

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, January 22, 2026**  
**4:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Van Otterloo, Council members Kooima, De Kam, Koldenhoven and Faber. City Administrator Van Maanen and City Clerk Vande Kamp. **ABSENT:** Council member Van't Hul.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Police Chief Warburton; Activities Director Eichmann; Kurt Franje, and Rock Valley Bee Reporter Kelly Vander Pol.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On a motion by Koldenhoven and a second by Kooima to approve the agenda with three additions: 1) Approve a committee appointment by Mayor Van Otterloo; 2) Review a parking issue; and 3) Review a request for a small cell tower downtown. All ayes, motion carried.

The Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities Safety Group dividends to members were reviewed.

Flood recovery and FEMA news were discussed.

Council member De Kam introduced Resolution No. 1059-26 entitled, "*Resolution to Hire Engineering Firm for the Sports Complex Bridge Replacement Project*" and made a motion to adopt. Council member Faber seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Faber, Koldenhoven, De Kam and Kooima. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Van't Hul. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Council member Koldenhoven introduced Resolution No. 1060-26 entitled, "*Resolution Approving Tax Abatement Applications*" and made a motion to adopt. Council member Kooima seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Kooima, De Kam, Koldenhoven and Faber. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Van't Hul. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Council member Faber introduced Resolution No. 1061-26 entitled, "*Resolution Approving Commercial and Industrial Tax Abatement Applications*" and made a motion to adopt. Council member De Kam seconded the motion. The roll was called and vote was, AYES: Faber, Koldenhoven, De Kam and Kooima, NAYS: None. ABSENT: Van't Hul. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Purposed changes to the City's peddler's permit ordinance were reviewed. The Council authorized City Attorney Cleveringa to update the ordinance with the purposed changes.

A mobile food vendor ordinance was reviewed. The Council authorized City Attorney Cleveringa to prepare an ordinance to be added to the City of Rock Valley's Code of Ordinances.

A request to allow street parking on Rock Ridge Drive was discussed. The Council directed City Attorney Cleveringa to prepare a letter allowing for an exemption for parking only on the south side of Rock Ridge Drive from Rock Ridge Road to Tower Road until April 1, 2026.

A request to add glamping sites at Rivers Bend Campground was discussed. Campground Manager will return with a contract for one glamping site.

Adding three pickleball courts to the community was discussed. Recreation Director Eichmann will return with a preferred location and layout plan.

The Northwest Iowa Landfill annual meeting information was discussed. Fees on residential waste increased \$1.00 per ton.

On a motion by Koldenhoven and a second by Faber to approve a funding request from Mid-Sioux Opportunities in an amount not to exceed \$3,000. All ayes, motion carried.

The Iowa League of Cities legislative update was shared.

Mayor Van Otterloo appointed Council members Kooima and Van't Hul to the budget committee.

The Council directed City Attorney Cleveringa to issue a letter to a property owner who is currently leasing a parcel of city-owned property that has become a nuisance concern.

A small cell tower being placed downtown was discussed.

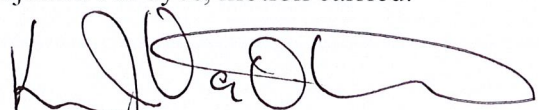
On a motion by Kooima and a second by De Kam to approve a Class B Retail Alcohol license renewal for Dollar General. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by De Kam and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the November and December council meeting minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Kooima and a second by Faber to approve the Rock Valley Municipal Housing Authority's December financial report as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Faber and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the ACH, Rock Valley Ambulance Service, Fire Department, Municipal Housing Authority and City bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by Koldenhoven and a second by De Kam to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.



Kevin Van Otterloo  
Mayor



Attest: Tina Vande Kamp  
City Clerk

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2026**  
**4:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Koldenhoven, Council members Kooima, De Kam, Faber and Van't Hul. City Administrator Van Maanen and City Clerk Vande Kamp. **ABSENT:** Mayor Van Otterloo.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney Cleveringa; Police Chief Warburton; City Foreman Van Ginkel; Activities Director Eichmann; Development Director Rosman; and Rock Valley Bee Reporter Kelly Vander Pol.

The Mayor Pro Tem called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On a motion by De Kam and a second by Kooima to approve the agenda with one addition: 1) Discussion on City-Owned Land on 14<sup>th</sup> Street. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Koldenhoven proclaimed January as National Human Trafficking Prevention month and encourages our citizens to become more familiar with the problem and to work toward solutions.

On a motion by Van't Hul and a second by Kooima to approve pay request #5 and final for the Summit Drive Paving project. All ayes, motion carried.

On a motion by De Kam and a second by Faber to approve pay request #7 and final for the Well #10 Construction project. All ayes, motion carried.

Potential upcoming capital projects were discussed.

A request by Verizon Wireless to install a small cell tower in the right-of-way was discussed.

Estimated tax-increment financing revenues and property valuations were reviewed.

A natural gas extension by MidAmerican Energy in the Rock Ridge Addition was discussed.

Several nuisance complaints were discussed. Nuisance properties will be addressed by City staff.

FEMA and flood recovery efforts were reviewed. Replacing the walking bridge connecting the school to the Sports Complex was discussed. Engineering services will be obtained to proceed with the project.

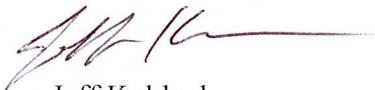
FEMA's termination of lease for the Rock Ridge Trailer Court was reviewed.

The Rock Valley Police Department's monthly activity report was reviewed.

On a motion by De Kam and a second by Koldenhoven to approve the Rock Valley Ambulance Service, Fire Department, Municipal Housing Authority and City bills as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Recreation Director Eichmann shared that the winter adult volleyball league has started with about 50 people participating.

On a motion by De Kam and a second by Van't Hul to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.



Jeff Koldenhoven  
Mayor Pro Tem



Attest: Tina Vande Kamp  
City Clerk