

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
ZEARING CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL, ZEARING, IOWA
MARCH 30, 2026**

6:47pm Mayor Beard called the meeting to order and roll call was taken; Present: Adams, Perisho, Pascuzzi, Johnson. Absent: Hill.

Adams motioned to approve the agenda, Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Combining the city's workman's comp coverage with the rest of our insurance was discussed. The yearly charge with EMC would be a little more than IMWCA, but EMC does not require the fire fighters to get regular physical. Not paying for the physicals more than makes up for the difference in premium cost. Perisho motioned to go with EMC for our workman's comp insurance, Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Troester was present to answer questions the council had about him redoing the city website.

6:55pm Hill arrived.

Some primary goals are to make the site cleaner, ADA compliant, easy to manage for the city. Discussion was had about access to the site, encryption, analytics. Troester does have a different full-time job, but depending on what our request for support is, he should be able to respond quickly. The hosting providers he will use are no cost until certain thresholds (users per day or number of posts made) are crossed and then low cost after that. He will keep us informed of any changes to those and invoice as changes occur. He will move ahead with the project and start work with what is available on the current website.

Perisho motioned to schedule the FY27 Proposed Budget Public Hearing for April 20, 2026 at 6:30pm, Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Pascuzzi motioned to give Ordinance 182, an ordinance increasing water rates by 14%, it's first reading. Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Perisho motioned at 7:13pm to adjourn the meeting, Adams seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Marlin Beard, Mayor Zearing, Iowa

Attested:
Amy Womeldorff, Zearing City Clerk

