

December 10, 2025

The Dike City Council met for regular session on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at the Dike Public Library at 7 pm with Mayor Six presiding. Council in attendance: Camarata, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Lynch. Several members of the community were in attendance for the meeting.

Motion by Lynch to approve the consent agenda: sheriff's report, approval of minutes as presented, library report and delinquent utility bills. Second by Camarata. All ayes, motion carried.

Fire reports – 11 ems calls and 2 fire calls last month. Motion by Feaker to approve Paul Gilliam to the volunteer fire department. Second by Mikkelsen. All ayes, motion carried.

Nate spoke to the council regarding the LOSAP (Length of service award program) through the State of Iowa. It is a program to attract and retain volunteers by earning points for duty and training, which vest into financial benefits after three years of service. Iowa's matching program is 3-1 match on contributions up to \$500 annually per volunteer who qualifies. The City of Dike would be the fiscal agent by giving \$167 per volunteer. After discussion Camarata introduced Resolution #1210202501, A RESOLUTION AS THE FOLLOWING, WHEREAS, THE CITY OF DIKE DESIRES TO CREATE A PROGRAM BY RESOLUTION FOR A LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP) FOR VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE PROVIDERS, VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND RESERVE PEACE OFFICERS WHICH SATISFY ALL THE ELIGIBILITY, VESTING, DISTRIBUTION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN IOWA CODE SECTION 100B.51 AS ENACTED BY 2025 IOWA ACTS, HOUSE FILE 1002 AND TITLE 26 OF THE U.S. CODE (26 U.S.C SECTION 457(E)(11)); WHEREAS EMPLOYER DESIRES AND TO EXERCISE ITS AUTHORITY UNDER THE STATUTE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LOSAP'S PROPERTY OPERATION BY APPOINTING A THIRD PARTY TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAMS, AND TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN PERSONS TO ACT ON THE BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYER IN ALL PROGRAM MATTERS; AND WHEREAS, EMPLOYER, ACTING THROUGH ITS DESIGNEE, WILL ADOPT GUIDELINES FOR THE LOSAP, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF OR OTHER PERSON IN COMMAND OF THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS SERVING THE EMPLOYER, AND CREATE A DEDICATED ACCOUNT FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF FUNDING AND MANAGING ITS PROGRAM. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY OF DIKE ADOPTS THE PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZES THE RETENTION OF LICOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AS THE SERVICE PROVIDER TO OPERATE THE PRGRAMS ON THE EMPLOYERS BEHALF; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT LINDSAY NIELSEN, CITY CLERK IS AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND OPERATE THE PROGRAM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW. Second by Mikkelsen. Roll call vote: Ayes: Camarata, Feaker, Mikkelsen, Kauten and Lynch. Nays: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #1210202501, duly adopted.

Mike Geerdes from Grundy REC spoke to the council regarding electrical rate increase beginning January 2026. The rate increase from REC to the City of Dike will be 9.53%. Council will be looking at current rates and move forward to look at increase beginning in February 2026. More information will be during the January 2026 council meeting.

Iowa Regional Utilities Association let the City know that the increase was going to be 14% in water rates for 2026. After discussion and research council sent a letter regarding the contract with IRUA and City of

Dike to IRUA about the high increase. Per contract IRUA will be only increasing our water rate 3.1%. Council then discussed the water budget and new rates. Motion by Camarata to move forward with ordinance change to the water rates for 2026 at a 6% increase. Second by Lynch. All ayes, motion carried. Water ordinance reading will during the January meeting with increase to begin on February 2026 bills. The proposed rate would be \$5.9572 per 1000 gallons.

Sidewalks – Discussion was held regarding sidewalks in the business district. Angie Koop spoke to the council regarding having items on the sidewalk for patrons such as table and chairs. Motion by Camarata to write a new ordinance for business district sidewalks including 3 foot max from the wall of the building, permit needed, certain width requirements for Main Street from Elder Street to Main Street and special event permits. Second by Kauten. All ayes, motion carried. Ordinance will be presented for readings during the January Council meeting.

Snow Emergency – Discussion was held regarding the current snow emergency ordinance. No motions where made as council will continue review.

Generator quotes – council discussed the generator upgrade quotes. Motion by Camarata to table. Second by Lynch. All ayes, motion carried.

Superintendent’s report – Snow removal continues. Thank you to Aalderk’s for the tree on Main Street. Razzle Dazzle was cold but successful.

Motion by Feaker to approve the financial reports. Second by Mikkelsen. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Camarata to approve the bills to be allowed and paid. Second by Lynch. All ayes, motion carried.

Vendor Name	Item Description	Amount
BILLIE DALL HSA	HSA	570.00
ROBERT HEERKES HSA	HSA CONTRIBUTION	142.50
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SHANE METZ JR HSA	HSA	285.00
SHANE METZ JR HSA	HSA	114.00
SHANE METZ JR HSA	HSA	57.00
SHANE METZ JR HSA	HSA	57.00
SHANE METZ JR HSA	HSA	57.00
LINDSAY NIELSEN HSA	HSA	285.00
LINDSAY NIELSEN HSA	HSA	142.50
LINDSAY NIELSEN HSA	HSA	142.50
DAVID OSWALD HSA	HSA	285.00
DAVID OSWALD HSA	HSA	114.00
DAVID OSWALD HSA	HSA	57.00
DAVID OSWALD HSA	HSA	57.00
DAVID OSWALD HSA	HSA	57.00
PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK	TRUCKS/DUMPTRUCK LOAN	6,048.00
PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK	FIRE TRUCK LOAN	4,377.50
ROBERT BIERSNER	REIMBURSE FOR FILTER/HOSE	87.72

ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER LEASE	143.25
ACCESS SYSTEMS	LIBRARY COPIER	291.53
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	PERFECT VIEW	26.04
ASPRO INC	ASPHALT DRIVE 4TH STREET	555.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	190.94
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	44.43
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	102.73
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	87.87
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	206.22
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS BILL	53.17
BRAD FECKERS	SLUDGE REMOVAL	5,695.49
BUTLER GRUNDY DEVEL. ALLIANCE	DUES	3,385.00
CENTURYLINK	PHONE BILLS	208.78
CENTURYLINK	PHONE BILLS	146.02
CENTURYLINK	PHONE BILLS	288.02
CHRISTIE DOOR COMPANY	SHOP DOOR REPAIR	371.17
CIT SEWER SOLUTIONS	FY26 SEWER MAINTENANCE CONTRAC	16,089.50
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	15.70
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	10.07
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	54.30
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	249.96
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	42.87
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	1,069.40
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	153.17
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	21.35
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	72.71
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	612.18
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	162.81
CITY OF DIKE	ELECTRIC BILLS	447.99
COOLEY PUMPING	LANDFILL FEES	200.38
COOLEY PUMPING	LANDFILL FEES	224.89
COOLEY PUMPING	LANDFILL FEES	230.48
COOLEY PUMPING	GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICKUP	1,000.00
COOLEY PUMPING	GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICKUP	3,727.60
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	STREET CATCH BASIN/SUPPLIES	485.50
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INC. CO	ADD/LIFE INS PREMIUMS	50.00
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INC. CO	ADD/LIFE INS PREMIUMS	50.75
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INC. CO	ADD/LIFE INS PREMIUMS	50.00
DEMCO	LIBRARY SUPPLIES/BOOKCOVERS	126.61
DIKE FIRE DEPT	NOV25 FIRE CALL TRAINING	63.00
DIKE FIRE DEPT	NOV25 FIRE CALL TRAINING	118.00
DIKE FIRE DEPT	NOV25 FIRE CALL TRAINING	381.75
DIKE FIRE DEPT	NOV25 FIRE CALL TRAINING	140.00
ELECTRIC PUMP	NEW PANEL AT SEWER PLANT	4,504.50
EUROFINS ENVIROMENT TESTING	WWTP TESTING	567.00
EUROFINS ENVIROMENT TESTING	WWTP TESTING	201.96
FISHER WHITING MEMORIAL LIBRAR	LIBRARY BOOK	20.00
FORBIN	EMAILS	16.50
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	404.00
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	1,849.00
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	90.00
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	150.00
GREENS KEEPER LAWNS	WEED CONTROL	150.00
GRUNDY COUNTY SHERIFF	SHERIFF CONTRACT	8,793.33

GRUNDY COUNTY R.E.C.	REFUND GEN. REV DUE TO MISCALC	4,224.00
GRUNDY COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE	ELECTION EXPENSE	638.44
IA DEPT OF INSPECTIONS, APPEAL	WOLVERINE TRAIN PERMIT FEES	30.00
IMWCA	WORKERS COMP PREMIUMS	769.00
IMWCA	WORKERS COMP PREMIUMS	200.00
IMWCA	WORKERS COMP PREMIUMS	200.00
IMWCA	WORKERS COMP PREMIUMS	300.00
IMWCA	WORKERS COMP PREMIUMS	300.00
IOWA ONE CALL	ONE CALLS	41.40
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC	WATER BILL	12,550.72
ITRON, INC.	ITRON MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	1,000.00
ITRON, INC.	ITRON MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	1,031.02
KONKEN ELECTRIC LLC	ELECTRICAL AT SEWER PLANT	46.02
KONKEN ELECTRIC LLC	ELECTRICAL REPAIR/SUPPLIES	211.83
KONKEN ELECTRIC LLC	ELECTRICAL FOX RIDGE SIGN	10.52
KONKEN ELECTRIC LLC	FUSE	1,074.68
KONKEN ELECTRIC LLC	CHECK VFD AT SEWER PLANT	254.00
KWIK TRIP INC	FUEL	574.90
KWIK TRIP INC	FUEL	113.04
KWIK TRIP INC	FUEL	103.19
LISA BARBUTES	REFUND HALL RENTAL	125.00
LYNCH DALLAS P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	630.00
METROPOLITAN COMPOUNDS	SALT NEUTRALIZER SUPPLIES	980.37
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	LEGALS	18.62
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	LEGALS	84.65
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP	LEGALS	83.60
MIDWEST TAPE	LIBRARY DVD	23.24
MIKE ALBERS CONSTRUCTION	CONCRETE WAREHOUSE	1,200.00
O'DONNELL ACE HARDWARE	FURNACE FILTERS	6.99
O'DONNELL ACE HARDWARE	FURNACE FILTERS	160.93
PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	264.28
PITNEY BOWES INC	INK FOR POSTAGE MACHINE	91.29
PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE MACHINE	218.07
PLAY-PRO RECREATION	PLAYGROUND BUBBLE REPLACEMENT	970.00
QUILL CORPORATION	CLEANING SUPPLIES/GARBAGE BAGS	35.99
QUILL CORPORATION	CLEANING SUPPLIES/GARBAGE BAGS	74.99
QUILL CORPORATION	PAPER/26PLANNERS	45.33
QUILL CORPORATION	PAPER/26PLANNERS	26.77
QUILL CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	96.95
QUILL CORPORATION	PAPER AND PAPER TOWELS	153.88
ROBERT HEERKES	REIMBURSE SHOP SUPPLIES	11.99
ROBERT HEERKES	REIMBURSE SHOP SUPPLIES	18.46
SUPERIOR WELDING	OXYGEN	22.50
T-MOBILE	FIRE DEPT CELL PHONES	52.78
TYSON COMMUNICATIONS	LIBRARY INTERNET	97.49
UBBEN BUILDING SUPPLIES	SUPPLIES	5.99
UBBEN BUILDING SUPPLIES	SUPPLIES	232.71
UTILITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	WATER SUPPLIES	429.87
WAL-MART COMMUNITY BRC	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	135.10
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,000.00
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WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,000.00
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,073.73

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WELLMARK BLUE CROSS AND BLUE	HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS	1,000.00
BRIAN BOWMAN	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	168.00
MENARDS	CARPET PROTECTOR/SUPPLIES	159.96
MENARDS	CARPET PROTECTOR/SUPPLIES	20.65
MENARDS	HEATER FOR WATER PLANT	429.99
QUILL CORPORATION	CLEANING SUPPLIES	53.73
VISA	SUPPLIES/LIGHT BULBS	20.96
VISA	SUPPLIES/LIGHT BULBS	219.98
VISA	SUPPLIES/LIGHT BULBS	56.50
VISA	SUPPLIES/LIGHT BULBS	214.99
VISA	SUPPLIES/LIGHT BULBS	109.99
GRUNDY COUNTY R.E.C.	ELECTRIC BILL	37,645.85
		144,901.07

Oath of office was given to Ashley Beninga, Shannon Mikkelsen and Jeremy Kauten for council term January 2026-2029. Oath was also given to Sadie Six for Mayor for term January 2026-2027.

Mayor comments – Razzle Dazzle was a great success. The silent auction raised around \$850 to supports families in town. Big shout out to city maintenance for all the hard work with Razzle Dazzle and snow removal. Mayor Six also gave thanks to Jason Feaker for his service on council for the last four years. We thank him for his commitment and service to the City of Dike.

Motion by Feaker to adjourn the meeting. Second by Kauten. All ayes, motion carried.

Sadie Six, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lindsay Nielsen, City Clerk