City of Haven

City Council Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
Haven City Hall, Council Chamber

1. Call to Order

Mayor: Adam Wright
Call to Order Time: 7:00 PM

Moment to Honor Those in Military, First Responders, and Public Service

2. Roll Call

Councilmembers' Present:

- Ciara Powers
- Corey Brock
- Shelli Rettig
- Nicole Sander

Councilmembers Absent:

- Sherri Schneider

Staff Present:

- City Clerk – Josephine Harper
- Public Works Director – Steve Carmichael
- Chief of Police – Matt Hayden
- City Attorney – Kendra Stacey

3. Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

4. Public Hearing – Amended 2026 Budget

Mayor Wright opened the public hearing for the amended 2026 budget. The City Clerk explained that a previously published budget page was incorrect and that the amended figures reflected the budget intended for approval. No public testimony was given. Mayor Wright closed the hearing. A motion to adopt the amended 2026 City Budget as presented was made by Brock and seconded by Powers; the motion carried.

5. Consent Agenda

Items:

1. Minutes from September 21, 2026.
2. Accounts Payable for September 22 to October 5, 2026

Motion: To approve the consent agenda and amend the regular agenda to add the Fall Festival Ordinance first thing under “Old Business”.
Moved by: Sander
Seconded by: Powers
Vote:
Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Result: Passed

6. Regular Agenda

A. Old Business

Item: Ordinance 741 – Common Consumption for Haven Fall Festival

Discussion Summary:

Council considered the common-consumption ordinance associated with Fall Fest.

Action Taken: A motion to approve Ordinance No. 741 was made and seconded
Motion: Sander
Second: Rettig
Vote:
Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Result: Passed

Item: Consider Ordinance 742 for Electric Scooters

Discussion Summary:

Council discussed revisions to the electric scooter ordinance, including language concerning throttles.

Action Taken: A motion to approve Ordinance No. 742 was made
Vote:
Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Result: Passed

B. New Business

Item: Consider Bond Presented by Joey McLiney

Discussion Summary:

Joey McLiney presented options for a general obligation bond issuance, including a proposed $5 million principal amount and comparisons of 20-year and 30-year terms. Council discussed sales tax and user-fee funding assumptions, security, ratings, and financing steps.

Action Taken: Motion to proceed with a $5 million bond issuance over a 20-year term
Motion: Sander
Second: Brock
Vote:
Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Result: Passed

Item: Consider Alternative Payment for Staff Christmas Bonus

Discussion Summary:

Council discussed options for delivering employee Christmas bonuses and related administrative and financial considerations.

Action Taken: Tabled for next meeting
Motion: N/A
Vote: N/A

Item: Council Discussion with Mayor Regarding Concerns from Meeting on September 21, 2026.

Discussion Summary:

Council and Mayor had discussion regarding when the mayor is absent the council president would like to have a heads up. The council also brought up multiple citizens have asked them if the mayor is moving. The mayor informed the council his personal life is not a subject that needs discussed at a council meeting and when he has a plan he will let them know and as of right now he does not have a plan.

Motion: N/A
Vote: N/A

6. Staff Reports

Harper, City Clerk, gave general updates.
Carmichael, Public Works Director, gave general updates.
Hayden, Chief of Police, gave general updates.

7. Executive Session

Sander moved that that the Council recess into executive session for 15 minutes, with City Attorney and City Clerk present, to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, specifically applicants for the City Treasurer position, and that the open meeting resume in the Council Chambers at 8:00 PM. Powers seconded. Motion carried.

Upon return to open session, it was announced that no binding action had been taken in executive session.

Following executive session, a recommendation was made by Mayor Wright to hire Travis Pop as City Treasurer at a stated salary of $2,000, with additional compensation $12 an hour for extra work when the City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk are absent. and seconded and was announced carried.

Action Taken: A motion to approve the mayor's recommendation was made.
Motion: Powers
Second: Rettig
Vote:

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Result: Passed

8. Council Discussion

Councilmembers raised general discussion items, requested future agenda topics, or provided brief updates.

Notes:
Sander - Requested further discussion of issues not fully addressed during the workshop.
Rettig – Feels the mayor does address the council a little unprofessionally.
Brock – Nothing at this time
Powers – Inquired about the process of installing stop signs.

9. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn:
Moved: Sander
Seconded: Brock
Vote:
Yes: 5 No: 0
Motion Result: Passed
Adjournment Time: 8:04 pm

Mayor_____

Attest:
City Clerk: _____