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NEW! IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT HIAWATHA WATER PAYMENT SOFTWARE

Changes are coming to Hiawatha's online water payments in January 2026, find out what to expect and how to prepare.

See page 7 for details.

City Hall Holiday Schedule

Christmas Week:

Closed - December 24th & 25th

New Years Eve Week:

Closed - December 31st & January 1st



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FROM THE CITY MANAGER

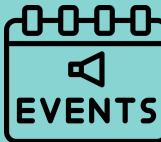


As we reach the end of another year in Hiawatha, it's the perfect time to pause and reflect on the many things we have to be thankful for. The holiday season always brings with it a sense of gratitude, community, and celebration, three values that truly define who we are as a city. Every December, I am reminded that what makes Hiawatha such a special place isn't just our parks, facilities, or events; it's the people who bring these things to life. I am thankful for our residents who take pride in their homes and neighborhoods, our business owners who continue to invest in our growing city, and our dedicated City Council and staff who work hard every day to serve the public and improve our community. Every department, from Public Works to Parks and Recreation to Public Safety, plays a vital role in making Hiawatha the welcoming, thriving city it is. This season also gives us a chance to slow down and enjoy what matters most, time with family, friends, and neighbors. The joy of gathering together, whether for a community event or a quiet evening at home, reminds us of the simple things that truly enrich our lives.

Hiawatha's holiday traditions are a wonderful reflection of that spirit. The Reindeer Run kicks off the season with fun and energy, bringing together runners of all ages to celebrate community and fitness in festive fashion. Our Tree Lighting Ceremony fills the night with music, laughter, and light as we gather to officially welcome the holidays, personally, one of my favorite moments of the year. And of course, our Holiday Lights Parade has quickly become one of Hiawatha's most anticipated events. Watching city streets come alive with decorated floats, twinkling lights, and smiling faces captures the joy and togetherness that define this season. Beyond these celebrations, I'm especially grateful for the everyday acts of kindness that happen all around us, from neighbors helping neighbors, residents volunteering their time, and businesses giving back to local causes. These gestures, large and small, are what make Hiawatha not just a city, but a community.

As City Manager, I see firsthand the dedication of those who serve behind the scenes, from crews who keep our streets safe during winter weather, to police officers, firefighters, and city staff who ensure our services run smoothly year-round. Their commitment and care reflect the very best of public service, and I'm deeply appreciative of all they do. As we look ahead to a new year, I'm filled with optimism and gratitude. Hiawatha continues to grow stronger because of the people who call it home, people who care, who get involved, and who make a difference. Together, we've accomplished a great deal, and together, we'll continue to build on that success in the year ahead. On behalf of the City Council and the entire City of Hiawatha team, I wish you a joyful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year. May this season bring peace, laughter, and cherished memories with family and friends.

Dennis Marks, Hiawatha City Manager



Interested in community events? Find out what's happening in Hiawatha by checking out our city calendars!

hiawatha-iowa.com/calendar/



City Calendar



Library Calendar

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KEEPING OUR WATER CLEAN: SMART SALT USE FOR WINTER SAFETY

When winter comes, many of us reach for salt to melt ice on our driveways and sidewalks. But did you know that using too much salt can harm our local streams, lakes, and ponds? Salt, or chloride, doesn't go away over time. It builds up in our waterways, where it can hurt fish, frogs, and water plants. What's more, salt can damage our roads, bridges, and vehicles. It eats away at concrete and metal, leading to costly repairs. The good news is that we can still stay safe in winter while protecting our environment and infrastructure by using salt smartly.



The best way to deal with snow and ice is to shovel or sweep it away. This old-fashioned method is free and doesn't harm the environment or our infrastructure! If you need something for traction, try sand or even birdseed instead of salt. These won't melt ice, but they'll help prevent slips and falls. If you do need to use salt, remember that a little goes a long way. Think of salt like sprinkles on a cookie - you only need a small amount to get the job done. This not only protects our waterways but also helps preserve our roads and vehicles.

There are also some alternatives to regular road salt that are better for the environment and less damaging to infrastructure. Calcium chloride works well in very cold temperatures and is less harmful to plants and concrete. Some stores sell salt-free deicers that are safe for pets, the environment, and our roads. Whatever you choose, always follow the instructions on the package and use as little as possible. By being smart about how we deal with ice and snow, we can keep our driveways safe, our water clean, and our infrastructure in better shape for years to come.



Hiawatha!™ EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Job Title / Department: Police Officer

How long have you been with the City?: 1.5 years

About you: I was born and raised in Wisconsin, and was brought to Iowa to play baseball for Mount Mercy. I am a graduate with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Mount Mercy University, and after graduation, I was a trim carpenter for a brief period while waiting for the right career path to open up. After seeing Hiawatha Police accepting applications, it was the only place I applied for, and eventually got hired on in May of 2024. I was sent to the Hawkeye Regional Academy in Waterloo, where I spent 11 weeks training for this position. I then completed my Field Training, and now you can find me out on the streets for the city of Hiawatha.

What does an average day in your role look like? In this profession, I have come to learn that there is no average day. One of the things that makes this job so exciting and easy to show up for every day, is the fact that every call and every shift is different. Some of the duties in an "average" day consist of traffic enforcement, investigating criminal activity, responding to emergency calls, preventing crimes, and arresting/detaining those who commit crime.

What's an activity or hobby you enjoy outside of work? Anything outside, such as hunting and fishing.

If you could instantly master any skill, what would it be? The ability to fly.

WINTER IS COMING, STAY INFORMED

The City of Hiawatha has snow removal rules in place to help keep our community safe.

Here is what you need to know before winter weather strikes:

- Make sure sump pumps and downspouts don't drain to sidewalks. The drainage can freeze causing icy buildup and slippery conditions on driveways, sidewalks, and streets.
- Sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall event ends. Remember to clear the area around fire hydrants as well.
- When removing snow from your property, do not place it in streets, alleys, driveways, or on sidewalks.
- Commercial Properties - Make sure you have a snow removal plan in place this winter season. If there is not enough room to store pushed snow on the property, you must have a plan for snow removal from the site before snow clearing may take place.

Snow Ordinance

Hiawatha's snow ordinance helps ensure safe, effective, and rapid snow removal of our streets. You can help! Do not park in the street when:

- The National Weather Service predicts three (3) or more inches of snow within 24 hours OR three (3) or more inches of snow has fallen and your street has not been cleared.

Vehicles parked in the street during an active snow ordinance will be issued a \$25 ticket. If vehicles are parked on City streets during overnight snow removal operations, they will be towed. When in doubt, move your vehicle off the street.

Note: The City does not conduct snow removal operations on all city streets for snowfall less than two (2) inches.

Stay Informed

If a snow emergency is declared, local media outlets will be informed. This includes, but is not limited to, KGAN (Channel 2), KCRG (Channel 9), and KWWL (Channel 7). The declaration will also be posted on the City Website: www.hiawatha-iowa.com.

Scan the QR code to sign up for City Alerts!



FOOD INSECURITY, AND HOW YOU CAN HELP IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Winter Hat Ornament Take and Make

December 2nd

Cozy up and get crafty this winter! Make your own adorable mini yarn hat ornament – the perfect way to add some handmade warmth to your holiday décor.

Take a kit home, get creative, and share your cozy creation!



Holiday Card-Making at the Library!

December 4th at 6 PM

Spread cheer this season with a handmade touch! Join us for a fun and creative Holiday Card-Making Program where you can design and decorate your own festive cards using colorful paper, stamps, stickers, and more.



Whether your cards celebrate winter, friendship, or the joy of the season, you'll leave with something special to share with family, friends, or neighbors.

Create, Connect and Celebrate the season with creativity!

Recycled Book Gnomes

December 10th at 6 PM



Give an old book a new life — as a whimsical winter gnome! Join us for this creative, eco-friendly craft program where we'll transform recycled books into charming gnome decorations complete with cozy hats, noses, and plenty of personality.

Add a touch of handmade warmth to your winter décor and learn how easy (and satisfying!) it is to turn something old into something adorable!

Roughly 1 in 10 Linn County residents experience food insecurity, and approximately 270,000 lowans rely on SNAP benefits month to month. With the disruption to SNAP benefits due to the lengthy federal government shutdown, food pantries across the state are experiencing drastic increases in people seeking aid (including the food pantry here at Hiawatha Public Library).

Details are still in flux at the time of writing this, and there is a lot of uncertainty about what amount of November benefits SNAP recipients will receive, and when they will receive them. The latest information available is that the USDA would be issuing 65% of typical SNAP benefits for November.

However, due to the way this change is being applied to how benefits are calculated, many households will receive far less than 65% of their regular benefits. Additionally, it may take several weeks or months for these partial November benefits to be recalculated and issued to food insecure lowans.

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HIAWATHA PUBLIC LIBRARY

A SEASON OF SPARKLE: YOUR DECEMBER HOLIDAY GUIDE FROM HIAWATHA PARKS & RECREATION

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1200 N 18th Ave
Hiawatha, IA 52233

DEC 6TH 2025

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SUPPORTING HIAWATHA PARKS, PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS



As the temperature drops, the holiday spirit in Hiawatha is just heating up! The Parks and Recreation Department is proud to present a lineup of beloved annual events and programs designed to bring our community together, create lasting memories, and celebrate the most wonderful time of the year. From twinkling lights to festive fun runs, there's something for everyone to enjoy this December.

Mark your calendars and join us for these holiday favorites!

Tree Lighting Ceremony

Thursday, December 4 | 5:30 PM | Village Center Plaza

Kick off the holiday season in true Hiawatha fashion! Gather with friends and neighbors for a magical evening of carols led by the Linn County Ukulele Club, free hot cocoa and cookie decorating, and of course, a special visit from Santa Claus. The evening culminates in the illumination of Hiawatha's community tree, a moment that officially marks the start of the season.

Hiawatha Reindeer Run

Saturday, December 6 | 9:00 AM

Lace up your sneakers and join the fun at this festive 3-mile run/walk! The Reindeer Run is a great way to get active while supporting a good cause, proceeds benefit park improvements, and the event also serves as a collection site for new, unwrapped toys to support Toys for Tots.

Register online at reindeerrun2025.eventbrite.com and come dressed in your most spirited holiday gear!

CONNECT:



CITY OF HIAWATHA PARKS AND RECREATION

How You Can Help

Regardless of what amount of benefits SNAP recipients eventually receive, the disruption of this vital safety net will have ripple effects on the wellbeing of food insecure lowwans for months to come. If you have wanted to help but have been unsure of how best to do so, here are a few suggestions:

Direct Assistance

- If you know a family that is food insecure, consider assisting them directly by helping them pay for their groceries. This will reduce the need for that family to rely on already overwhelmed food pantries.

Monetary Contributions

- Rather than buying food to directly donate to food pantries, the best bang for your buck is to donate to HACAP. Food Reservoirs like HACAP are able to purchase food in bulk at much lower prices than you are able to purchase groceries at the store. Your contributed dollars will stretch further this way.

Volunteer

- Reach out to HACAP and your local food pantries about volunteering your time. With the increased reliance on these services, they can use all the help they can get right now.



The screenshot shows the HACAP website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for 'CONTACT US', 'NEWS & UPDATES', 'BLOG', and 'PARTNER LOGIN'. Below the navigation are buttons for 'GET HELP', 'VOLUNTEER', and 'DONATE'. The main content area features a video player showing a person in a red shirt. Below the video is a call-to-action button with the text 'hacap.org/donate' and a magnifying glass icon. The footer of the website includes the 'FEEDING AMERICA' logo and the text 'Hiawatha Public Library'.

Welcome Winter

Saturday, December 27 @ 10:30

Join us for a cheerful winter story time filled with seasonal tales, favorite songs, and a fun cookie-decorating activity. It's a warm and welcoming way to celebrate the season together.



Story Time @ Stillwater

1275 North Center Point Rd. Hiawatha, Iowa
Something's brewing for kids and their caregivers!
Perk up your morning with stories, songs, and movement
with Alicia from Hiawatha Public Library!

December 16

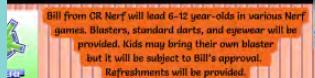
9:15 - 9:45



NERF NIGHT FOR KIDS 7-12

Friday, December 12
5:00-7:00

REGISTRATION REQUIRED



Bill from CR Nerf will lead 6-12 year olds in various Nerf games. Blasters, standard darts, and eyewear will be provided. Kids may bring their own blaster but it will be subject to Bill's approval. Refreshments will be provided.

A caregiver is required for children who are 8 years old and under. Thank you.

Holiday Lights Parade

Thursday, December 18 | 5:30 PM

A cherished Hiawatha tradition returns! The streets of Hiawatha will once again sparkle with colorful floats, glowing lights, and festive music as the Holiday Lights Parade winds through town. Don't miss Santa Claus himself waving from atop the Hiawatha Fire Truck, a sight that's sure to delight kids and adults alike!

Letters from Santa

Registration Opens Monday, November 24

Deadline Friday, December 12

Add a touch of magic to your child's holiday season! Parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles can register their little ones to receive a personalized letter straight from Santa's workshop. Letters will be mailed directly from the North Pole to your home. Visit the Parks & Recreation webpage beginning November 24 to register and make this season extra special for the kids in your life.

WELCOME TO HIAWATHA, BEN GINGERICH!

The Hiawatha Parks & Recreation Department is excited to welcome Ben Gingerich as our new Recreation Coordinator. Ben joins us with three years of experience as a Recreation Coordinator in Vinton, where he led all youth programming, oversaw facility operations, and played a key role in developing new online recreation software to improve community engagement.

A proud University of Iowa graduate, Ben holds a Bachelor's degree in Sport and Recreation Management, as well as a Master's degree in Sport Administration from the University of Miami, Florida. His strong background in both programming and administrative leadership will be an asset as he helps grow and enhance recreation opportunities here in Hiawatha.

Ben is looking forward to connecting with residents, expanding program offerings, and continuing to build the wonderful community that defines Hiawatha Parks & Recreation. Born and raised in Williamsburg, Iowa, Ben enjoys spending his free time with his hopefully soon-to-be wife, Amanda, and their puppy, Nugget. He's an avid fan of college football — cheering on both the Iowa Hawkeyes and Miami Hurricanes — and loves golf, cycling, traveling, and experimenting in the kitchen as an aspiring "MasterChef." Please join us in welcoming Ben to the Hiawatha Parks & Recreation family!



HIAWATHA.ACTIVITYREG.COM

FINES FOR IOWA'S HANDS-FREE DRIVING LAW BEGIN JANUARY 1, 2026

The Hiawatha Police Department reminds drivers that starting January 1, 2026, fines will begin for violations of Iowa's new hands-free driving law. The law, which took effect July 1, 2025, makes it illegal for drivers to hold or manually use a phone or electronic device while operating a vehicle. For the past six months, officers across Iowa have issued warnings to help drivers adjust. Beginning in January, violators can be fined \$100 for a first offense. Fines increase significantly if distracted driving contributes to a crash causing injury or death. The goal of the law is to reduce preventable crashes and keep Iowa's roads safe. Drivers may no longer text, scroll, or hold their phones while driving. Devices can only be used in hands-free or voice-activated mode, such as through Bluetooth or a mounted phone holder. There are limited exceptions. Emergency responders may use communication devices while performing official duties. The law also allows the use of built-in vehicle systems or mounted devices that operate hands-free. Chief Kamm reminds drivers, "This law isn't about writing tickets — it's about preventing tragedies. Keeping your hands on the wheel and eyes on the road saves lives." He added that during his 21-year career, he has seen far too many preventable accidents caused by drivers distracted by their phones. "The law is just one piece of the puzzle," Kamm said. "Real safety depends on every driver's willingness to make the responsible choice — to put the phone down and focus on driving."



The Hiawatha Police Department urges all motorists to take action now:

- Use a hands-free mount or built-in Bluetooth connection.
- Set your GPS or music before you start driving.
- Turn on 'Do Not Disturb While Driving' mode.
- Pull over safely if you need to use your phone.

Together, we can make Iowa's roads safer for everyone in the new year

INDIAN CREEK WATERSHED SIGNS HIGHLIGHT LOCAL WATERWAYS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Indian Creek Watershed Management Authority (ICWMA) is working to connect residents with their local waterways through the installation of new watershed signs. ICWMA within Linn County was one of the first WMAs in Iowa (est. 2012) and is the collaboration of six member organizations, including Cedar Rapids, Hiawatha, Marion, Robins, Linn County, and the Linn County Soil and Water District. ICWMA received an Iowa Department of Natural Resources grant to expand its creek sign outreach effort, which has resulted in 127 signs being installed at 39 locations across the Indian Creek watershed. The tributaries of Indian Creek include Dry Creek, Wanatee Creek, Berrys Run, East Indian Creek, and Willowood Creek. These signs, now visible in Alburnett, Hiawatha, Cedar Rapids, Marion, Robins, Linn County, and Linn County Conservation parks, help residents recognize when they are entering the Indian Creek Watershed and understand their role in protecting water quality. The project was made possible through strong partnerships, with public works and secondary road crews from each jurisdiction committing in-kind labor to install the signs. As a result of this grant Hiawatha staff has installed 3 watershed signs in Hiawatha. Two are on the Boyson Rd bridge over Dry Creek and one is on Tower Terrace Rd as you enter the Dry Creek watershed.

How You Can Protect Local Waterways

A watershed is the area that drains to a common waterway, such as a stream, lake, estuary, wetland, aquifer, or ocean. The land that drains to the waterway affects the water quality. Since we all live in a watershed, it is a community effort to protect it. Here are the things you can do to help protect the water quality in your community:

- Keep waste out of drainage areas
- Pick up litter
- Minimize use of pesticides
- Plant native species
- Properly dispose of hazardous waste

To learn more about the Indian Creek WMA, visit www.indiancreekwma.org



FIRE DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION CEREMONY

This fall the Fire Department hosted a Recognition Ceremony to recognize, honor and celebrate the dedicated men and women of the fire department. This event was an opportunity to welcome new department members, celebrate several members longevity with the department and recognize those that have gone above and beyond while responding to calls. Mayor Dodson was present to swear in two separate groups totaling 22 members that took their Firefighter Oath of Office. Others that received recognition for years of service included: Scott Breckenridge - 5 years, Jeff Daley - 20 years, John Zlabeck - 20 years, Dan Veerhusen - 20 years, Captain Brad Ransford - 20 years and Chief Matt Powers - 25 years. In addition to the years of service awards the department also recognized several CPR Save awards. The CPR save award is presented to members that were a part of a call



where CPR was performed and the patient was successfully discharged from the hospital. The following members received a CPR Save award: Pacer Langguth, Chloe Mogensen, Branden Chiles, Miranda Gettle, Olivia Zwierzko, Elijah Mallicoat, Brett Herman, Brad Wiggins, Chief Matt Powers, Deputy Chief of EMS Nick Jellison, Collin Wheat, Kyle Griffin, Kyle Thoreson and Alec Battien. Chris Hicks and Brad Ransford were both given this year's Fire Chief Award. Chris Hicks was recognized for his assistance completing several vehicle related projects that saved the city thousands of dollars. Brad Ransford was recognized for his continued dedication to the department and taking on additional responsibilities this past year by covering an open crew officer position while continuing to cover his normal roles as the Training Captain. Congrats to all the members that were recognized and thank you to all of the members for their dedication and service to Hiawatha, making it a safe place to live, work, and play by caring for the community.



2024 BUILDING CODES ADOPTED

The City of Hiawatha has completed the process of adoption of the newest model building codes. Keeping current with modern codes allows us to take advantage of the most current building technologies for methods and materials, gives us an opportunity to evaluate our standards for promoting safety in our built environment and facilitates uniformity of codes with the surrounding jurisdictions.

On the local level the adoption is simplified since Hiawatha has already participated in the updates through the International Code Council (ICC); a non-profit organization overseeing uniform building code development. Our Building and Fire Appeals Board reviewed the new codes and significant changes. The Board also considered input from the surrounding jurisdictions and the county for maintaining uniformity. Their review provided a recommendation to Council for final adoption.

The significant changes were very limited during this cycle and included:

- 6' (or less) tall fences are exempt from permits (must still meet requirements of Chapter 165.23 of the City Code)
- Requires rental inspection of any non-owner-occupied dwelling unit
- Increased snow loads on one- and two-family dwellings, wind speed stayed the same
- Multi-Family and commercial building wind and snow loads are calculated using an ASCE Hazard Tool
- Receptacles (outlets) in a kitchen are not allowed to be located below the countertop

Maintaining current codes is important to the construction industry and for public safety. Updated codes facilitate the appropriate use of new materials, new methods and new technologies while keeping public safety, health and sanitation the main goal for these regulations.

ALL RENTALS NOW REQUIRE REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION

Effective January 1, 2026 all non-owner-occupied dwelling units are required to be enrolled in Hiawatha's rental program and have required inspection for minimum life, safety, and health standards. Prior to the amendment to Chapter 163 (Hiawatha's Housing Code) short term rentals (less than 30 days) were not required to be enrolled in the rental program.

NEW! IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT HIAWATHA WATER PAYMENT SOFTWARE

Hello Hiawatha Residents and Businesses,

The Water Department is excited to announce that we will be implementing new online payment software in January 2026. While we are excited for the new software, we understand that with new software, minor hiccups may arise. We assure you we will do our very best to make this transition as smooth as possible for everyone!

With that, as of January 1, 2026, our current FrontDesk payment portal will no longer be accessible for payments. The same goes for automatic withdrawals (ACH) on January 15th. We will need to transition to the new Caselle payment portal as soon as it is active. While we do not know what that will look like at this time, we wanted you to be informed before the process changes. With the new software, customers that use online payments or ACH will need to create a new account and re-enter your payment information. Please keep an eye out for further information as the new year approaches.

Please know that we are very excited for this new chapter and look forward to a smooth transition. We thank you, in advance, for your patience and understanding.

We love you all,
Marty Recker
Water Superintendent Extraordinaire

ENGINEERING UPDATES

Guthridge Park Pickleball Courts will remain open and available to the public throughout the winter months pending no ice or snow on the courts. If there is snow or ice on the courts, the gates will be locked. This is a city investment and we do not want any damage to the playing surface due to snow shovels or snow blowers. Please help us protect this investment. Due to the usage of the new pickleball courts and mini-pitch, the City will be constructing a new restroom facility near the two courts in the early spring. The facility will be a prefabricated concrete structure that will arrive as one unit and placed on a foundation wall. The restroom facility will have two unisex restrooms with locking doors. Staff will work with a contractor to install a new sanitary sewer line out to Emmons St as well as provide electrical to the facility.



2026 Street Improvements

The city is looking to upgrade the following streets in 2026: N 10th St from Emmons St to Lyndhurst Dr; E Clark St from Center Point Rd to B Ave; E Willman St from Center Point Rd to B Ave. The city will be adding subdrain behind the back of curb on these streets if it is not already in place. Residents may see City staff are surveying these streets and up to 15' behind the back of curb. Staff is looking to add a sidewalk on E Clark St and/or E Willman St to allow for better connectivity between Tucker Park and the downtown as well as the Public Library. Residents that may be impacted by the sidewalks will be notified.



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RESOLUTION #

NOVEMBER 5, 2025

- #25-231 EDC Financial Support
- #25-232 HEDCO Pledge for Funding
- #25-233 Horizon's / NTS Financial Support
- #25-234 Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance Financial Support
- #25-235 Final Pay Estimate #6 ADA Ramp
- #25-236 Setting PH Amending Chapter 63 Speed Regulations
- #25-237 PSA with Shive Hattery for Kainz Drive Storm Sewer
- #25-238 Site Plan Design Guidelines for 111 Miller Road Addition
- #25-239 RFP's for Storm Sewer Slip Lining for Dry Creek Run
- #25-240 Approving Position & Job Descriptions for City Attorney
- #25-241 ROW Tree Removal Request 2510 Creekside Dr
- #25-242 Replacement Boiler for City Hall

RESOLUTION #

NOVEMBER 19, 2025

- #25-243 AR Hiawatha Urban Revit Plan
- #25-244 FY25 Annual Financial Report
- #25-245 FY25 Street Finance Report
- #25-246 FY25 Annual Urban Renewal Report
- #25-247 Certification of TIF Funds
- #25-248 Robins Road Water Main Final Retainage
- #25-249 Change Order #4 Edgewood Road Ext Pecks Blvd to Emmons St
- #25-250 Pay Estimate #6 Edgewood Road Ext Pecks Blvd to Emmons St
- #25-251 Final Pay Estimate #7 Edgewood Rd Ext Pecks Blvd
- #25-252 Authorizing Police Department Vehicle Purchase
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- #25-254 Collection of Delinquent Account of Lawn Care Services for 1059 Rainbow Blvd
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- #25-256 2026 Council Meeting Schedule

Ordinance #1018 Chapter 63 Speed Regulations



COFFEE
TALK WITH
MAYOR
DODSON

It's time to talk. Do you have ideas, solutions or thoughts about the City of Hiawatha? Mayor Dodson wants to hear from you!

Join him at Roasters Coffee House in Hiawatha!

DECEMBER 11

JANUARY 8

FEBRUARY 12

7:00 - 9:00 AM



HIAWATHA HISTORY
COMMISSION

Do you like history? Would you be interested in helping preserve Hiawatha's History?

The Hiawatha History Commission would love for you to join them!

Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9:00 AM.

CELEBRATING
FREE BOOKS FOR
KIDS 0-5!



Since Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program began in the Hiawatha area, **290 children** have registered for free & 73 have graduated!



Sign your 0 - 5 year-old up today, FOR FREE, at www.hiawathapubliclibrary.org/imagination-library