

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 2025, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: McDonald, Kuester, Smith, Lamp, and Rasmussen. Absent: None. Visitors: None.

Rasmussen moved and Smith seconded the approval of the meeting agenda with Lamp's conflict of interest for item #4c. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Kuester moved and Rasmussen seconded action for approval of the minutes of the regular session held approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, July 7, 2025. Motion carried five ayes. Lamp moved and McDonald seconded action for approval of the June 2025 Treasurers Report. Motion carried five ayes. McDonald moved and Smith seconded action for approval of an annual liquor license for Scotty's Saloon, 806 G Avenue. Motion carried four ayes (McDonald, Smith, Rasmussen, and Kuester) and one abstain (Lamp). Smith moved and Kuester seconded action for approval of the FY2025 Outstanding Debt report and submit it to the State of Iowa by August 31, 2025. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

June 2025 Expenditures per fund: General: \$295165; Cultural Scientific Levy Fund: \$5594; Road Use Tax: \$20935; Employee Benefits: \$38658; Local Option Sales Tax: \$22818; TIF Fund: \$48823; Community Betterment Fund: \$22057; Fire Department Gift Trust: \$1198; Library Gift Trust: \$3418; Debt Service Fund: \$500; Water Fund: \$57944; Water Reserves Fund: \$4650; Water Reserve Sinking Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$522483; Sanitary Sewer Reserve Fund: \$15800; Sanitation Fund: \$30647; Ambulance Fund: \$56764; Storm Sewer Fund: \$11891; Total: \$1159345. June 2025 Revenues per fund: General: \$108126; Road Use Tax: \$48727; Employee Benefits Fund: \$2180; Local Option Sales Tax: \$22818; Hotel Motel Tax Fund: \$2274; TIF Fund: \$1554; Sports Complex Fund: \$2500; Community Betterment Fund: \$11409; Swimming Pool Reserve Fund: \$12300; Fire Equipment Reserve Fund: \$28670; Police Dept Reserve Fund: \$58000; Fire Dept Gift Trust: \$390; Library Gift Trust: \$853; Community Center Gift Trust: \$40000; Debt Service Fund: \$45019; Water Fund: \$55919; Water Reserve Sinking Fund: \$4650; Sanitary Sewer Fund: \$43899; Sanitary Sewer Reserves Fund: \$500000; Sewer Sinking fund: \$25800; Sanitation Fund: \$34587; Ambulance Fund: \$49070; Ambulance Equipment Reserve: \$6337; Storm Sewer Fund: \$4281; Total: \$1109363.

Lamp moved and Rasmussen seconded action on the Third Reading on Ordinance 585, an ordinance amending Chapter 41.14 Fireworks to match State of Iowa Code for July 3rd, July 4th, and December 31st regulations. No further discussions, motion carried five ayes.

McDonald moved and Rasmussen seconded action on Resolution 2025-36, a resolution to authorize Mayor Eberline to sign the agreement with PRA-Plunkett Raysich Architects, LLP for engineering services for addition and renovations to the Fire/Ambulance Station project. Discussion was held on potential land purchase and Mayor Eberline commented no agreed upon price as of now. Engineers will compile needs/wants from all departments involved and begin planning and estimating costs and feasibility. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the discussion on the Fire/Ambulance Station, 507 F Avenue, for potential addition and renovation project. Eberline presented site plan from Heart of Iowa Ventures, LLC for their location of generator, substation, and storage facility. Kuester asked if land should be secured prior to engineering plans and costs. Eberline commented this is all preliminary, no plans are close to being finalized at this time. No further discussions, no formal action taken.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 6:41pm. No public comments, public forum closed at 6:42pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk made comments on Iowa League of Cities Cityscape magazine outlining all the new bills from the State of Iowa that went into effect July 1st especially HF706 which requires all newly elected and appointed officials to complete a course of training within 90 days of their taking on responsibilities and requirements for the open records laws; and committee is reviewing a new ordinance regarding food truck vendor and special event permits.

Public Safety Committee commented on Dodge Charge squad car is here and working on outfitting with equipment; Felix weekend went well for the department; and Dodge Durango squad is in shop for electrical issues.

Public Works Committee made comments on a bypass dump of the wastewater plant during Felix weekend; previous sewer project seems to be helping as no calls from residents were received during heavy rains; and sealcoating project of streets happening end of this week.

Smith moved and Rasmussen seconded adjournment of the meeting at 6:57pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, August 4, 2025, at 6:30pm.