

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2025, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Mcdonald, Kuester, Smith, Lamp and Rasmussen. Absent: None. Visitors: Rich Ahlberg.

Kuester moved and Lamp seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with no conflicts of interest. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and Rasmussen seconded action for approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, April 21, 2025; approval of the April 2025 bills list; approval of the April 2025 Treasurers Report; and approval to close 7th Street from H Avenue to the alley on Saturday, May 31st from 7a-2p, for the Kling Memorial Library Summer Reading Program kickoff event. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ADMIN. PETTY CASH	SUPPLIES	55.60
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	SELF FUND PREMIUMS	9564.05
AFLAC	AFLAC- PRE-TAX	211.14
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	SERVICES	1184.65
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	334.41
APPEL SERVICES, LLC	SUPPLIES	200.00
APPEL, TANNER - HSA	HEALTH SAVING	150.00
ASPRO	COLD MIX	477.09
AT&T MOBILITY	CELL PHONE	127.50
AVESIS - FIDELITY SECURITY LIF	VISION	284.11
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	SERVICES	9408.00
DANIEL BANGASSER	CELL PHONE	39.95
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS	1959.91
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	MEDS	268.36
CARRICO AQUATIC RESOURCE	CHEMICALS	7800.28
CARSON, KODI - HSA	HEALTH SAVING	45.00
CENTER THEATRE	BIG GRANT	10362.00
COLLIN CONGER	MILEAGE	301.00
COOLEY PUMPING, LLC	SERVICES	100.00
DAVE BROWN HEATING AND COOLING	SERVICES	1069.36
WELLMARK DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANC	1070.90
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	37775.42
ELECTRIC PUMP	SERVICES	1275.00
GALL'S LLC	UNIFORM	53.52
GNB BANK	VISA	1416.15
GNB INSURANCE	PREMIUMS	18307.00
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY		
LEASING	SERVICES	522.75
GRUNDY CENTER UTILITIES	UTILITIES	6995.00
GRUNDY COUNTY MEM HOSPITAL	SERVICES	1440.88
GRUNDY COUNTY RECORDER	FEES	57.00
HARDIN COUNTY EMERGENCY	TRAINING	613.47
HAWKEYE ALARM & SIGNAL CORP	SERVICES	600.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FUEL	4205.35

HERONIMUS, SCHMIDT, SCHOEDER		
&	SERVICES	225.00
HOLIDAY INN	TRAINING	237.44
HSA - ABBAS, KENNETH	HEALTH SAVING	465.00
HSA - BANGASSER, DAN	HEALTH SAVING	570.00
HSA - BOWEN, MEL	HEALTH SAVING	300.00
HSA - FLATER, BRAD	HEALTH SAVING	150.00
HSA - GLIEM, DWIGHT	HEALTH SAVING	300.00
HSA - LUFKIN, KENDRA	HEALTH SAVING	467.25
HSA - MEESTER, SHANNON	HEALTH SAVING	150.00
HSA - RASMUSSEN, KATIE A	HEALTH SAVING	465.00
HSA - SAWYER, KRISTY	HEALTH SAVING	450.00
HSA - SCHMIDT, BRADLEY	HEALTH SAVING	465.00
HSA - WILSON, JASON	HEALTH SAVING	180.00
HSA-NATVIG, JAMES A	HEALTH SAVING	-1065.00
IA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	TRAINING	10.00
IOWA ASSOCIATION OF	TRAINING	1486.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	GARNISHMENT	695.13
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFE	SERVICES	300.00
IOWA GEMT PAYMENT PROGRAM	SERVICES	754.14
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES	WATER	28015.15
IPERS	IPERS REGULAR	25577.07
JESCO WELDING & MACHINE, LLC	SERVICES	2922.83
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	225.97
KONKEN ELECTRIC, LLC	SERVICES	235.42
LEGACY EMERGENCY VEHICLES	PART	1535.05
KENDRA LUFKIN	JANITORIAL	425.00
MACQUEEN	SUPPLIES	358.00
UPPER ELEMENTARY	RENT	3757.00
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC	SERVICES	52.50
MSC 410526 - DOLLAR GENERAL	SUPPLIES	27.50
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS	271.43
NORSOLV	SERVICES	271.95
NORTH IA AREA COMM COLLEGE	TRAINING	150.00
OAKLAND CORPORATION	SERVICES	1315.64
OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE	FEES	425.00
PHYSICIANS CLAIMS CO	SERVICES	2982.49
PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	39.93
PRECISION LAWN CARE	SERVICES	15737.65
RACHELLE K. THOMPSON, CPA, PLLC	AUDIT	16000.00
RC SYSTEMS	SERVICES	154.22
REC GRUNDY COUNTY	UTILITIES	176.13
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	VOL LIFE-AFTER	1364.57
RITE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC	SERVICES	28194.14
ROUSE MOTOR	SERVICES	85.02
GLEN OR ANN SMITH	REIMBURSEMENT	925.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	STATE TAXES	4037.42

STOREY KENWORTHY	SUPPLIES	602.42
TERRY-DURIN CO.	PARTS	2325.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	WET TAX	4075.57
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	RUGS	91.21
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	181.91
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	PARTS	569.52
VAN HAUEN AUTO & TRUCK, INC	SERVICES	393.74
VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	PARTS	79.59
VAN WERT COMPANY	PARTS	106.00
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS B S	HEALTH INS	27611.24
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	LIME	555.87
Accounts Payable Total		303171.86
Payroll Checks		118213.02
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		421384.88

April 2025 Expenditures per fund: General: \$181223; Road Use Tax: \$12050; Employee Benefits: \$37356; Local Option Sales Tax: \$29325; Community Betterment Fund: \$10169; Library Gift Trust: \$966; Economic Development Fund: \$250; Water Fund: \$44102; Water Reserves Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$27441; Sanitary Sewer Reserve Fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$32036; Ambulance Fund: \$67678; Storm Sewer Fund: \$3787; Total: \$466805. April 2025 Revenues per fund: General: \$442895; Road Use Tax: \$32715; Employee Benefits Fund: \$148649; Local Option Sales Tax: \$29325; Hotel Motel Tax Fund: \$1724; TIF Fund: \$51307; Community Betterment Fund: \$14663; Fire Equipment Reserve Fund: \$7120; Police Reserve Fund: \$150; Library Gift Trust: \$2291; Economic Development Fund: \$250; Debt Service Fund: \$78364; Water Fund: \$48550; Water Reserve Sinking Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$44209; Sewer Sinking fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$34429; Ambulance Fund: \$88631; Ambulance Equipment Reserve: \$2534; Storm Sewer Fund: \$4432; Total: \$1052687.

Mayor Eberline acknowledged Jeff Carson, GCMU Manager, for the annual department update. Carson spoke on updated switch provider for telephone services to offer new business functions; Cedar Falls Utilities is updating cable tv equipment which will allow our customers assess to channel we have lost over the years; discussion with Heart of Iowa about purchasing City lot; remodeling project for GCMU building soon; hired back an employee for the summer; and waiting on costs to come down on burying electrical and fiber lines throughout the city limits. No further discussions, no formal action taken.

Mcdonald moved and Smith seconded action on the Third Reading of Ordinance 581, an ordinance to amend Chapter 110 Natural Gas Franchise granting Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, the authority to construct, operate, maintain, and extend a natural gas distribution plant and system, and granting the right to use the streets, alleys, and other public places within the present or future corporate limits. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Mcdonald seconded action on Resolution 2025-16, a resolution authorizing the dispensing of the special election requirement on the matter of granting a gas franchise to Black Hills Energy. No further discussions, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion on Ordinance 582 – Chapter 92.02 Water Rates and Ordinance 583 – Chapter 99.07 Sewer Rates, ordinances to amend rates for the 2% increase effective July 1st and possibly publish for a public hearing on May 19, 2025. Bangasser commented this is the process to formalize the annual 2% rate increase for water and sewer rates effective July 1st each year. Kuester moved and Lamp seconded action to publish for the public hearing for Ordinance 582 and 583 for May 19, 2025. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion on Ordinance 584, Chapter 69.08 Parking Regulations, an ordinance to add no parking on the north side of 235th Street along the Sports Complex and possibly publish for a public hearing on May 19, 2025. Kuester commented this is due to the plans to dig out the ditch to allow proper drainage from the Sports Complex property and safety purposes to alleviate a child from crossing the gravel road in front of traffic. Discussion was held to have further discussions with the soccer program to move the soccer fields and encourage all spectators to use the Sports Complex parking

lots, one from the west and one to the north across the Pioneer Nature Trail. Kuester moved and Rasmussen seconded a motion to publish for the public hearing for May 19, 2025, on Ordinance 584, Chapter 69.08 Parking Regulations, an ordinance to add no parking on the north side of 235th Street along the Sports Complex. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion on an additional FY2025 Budget Amendment and possible take action to set a public hearing on May 19, 2025. Sawyer explained this amendment is to update the increased revenues received and necessary purchases of the municipal financial software and new dump truck. Smith moved and Lamp seconded action to publish for a public hearing on May 19, 2025, on the final fiscal year 2025 budget amendments. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 7:04pm. Rich Ahlberg, 408 G Avenue, made comment on GCMU and City audit findings being the same for last few years. No further comments, public forum closed at 7:12pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk made comments on personnel committee will meet to discuss FY2026 employee wages and review an employee agreement set to expire; Planning & Zoning Commission will meet on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, for Heart of Iowa, LLC request to rezone a parcel; and request for Community Center parking lot to be used during Felix Grundy Day at next meeting.

Public Safety Committee made comments that Officer Conger has graduated and returned from ILEA Academy; large increases in traffic due to bridge project; and working with ISU department for possible traffic count studies.

Public Works Committee made comments on the Central Cable Contractors, Inc rental agreement and a zoom meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 2:30pm to begin discussions with Strand & Associates for the next project needed at the wastewater facility.

Mayor Eberline and Smith commented on the inaccurate information being passed throughout the community regarding Heart of Iowa, LLC bringing fiber optic services into the city limits. Eberline stated Heart of Iowa, LLC reached out to the city representatives with interest in coming to our community, not vice versa, as this is no different than all the other vendors offering their services within the city right of ways. Smith commented a franchise agreement is being reviewed with Heart of Iowa, LLC, just as we have for other vendors. No further discussions, no action taken.

Rasmussen moved and McDonald seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:25pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk

Dr. Paul Eberline, Mayor