

July 9, 2026, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of Apple Valley, Dakota County, Minnesota, held July 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., at the Apple Valley Municipal Center.

Present: Mayor Hooppaw, Councilmembers Bergman, Hiebert, and Melander

Absent: Grendahl

City staff members present were: City Administrator Lawell, City Clerk Scipioni, City Attorney Bauer, City Engineer Anderson, Community Development Director Benetti, Parks and Recreation Directory Carlson, Deputy Police Chief Dahlstrom, Police Chief Francis, Assistant City Administrator Grawe, Human Resources Manager Haefner, Finance Director Lemarr, Fire Chief Nelson, and Public Works Director Saam.

1. Call to Order and Pledge

Mayor Hooppaw called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Everyone took part in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2. Approve Agenda

Motion: of Bergman, seconded by Melander, approving the agenda for tonight's meeting as presented. Ayes - 4 - Nays - 0.

3. Audience

Mayor Hooppaw asked if anyone was present to address the Council, at this time, on any item not on this meeting's agenda.

James Johnson, Dakota County Public Health Opioid Prevention Coordinator, spoke regarding programs offered by Dakota County to support opioid prevention and upcoming events to highlight Overdose Awareness Month.

4. Consent Agenda

Mayor Hooppaw asked if the Council or anyone in the audience wished to pull any item from the consent agenda. There were no requests.

Motion: of Hiebert, seconded by Bergman, approving all items on the consent agenda with no exceptions. Ayes - 4 - Nays - 0.

Consent agenda items

- A. Approve minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 2026
- B. Approve State Gambling Exempt Permit for Apple Valley Ducks Unlimited, Chapter 185, on October 3, 2026, at Bogart's Entertainment Center, 14917 Garrett Avenue

- C. Receive Apple Valley Firefighters Relief Association Certification of 2027 Financial Requirements
- D. Receive 2025 Police Department Annual Report
- E. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-85** approving the sale of Police K-9 Bergil
- F. Approve declaration restricting Cobblestone Lake property and authorize recording of the document for Project 2024-158, Cobblestone Lake Park Trail Improvements (2023 Parks Bond Referendum)
- G. Approve encroachment agreement for retaining wall encroachment at 7182 121st Street W. (Lot 4, Block 5, Briar Oaks of Apple Valley 2nd Addition)
- H. Approve 2026 rates for LOGIS fiber optic managed services
- I. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-86** declaring intent to reimburse certain expenditures from the issuance of bonds
- J. Approve financial guarantee reduction for Skyline Social and Games, Project PC25-07
- K. Approve agreement with Metropolitan Council for the 2026 Community Assisted Lake Monitoring Program
- L. Approve agreement with Metropolitan Council for the 2026 Clean Water Fund Grant Agreement
- M. Apple Valley Liquor Store #2 Phase 2
 - 1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-87** awarding agreement for Apple Valley Liquor Store #2 Phase 2
 - 2. Approve procedures for administering Apple Valley Liquor Store #2 Phase 2 Change Orders
 - 3. Approve Agreement for Lozier Display Shelving and Installation with AA Equipment Company, Inc.
- N. Approve professional services agreement with I & S Group, Inc., d/b/a ISG Inc., for development of a Community Center Business Plan
- O. Approve statement of work with InvoiceCloud, Inc., for the provision of credit card biller ID numbers
- P. Approve agreement with Pro-Tec Design, Inc., for installation of security cameras and card readers as part of Project 2024-186, Community Center & Senior Center Connection and Renovation (2023 Parks Bond Referendum)
- Q. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-88** accepting easements for Project 2026-130, Apple Valley 11th and 12th Additions Electrical Conversion Phase 2
- R. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-89** awarding agreement for Project 2026-130, Apple Valley 11th and 12th Additions Electrical Conversion Phase 2
- S. Approve Change Order No. 4 to agreement with Kraus-Anderson Construction Company for Project 2024-190, Kelley Park Renovation (2023 Parks Bond Referendum)
- T. Approve Change Order No. 1 to agreement with Keys Well Drilling Company, for Project 2024-136A, Well 16 Recommissioning, and approve acceptance and final payment
- U. Approve acceptance and final payment on agreement with Taylor Electric Company, LLC, for Project 2024-136B, Well 16 Recommissioning
- V. Approve acceptance and final payment on agreement for Project 2021-172, Police Garage to single contractor
- W. Approve acceptance and final payment on agreement with McNamara Contracting, Inc., for Project 2025-105, 2025 Street Improvements
- X. Approve claims and bills
- Y. Approve Personnel Report

5. Regular Agenda

A. Proclaim July 2026 as “Park and Recreation Month”

Mr. Carlson highlighted the work done by the Parks and Recreation Department and thanked its staff for all they do for the community. Mr. Carlson read the proclamation

Motion: of Hiebert, seconded by Melander, proclaiming July 2026 as “Park and Recreation Month” in the City of Apple Valley. Ayes - 4 - Nays – 0.

B. Interim Ordinance Authorizing a Study and Imposing a Moratorium on Data Centers

Mr. Benetti provided an overview of the proposed resolution and ordinance.

Mayor Hooppaw called the public hearing to order at 7:15 p.m. to consider the proposed resolution and ordinance. The Mayor asked for questions or comments from the Council and the audience.

Mary Rue, 8163 137th Ct., asked clarifying questions regarding the proposed ordinance.

Mr. Benetti answered Ms. Rue’s questions.

The hearing was declared closed at 7:17 p.m.

Motion: of Bergman, seconded by Melander, adopt **Resolution No. 2026-90** authorizing an interim use study regarding the planning, development, and regulation of data centers. Ayes - 4 - Nays - 0.

Motion: of Bergman, seconded by Melander, passing Ordinance No. 1158 instituting a moratorium that restricts the establishment of new data centers, expansion of existing data centers, and/or development of property for a proposed data center during the interim use study. Ayes - 4 - Nays - 0.

6. Communications

Mr. Anderson provided information about upcoming road closures.

Chief Nelson stated the Fire Department is hiring paid-on-call firefighters. He encouraged community members to apply by July 17.

The Mayor and Council thanked community members, local organizations, and City staff for all their efforts creating another wonderful Freedom Days celebration.

7. Calendar of Upcoming Events

Motion: of Bergman, seconded by Melander, approving the calendar of upcoming events as included in the Deputy City Clerk’s memo, and noting that each event listed is hereby deemed a Special Meeting of the City Council. Ayes - 4 - Nays – 0.

8. Adjourn

Motion: of Hiebert, seconded by Melander, to adjourn. Ayes - 4 - Nays – 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina M. Scipioni, City Clerk

Approved by the Apple Valley City Council on July 23, 2026.


