

Minutes

The City Council of Raymond, Iowa met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Vick presiding, Council Members: Sorensen, Thies, Cronbaugh, Wellman, & Pint.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Vick

Motion to Approve Agenda: Pint/Thies, Ayes-5, Motion Carried

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: 6/15/26 Reg Minutes, Resolution 2026-1684 Payment of Bills/Transfers, Cronbaugh/Sorensen, Ayes-5, Motion Carried

Bills for July 6, 2026

City of Elk Run	\$10,701.91	Black Hawk County Law Enforce.	\$7,890.53
Iowa League of Cities	\$883.00	Gordon Flesch Corn	\$151.93
MidAmerican	\$1,232.70	Iowa One Call	\$40.41
T Mobile	\$35.32	New Star	\$324.62
Rydell Chevrolet	\$95.18	Wapsie Pines	\$979.98
Oelwein Publishing	\$148.70	IMWCA	\$3,210.00
BHC Emergency Management	\$1,198.26	IRS	\$1,517.42
Payroll	\$5,409.81		

Public Comments: Parking on lawns on Rosebud St. during ball games, can the parking lot have more parking spaces, residents along Lafayette Road, expressed concerns regarding the overgrown weeds and grass, insufficient grading, and the steepness of the ditches in the project area, electric bikes and motor scooters with kids going fast and running stop signs,

Fire Department Report: 14 calls for June, 1 new member

Engineering Report: MSA Engineers Jake Huck and Maddie Adkins joined the meeting at 6:30 PM to provide an update on the Lafayette Road Project, specifically the ditch areas. ASPRO, the contractor for the project, was responsible for road construction but subcontracted Tiedt Nursery of Waverly for landscaping work. The Iowa DOT, which is funding a significant portion of the project, requires 70% uniform grass coverage and enforces strict spring and late-summer timelines for grading and seeding. Tiedt Nursery did not meet the spring deadline; therefore, grading and seeding has been pushed back, scheduled between August 10th and September 30th. MSA was unable to provide an explanation for why ASPRO/Tiedt missed the spring seeding requirement. The City of Raymond will not be providing maintenance for these ditches, weed/grass ordinance will not be enforced during this time for these Lafayette Road ditches, homeowners are responsible for maintaining their ditches until grading and seeding occurs in August/September. A walkthrough with MSA, ASPRO, and the Mayor will take place prior to project completion. A warranty will need to be added to address any dips in the road and overall workmanship.

If any Lafayette Road homeowners are not happy with their ditches stop at City Hall, fill out a form concerning Lafayette Road Ditches.

Motion to Appoint: Mark Sorsensen to serve on Board of Adjustments, Pint/Cronbaugh, Ayes-5, Motion Carried

Motion to Table: Possible sale to Vernon James Kalkbrenner II of Parcel ID: 891235428011, property west of his home, 155 Windsor Ridge Dr. Raymond, Iowa, Cronbaugh/Thies, Ayes-5, Motion Carried

Discuss: Potential establishment of a joint Fire Department between Raymond and Elk Run, which would include integrated ambulance services

Motion to Approve: Resolution 1685, The conspicuous location for posting public meeting notices in compliance with House File 2490. Continuing to post a 24 hour notice of public meetings at City Hall, Post Office, news media that have requested in the past, and now on the City of Raymond website <http://raymondia.us>, Cronbaugh/Sorensen, Ayes-5, Motion Carried

Communications: Playground needs more woodchips, new updates for code violation organization,

Adjournment: 7:11 PM