

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 2, 2026, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Mcdonald, Stensland, Smith, Lamp, and Kuester. Absent: None. Visitors: Mel Bowen, Katie Rasmussen, Rich Ahlberg.

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

Kuester moved and Mcdonald seconded action for approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, January 19, 2026, and the work session held Wednesday, January 28, 2026; and approval of the January 2026 bills list. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Name	Description	Amount
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	PREMIUMS	3037.89
AFLAC	PREMIUMS	71.96
AG SOURCE COOP SERVICES	WASTEWATER/ROUTE CHARGE	1846.50
AIRGAS USA	OXYGEN	466.95
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	423.33
APPEL SERVICES LLC	REPAIRS	988.30
AT&T MOBILITY	CELLPHONE	273.80
AVESIS - FIDELITY SECURITY	PREMIUMS	271.28
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	5018.22
BMC AGGREGATES L.C.	SAND/SALT MIX	4376.67
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	AMBULANCE MEDS	724.63
CASELLE LLC	SEMIANNUAL SUPPORT FEES	7415.00
CHRISTIE DOOR COMPANY	SERVICES	1425.50
CIT SEWER SOLUTIONS	SERVICES	3467.48
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER	CHILD SUPPORT	463.42
DAN DEERY MOTORS	POLICE DEPT DURANGO SERVICES	201.02
DANIEL BANGASSER	CELL PHONE	39.95
ECONO SIGNS LLC	SIGNAGE	201.43
EMS LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER	SUPPLIES	306.00
FIRE TEXT RESPONSE LLC	SERVICES	439.75
GLADBROOK LINCOLN AMBULANCE	MONITOR	5000.00
GNB BANK	SUPPLIES	3223.44
GORDON FLESCH COMPANY INC	COPIER	265.77
GRUNDY CENTER DEVELOPMENT C	FY2026 ANNUAL SUPPORT	25000.00
GRUNDY CENTER UTILITIES	UTLITIES/INSURANCE DIVIDEND	21543.98
GRUNDY COUNTY MEM HOSPITAL	AMBULANCE MEDS	607.57
GRUNDY COUNTY RECORDER	SERVICES	57.00
GUIFANG NONG	BIG GRANT	4193.00
HACH COMPANY	SUPPLIES	194.05
HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	SERVICES	375.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FUEL	6759.34
HSA - ABBAS, KENNETH	HSA PREMIUMS	4903.82
HSA - APPEL, TANNER	HSA PREMIUMS	100.00
HSA - BAGENSTOS, BROOKE	HSA PREMIUMS	2250.00
HSA - BANGASSER, DAN	HSA PREMIUMS	4880.00
HSA - BOWEN, MEL	HSA PREMIUMS	4750.00
HSA - CARSON, KODI	HSA PREMIUMS	4600.00

HSA - FLATER, BRAD	HSA PREMIUMS	4600.00
HSA - FREESE LINDSEY	HSA PREMIUMS	4500.00
HSA - GLIEM, DWIGHT	HSA PREMIUMS	4700.00
HSA - LUFKIN, KENDRA	HSA PREMIUMS	4811.50
HSA - MEESTER, SHANNON	HSA PREMIUMS	100.00
HSA - MULLER MICHAEL	HSA PREMIUMS	2250.00
HSA - OBERLE, JACOB	HSA PREMIUMS	4500.00
HSA - RASMUSSEN, KATIE A	HSA PREMIUMS	4824.00
HSA - SAWYER, KRISTY	HSA PREMIUMS	4820.00
HSA - SCHMIDT, BRADLEY	HSA PREMIUMS	4810.00
HSA - WILSON, JASON	HSA PREMIUMS	4620.00
HSA-BUNKERS BRANDON	HSA PREMIUMS	2250.00
HSA-BUNKERS, EMERY	HSA PREMIUMS	2250.00
HSA-LAUVER MATT	HSA PREMIUMS	4500.00
HSA-MCCORMACK, TYLER	HSA PREMIUMS	4500.00
HSA-NATVIG, JAMES A	HSA PREMIUMS	4540.00
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FEDERAL WITHHOLDING TAX	25993.07
IOWA GEMT PAYMENT PROGRAM	SERVICES	844.08
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	SERVICES	20.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	137.70
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES	WATER	25825.69
IPERS	CONTRIBUTIONS	18026.11
JEREMY EILERS	REFUND	105.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SUPPLIES	254.01
K & W ELECTRIC INC.	SERVICES	150.00
KENDRA LUFKIN	JANITOR	468.92
NAPA AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	683.98
NORTH IA AREA COMM COLLEGE	TRAINING	1957.25
PRA PLUNKETT RAYSICH ARCHITECTS LLC	SERVICES	1503.76
PRECISION LAWN CARE	SERVICES	6441.66
RC SYSTEMS	SUPPLIES	80.43
REC GRUNDY COUNTY	UTILITIES	172.23
RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE	PREMIUMS	1506.30
RITE ENVIRONMENTAL INC	012026 SERVICES	26929.53
ROUSE MOTOR	REPAIRS	1349.24
SECTOR LLC	SERVICES	542.00
STATE WITHHOLDING	STATE W/H TAXES	3064.41
STRAND ASSOCIATES INC	SERVICES	6375.00
T&T COMPUTERS	SERVICES	75.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	TAXES	4115.00
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	RUGS	457.77
UNITYPOINT HEALTH AT WORK	SERVICES	337.18
UPPER ELEMENTARY	RENT	3757.00
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	181.97
USABLUBOOK	SUPPLIES	92.82

VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	PARTS	59.41
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	117.90
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS BS	PREMIUMS	30092.67
ZOLL MEDICAL CORPORATION	MAINTENANCE PLAN AMBULANCE	680.00
TOTAL		345134.64

Mayor Eberline opened the annual department updates with Kristy Sawyer, Clerk. Sawyer reviewed budget request for 3% increase in wages, printing costs, and software support for the clerk's budget. Sawyer then commented on the City Hall budget for FY2027 for increase to purchase an alert app and potential city website review and update. Katie Rasmussen, Chamber Main Street Director, provided update for continued advocacy and support for the Chamber Main Street Program; consideration of recommendations and improvements from Main Street and community revitalization; and a 3% salary increase. Rasmussen provided program performance comparison over the last four years showing business starts, new jobs created, building projects, buildings sold, public dollars invested and private building acquisitions and volunteer hours contributions. Dan Bangasser, Public Works Director, provided department updates for the streets, pool, road use tax, and utility funds. Bangasser mentioned the sanitation contract with Rite Environmental expires December 31, 2026, and possible increase will be discussed at a later date. No further discussions or action taken.

Smith moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2026-09, a resolution to approve the public purpose policy for 2026. Stensland questioned how often the resolution is used and if proper receipts are necessary, clerk commented that little usage and receipts are required for all purchases with public funds. Annual audit requires this resolution to be reviewed annually. No further discussions, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and Smith seconded action on Resolution 2026-10, a resolution to authorize the hiring of a part time police officer and set the wage. Chief Natvig commented that with two new full-time officers attending upcoming academy, the part time staff will need to be required to help cover available shifts. Lamp asked on the count of current officers, Natvig commented four full-time and four part-time with this new hire. This new hire is already a certified officer and only cost to the City will be for some equipment, no academy costs needed.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 7:15pm. Rich Ahlberg asked for update on 1208 J Avenue property purchase and clean up. No further comments were made, public forum closed at 7:16pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk commented on junk and junk vehicle ordinance draft and scheduled a committee meeting prior to next council meeting.

Public Safety Committee commented January 2026 call stats of 59 traffic stops, 6 accidents and 85 calls for services; and Officer McCormack attending academy March – May and Officer Morgan attending academy May – August.

Public Works Committee made no further comments.

Council Member Stensland asked for Grundy Center Municipal Utilities annual update and necessary financial documents monthly. Next GCMU Board Meeting is February 19, 2026, at 7am.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:20pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, February 2, 2026, at 6:30pm.

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk

Dr. Paul Eberline, Mayor