

## January 5, 2026

The regular session of the Danville City Council was called to order on Monday, January 5, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Danville City Hall by Mayor Jerry Strause. Council present were Taylor Eisenmann, Joe Huff, Ben Heckenberg, and Dustin Furnald. Absent was Cecelia Schnathorst. City employees present were Public Works Supt/Fire Chief Bryon Heater and City Clerk Caitlin Erickson.

Huff motioned and Furnald seconded to accept the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

There were no comments received during open forum.

The Mayor made the following appointments:

- A. Mayor Protem for 2026: Furnald
- B. Council assignments for 2026:
  - Schnathorst: Policy, Park & Rec., Sanitation
  - Heckenberg: Water and Sewer
  - Furnald: Public Safety
  - Huff: Electric
  - Eisenmann: Streets
- C. Council assignments regarding disaster plan for 2026:
  - Furnald: East & West Roosevelt and south to the city limits.
  - Huff: west side of Main Street to west city limits, between West Roosevelt Road & Old Highway 34
  - Eisenmann: Plank Road and North Main Street, everything north of the railroad tracks, then to the fire station
  - Heckenberg: report to the north school parking lot first, then the east side of Main Street, between East Roosevelt to Old Highway 34
  - Schnathorst: report to the Fire Station first then go to where needed.

Council motions to designate the following for 2026: Cray Law Firm, Burlington, as the City's law firm; the Burlington Beacon; French-Reneker-Assoc., Fairfield, as the city's engineer; the DMC Sheriff's department as the city's animal control officer; to designate the Burlington Animal Shelter as the city's animal control site. Huff motioned; Heckenberg seconded to approve all the designated selections. All ayes, motions carried.

Motion made to make to following appointments: to reappoint Samantha Dill to the Planning and Zoning board, term ending December 31, 2031; to reappoint Sue Strause to the Planning and Zoning board, term ending December 31, 2031; and to reappoint Lee Inghram on the Board of Adjustment, term ending December 31, 2031. All ayes, motion carried.

Furnald motioned and Huff seconded to appoint Mayor Strause to be the City's representative to the DMC Solid Waste Commission for 2026. All ayes, motion carried.

Huff motioned and Heckenberg seconded to approve Resolution 2026-01 naming Mayor Strause as the representative and Council member Huff as the alternate to the DMC Emergency Management Commission. Roll call vote: Furnald – aye; Huff – aye; Heckenberg – aye; Eisenmann – aye; Schnathorst- absent. Motion carried.

Furnald motioned and Huff seconded to approve Resolution 2026-02 naming of the financial institution depository for the City of Danville. Roll call vote: Eisenmann – aye; Heckenberg – aye;; Huff – aye; Furnald – aye, Schnathorst – absent. Motion carried.

Huff motioned and Heckenberg seconded to approve Resolution 2026-03, updating the City’s investment policy. Roll call vote: Furnald – aye; Huff – aye; Heckenberg – aye; Eisenmann – aye; Schnathorst – absent. Motion carried.

Approval was made of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Billing. One estimate was presented for Boomerang, requesting the amount of \$415,538.52. Huff motioned; Furnald seconded to approve the estimate. Eisenmann abstained due to conflict of interest. All ayes, motion carried.

Heater did not give a fire chief report due to a special joint meeting with the trustees and townships, scheduled for after the regular council meeting.

Heater presented the public works report. Huff motioned Furnald seconded to approve the report. All ayes, motion carried.

- WWTP update. Pipe crew has arrived and structures have been set between cells 2 and 3. Aerator piping has been run between blower building and cells 1 and 2. Downtime was noted due to the Holidays.
- Metering- Still no major update on this. SEIRPC and IEDA are working through a BABA waiver with the US DoE for the metering updates on the GRID grant. Meters have been ordered and delivered to MTS, just awaiting the waiver for shipping to us. 12/5/25 DoE correspondence noted that Danville was in the final stage of waiver status, but could take 35-70 days to complete.
- Streets were cleaned up from the 12/13 snow, only snow that remains is where large piles were.
- RFP for Professional Services (GRID grant engineering) was sent to the Beacon and published. Response deadline of 1/12/2026. Scope of work and bids will be calculated and presented at the January 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 meeting.
- Starter was replaced on the 1-ton dump truck, various other maintenance was done to City equipment.
- Totalizers were reset at the Water Plant (28,338,671) and WWTP (43,201,000)
- Various forms and information have been updated on the City website.
- Christmas light displays were taken down and put away. 1 train car needs repairs. Will work with Gibbar to remove pole mounted decorations within the next couple of weeks.
- Steering Committee is being put together for the ISU community grid resilience project. This looks to start up again in February

Huff motioned and Eisenmann seconded to approve the 2026 Sealcoat work rates as presented by LL Pelling. All ayes, motion carried. The selection of streets to be done will be made at a later date.

Huff motioned, Eisenmann seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented (council minutes of December 15, 2025; and payment of the bills.) All ayes, motion carried.

Payroll	9,810.84	12/10/25-12/23/25
Alliant Energy	593.91	gas/electric from Nov to Dec
Burlington Municipal Water	8,802.52	water for Nov.
Cintas	47.21	service med kit
City of Danville	178.00	utility deposit refund
Danville State Bank	286.77	office supplies, postage, septic lid
Fire Service Training Bureau	50.00	testing fee
Gibber Electric	7,936.12	contract work
Hach Company	386.10	water solution

Ion Environmental Solutions	1,515.00	monthly testing fee
Iowa One Call	22.50	locate calls
Menards	240.37	vehicle maint., heater, rapid safe
The Burlington Beacon	55.19	publication charges
New London Municipal	784.26	standby gen charge for January
Amazon Business	199.99	skid steer attach., gloves, clothing
LaVeine Sanitation	3,898.60	garbage for Dec.
DMC Solid Waste Comm.	1,437.35	monthly service

Total amount of bills listed \$36,244.73 to be paid from the following accounts: General \$3,027.01; RUT \$2,211.70; Water \$11,731.16; Sewer \$3,024.77; Electric \$10,566.72; Sanitation \$5,505.37; Utility Deposit \$178.00.

Review of PTO hours. Heckenberg motioned to approve; Furnald seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion was held on a letter received by Burlington Library. Council chose to take no action on the letter.

Discussion and action were held on the City's software agreement with Tyler Technologies. The City currently uses Tyler's Fundbalance program, which will lose technical support at the end of 2026. Although the council previously authorized an agreement for ERP Pro 10, the company did not provide adequate information regarding the scope, staffing needs, or implementation timeline, nor did it provide a Statement of Work. The council authorized Erickson to consult the City Attorney about terminating the contract and recovering funds, and to contact Frey, a software provider better suited for small municipalities with a shorter implementation process. Furnald motioned; Huff seconded to authorize the City Clerk to proceed. All ayes, motion carried.

Furnald motioned and Huff seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.. All ayes, motion carried. The next council meeting will be on Monday, January 19, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Danville City Hall. A special joint meeting between the Danville City Council and the Danville and Pleasant Grove Township Trustees took place following the regular council meeting to discuss the purchase of a Rescue Vehicle.

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Jerry Strause, Mayor

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Caitlin Erickson, City Clerk

*Note: A summary of the above minutes was submitted for publication on January 12, 2026. Those minutes will now become part of the city minute book.*