CITY OF HAYWARD
SAWYER COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, October 12, 2026
MINUTES

Mayor Gillis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Present:	Mayor Gillis, Ald. Disher, Ald. Hand, Ald. Hill, Ald. Hofer, Ald. Lang, Ald. Miller, Ald. Williamson
Council Absent:	Ald. Kreyer
Others Present:	Attorney Kelsey, Director McCue, Chief Savitski, Clerk Poppe, Darlene Kirchdoerfer, Rich Jackson

Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Christmas in Hayward – Schedule of Events
Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson, to approve the 2026 Christmas in Hayward schedule of events as submitted by Billie Jo Sabin on October 5, 2026, to include the weekend of November 27th – Sleigh Rides & Santa; the weekend of December 5th – Sleigh Rides, Santa & Parade; and the weekend of December 12th – Sleigh Rides & Hot Chocolate Crawl. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 26-07: Collection of the 2026 Real Estate Taxes
Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hill, to approve and adopt Resolution No. 26-07: Collection of the 2026 Real Estate Taxes, as read by Attorney Kelsey. Roll Call Vote: Ald. Disher - yes, Ald. Hand - yes, Ald. Hill - yes, Ald. Hofer - yes, Ald. Lang - yes, Ald. Miller - yes, Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 26-07
Collection of Property Taxes

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAYWARD hereby indemnifies Sawyer County for the collection of the 2026 real property taxes collected by the City of Hayward Treasurer.

That the City of Hayward Treasurer will account for and pay over according to law all taxes of any kind which are received, and which are required to be paid to the county treasurer.

In the event the treasurer thereof shall fail to do so, the City of Hayward is obligated to pay all taxes of any kind required by law to be paid by such treasurer to the county treasurer.

Ald. Disher made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson, to approve the following:

1. Minutes: Regular Council of 09/14

2. From Police & Fire of 10/12:

A. Attorney Kelsey to research and draft an ordinance regulating e-bikes & e-scooters within the City of Hayward.
B. Drafting of an ordinance regarding vape shops – table at this time, to defer to the state to monitor and regulate the vape shops at this time.
C. The costs associated with police transports and holds – table at this time, Attorney Kelsey to research the issue of who is statutorily responsible for the costs associated with the holds and transports, discuss the issue with county officials, and report back to the council with his findings.
D. Amending Ordinance Fees – table at this time, Attorney Kelsey stated that the state is amending court fees; Attorney Kelsey will research the effects of the court fee amendments to the city and report back to the council with his findings.
E. Selling the 2016 & 2017 Taurus squad cars – Chief Savitski to get what he can for the vehicles.
F. Selling the police department e-bike – Chief Savitski to get what he can for the e-bike.
G. Relocation of the warning siren from the Bay Avenue Tower to the Nyman Avenue Tower – table at this time.
H. Replacement of the fire hall roof ($60,400) – table at this time, Director McCue to discuss storm damages with the insurance adjuster.

3. From Public Works of 10/12:

A. Removal of the decorations from the cemetery – Director McCue advised the council that the public works department will be removing items from the grave sites in the coming days.

B. Awarding the bid to mow Greenwood Cemetery for the 2027 season to Mike Neibert, Affordable Property Maintenance, for an amount of $20,000.
C. The 2027 agreement between the City of Hayward and the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce for the maintenance and operation of the public bathrooms as presented.
D. The sale of the Snow Dogg pickup sander to the Town of Hayward for $7,000.
E. The purchase of a 60" power angling broom for the trackless from MacQueen Equipment for an amount of $12,692.
F. Planters on Main Street – the city to decorate the planters on Main Street for the holiday season.
G. Holding off on the submission of a grant application for local improvement grant funding.
H. Sawyer County's request to install radio equipment on the Nyman Avenue Water Tower and the removal of the old equipment from the Bay Avenue Water Tower.
I. The agreement between the City of Hayward and VMC, LLC for on call general engineering professional services regarding the AT&T Cell / Bay Avenue Tower for an amount not to exceed $10,000.
J. Payment in the amount of $11,167.49 to Scott's Sandblasting for pressure washing and re-staining the siding on city hall (damages sustained from hail).
K. Replacement of city hall roof ($66,000) – holding off on the roof replacement until Director McCue has a chance to speak with the insurance adjuster regarding storm damages to the roof.
L. Sawyer County's request to access power at four points along Main Street via the light poles to power wi-fi and camera equipment.

4. From Finance of 10/12:
A. The quote submitted by Municipal Property Insurance Company in the amount of $28,372 for the 2026-2027 insurance coverage of the city's buildings, personal property, property in the open, contractors equipment, bridges, piers and equipment breakdown.
B. The payment of City General Fund Checks numbered 39493 through 39554; Water & Sewer Fund Checks numbered 12790 through 12819; and the September account transfers.

5. The issuance of an operator license (Regular: June 30, 2027) **to**: Sharla M Pedrianna, Cecilia A Vieceli, and Georgia R Bogat.

Roll Call Vote: Ald. Disher - yes, Ald. Hand - yes, Ald. Hill - yes, Ald. Hofer - yes, Ald. Lang - yes, Ald. Miller - yes, Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

Public Comments
Darlene Kirchdoerfer addressed the mayor and council members regarding safety concerns relating to e-bikes and e-scooters.

Executive Session
Ald. Miller made a motion, seconded by Ald. Hofer, to go into executive session per §19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation in which the city is or is likely to become involved; and per §19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Roll Call Vote: Ald. Disher - yes, Ald. Hand - yes, Ald. Hill - yes, Ald. Hofer - yes, Ald. Lang - yes, Ald. Miller - yes, Ald. Williamson – yes. Motion carried. Ayes (7), Nays (0)

Action from Executive Session
No action was taken.

Adjournment
Ald. Lang made a motion, seconded by Ald. Williamson, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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*Gary Gillis, Mayor *Lisa Poppe, City Clerk-Treasurer

Prepared By: Clerk Poppe