

City of Preston
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday September 28, 2026

The City Council, the governing body of the City of Preston, State of Iowa, met in regular session in the Preston Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. Mayor, Tyler Sieverding called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL: Ganzer gave her final roll call for the City of Preston. Mayor Sieverding thanked her for her 25 years of service for the City of Preston.

Present: Adam Reuter, Matt Gerardy, Leesa Budde

Absent: Dylan Meyer, Matt Petersen

OTHERS PRESENT: Sheryl Ganzer, Tracey Lee, City Administrator/Clerk, Cathy Helmle, Deputy Clerk, Police Officer, Adam McPherson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by Gerardy, seconded by Budde. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Including minutes of the last meetings, Central Air Rebate- Doug Bormann- \$100, Central Air Rebate – Mike Stoecken - \$100, Gas Water Heater Rebate- Mike Highstrom. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Budde, seconded by Reuter. Motion carried unanimously.

BUS SHELTER: Nancy Kieffer approached the city about building a bus shelter at Twogood Park. The shelter will be constructed off site and placed at Twogood Park at no cost to the city. This shelter will be at the park during the winter months, then it will be stored at the city shed. A motion was made by Gerardy to approve the bus shelter and seconded by Reuter. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

WEST STREET STORM WATER: Discussion was held on funding the West street storm water project. Decisions were made to go forward with the engineering phase of the project at this time in the amount of \$55,000 to get the project started. A budget amendment will need to be made once the project is started. A motion was made by Reuter to proceed with the west street storm water project and seconded by Budde. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2026-03: Discussion was held on approving the first reading of Ordinance 2026-03: Amending and Repealing the Code of Ordinance of the City of Preston, Iowa 2026 by amending and repealing a portion of Title VI, Physical Environment, Chapter 4, Utilities,

Refuse Collection, section 6-4-6, Necessity of Permit. A motion was made by Budde to approve the first reading to amend the ordinance and seconded by Gerardy. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

GARBAGE RATES: Research was recently done on the garbage rates in comparison to other towns with commercial and residential accounts. The city of Preston is currently breaking even if not losing money in that department. We have decided to increase residential rates to \$25 and \$20 for an additional can. Commercial accounts will be charged \$50 a can and \$20 for an additional can, commercial dumpsters will be charged \$100 for a 2-yard dumpster and \$80 for each additional dumpster. There will be an amendment to the ordinance with 3 readings with the rate increase to be effective to January 1, 2027.

WWPI DIRECTOR: Due to the retirement of Ganzer, Tracey Lee has been named the New WPPI Director and Ray Ernst will be the alternate. A motion was made by Budde to appoint the new director and alternate and seconded by Gerardy. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMIT: A building permit was submitted by Tyler and Kelli Sieverding for new construction. A motion was made by Budde to approve the building permit and seconded by Reuter. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2027-11: Approval of a wage increase for Adam McPherson from \$31.05 per hour to \$32.00 per hour for completion of his EMT certification. A motion was made by Gerardy to approve Resolution 2027-11 wage increase and seconded by Reuter. Ayes, 3 Nays, 0. Motion carried.

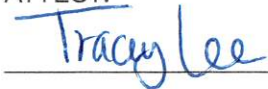
OTHER BUSINESS: A discussion was held on sidewalk repair updates, a 3rd letter will be sent out to property owners giving them until April 30th, 2027; to come up with a plan to repair their sidewalks or the city will act on the repairs with the residents paying for the costs. A nuisance property update was given, and the committee will be holding a meeting in the future to discuss another round of properties to be addressed.

ADJOURNMENT: With no other business to be discussed, Sieverding asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Budde, seconded by Reuter. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.



Tyler Sieverding, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tracey Lee, City Administrator/Clerk