconded by Alderman Musillami that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: **6** Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: **0**

Consideration of Engineer's Pay Estimate Number 4 & Semi-Final in the Amount of \$35,537.77 to Nardulli Construction Company, Inc., 3735 N. Pontiac Avenue, Chicago, IL 60634 for the 2025 Street Rehabilitation project.

Motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Musillami that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: **6** Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: **0**

Consideration of Engineer's Pay Estimate Number 7 and Semi-Final in the Amount of \$151,776.66 to Unique Plumbing Company Inc., of Brookfield, IL for the 2024 Water Main Replacement.

Motion was made by Alderman Von Drasek, seconded by Alderman Finn that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: **6** Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: **0**

11. BUSINESS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON:

Alderman Von Drasek made a motion to direct City Legal to bring the setback issue that we had for the proper verbiage back to the Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Alderman Benson. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: **6** Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: **0**

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Benson that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Benson, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, and Alderman Von Drasek

Nay: 0

Mayor McDermott declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

APPROVED:

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Kmet, City Clerk

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