

# Pleasantville City Council Meeting

## June 17, 2025 at 5:30pm

Mayor Kody Jurgens opened the meeting with council members Aaron Hurt, Rachel Lopez, Jon Koehn, and Kyle Patterson present. Council member Jordan Van Ness was absent.

Mayor Jurgens gave thanks to everyone for making the pond celebration and the Pig Out celebration a success.

Public Works Director, Shawn Breazeale, informed the council that there are issues with the Agri Drain system that was installed as part of the pond project to control the level of the pond. He explained water is passing through the drain, they have temporarily plugged the drainpipe so the pond will fill to the normal level. They will continue to work on it this week to see if they can get the system panels to seal. He also informed the council that the final seeding has not been completed around the pond, and it was to be done last month.

Attorney, Bob Stuyvesant, explained that the property located at 300 S Columbus has removed 1 vehicle and mowed the yard. Several junk vehicles and previously identified issues remain on the property, so he intends to file the municipal infraction.

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of May 2025 financial reports, approval of water consumption report for May 2025, approval of employee comp time, approval of comp time carry over for Adam Choat, approval of Police Report, approval of liquor license renewal for Dollar General, approval of retail tobacco license for Casey's, approval of tobacco license for Dollar General, and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	COPIER	209.77	MEDIACOM	PH/INTERNET	329.95
ADVANTAGE ADMINIS	MEDICAL	50	MENARDS DES MOINES	SUPPLIES	42.81
ADVANTAGE ADMINIS	GROUP INSURANCE	52.5	MENARDS DES MOINES	FAUCETS	238.42
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.	RURAL WATER	248	MICROBAC LAB	TESTING	437.75
APRIL SCHRADER	MPI TRAINING AMES-MI	82.6	MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	3,616.87
AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS CO.	WA PLANT ELECTRICAL	687.5	MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC	REPAIR VALVE	130.71
BANLEACO	LED LIGHTING	297.11	NATE GUENTHER	LL UMPIRE	240
BEN SHINN TRUCKING	ROCK STREETS/WATER	565.88	TREASURER-STATE OF IA	STATE TAX	1,215.30
SHAWN BREAZEALE	DIGESTER BEARINGS	61.76	PEOPLES BANK	LIBRARY PETTY CASH	40
BROWN SANITATION	RECYCLING	720	PEOPLES BANK	NSF fee	3.65
CAPITAL CITY EQUIPMENT	TRACKLOADE	149.4	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	100
CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	APRIL/MAY CLEANING	975	POSTMASTER	WATER BILLS	316.96
CITY OF PLEASANTVILLE	WA UTILITY	428.16	RICH THOMAS	retaining wall	3,000.00
CLOUSER PLUMBING	MONROE/COLUM	8,700.00	ROLL-OFFS OF DM	CLEAN UP DAYS	2,016.00
COLONIAL LIFE	COLONIAL PRETAX	70.18	RON AMMONS	LL UMPIRE	760
COWDEN SANITATION	MAY/JUNE SANITATION	350	SANGOMA USA INC	PHONE SYSTEM	196.4
CUMMINS SALES AND SVC	INSPECTION/MAINT	425.82	SIMMERING-CORY	CODE WEB HOSTING	450
DOLLAR GENERAL	CONTRACTOR BAGS	7.65	SMITH FERT AND GRAIN	PARKS-ROUNDUP	32.64
DOLLAR GENERAL	BATTERIES/GATORADE	47.4	SCISWA LANDFILL	CLEAN UP DAYS	394.41
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,948.18	STATE HYGIENIC LAB	WA TESTING	290.5
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,787.50	STRAW HAT FARMS	FLOWERS/SOIL	70.75
EFTPS	FORM 720-FED FEE	27.76	TROY GILCHRIST	CELL STIPEND	20
ELITE PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	40	TYLER FLESHER	CELL STIPEND	20
FARM & HOME	BATHROOM COUPLINGS	51.98	UMB BANK TRUST	GO BOND PYMT	224,250.00
FORBES OFFICE	COPIER	157.31	UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO	VALVE BOX	292.78
GALLS, LLC	PD UNIFORM	1,608.32	VEENSTRA AND KIMM	PERMITS	6,560.00
GRAINGER	SOLENOID VALVE	264.8	VISA	WILL INTERACTIVE	936.62
GRIMES ASPHALT & PAVING	COLD MIX	1,342.30	WAGNER & MILLER PLUMB	FLUSH VALVE	265
HACH	TESTING EQUIP	251.9	WAGNER & MILLER PLUMB	PARK RESTROOMS	134.54
HAMM INC	ROCK STREETS/WATER	1,722.21	WINDSTREAM	PH/INTERNET	95
HARVEY ELECTRIC	WATER PLANT MOTOR	958	Accounts Payable Total		705,282.64
HAWKINS INC	SUPPLIES	50		600 WATER	178.01
HAWKINS INC	WA TREATMENT SUPPLIES	50		Refund Checks Total	178.01
MARION COHUMANE SOCIETY	ANIMAL CONTROL	417.5	Payroll Checks		37,947.77
I & S GROUP, INC	ENGINEERING	1,235.00	**** REPORT TOTAL ****		743,408.42
IDNR	WA CERTIFICATION	61.5	GENERAL		54,909.82
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	STATE ST WATER MAIN	88,006.18	MEMORIAL HALL		3.5
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	JASPER ST WATER MAIN	21,100.00	ROAD USE TAX		11,461.67
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WWTP DIGESTER	28,178.89	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		130.26
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WW TREATMENT PLANT	258,092.80	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		745
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER LINING	18,226.25	DEBT SERVICE		224,250.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	17.1	CAPITAL PROJ-PARK PROJE		179.98
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	SALES TAX	498.65	CAPITAL PROJ-ADKINS DE		248
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA EXCISE TAX	1,393.69	EQUIPMENT		8,700.00
IPERS	PROTECTED IPERS	7,813.82	WATER		18,442.98

JULIE COWDEN	WATER	7.96	WATER SINKING	109,106.18
KARL EMERGENCY VEHICLES	SPOTLIGHT/MT/LABOR	930.91	SEWER	10,702.93
KODY JURGENS	LL UMPIRE	30	SEWER SINKING	304,497.94
KYLE SITES	LL UMPIRE	210	STORM WATER	30.16
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET	176.34	TOTAL FUNDS	743,408.42

Revenue received during month of May 2025: General Fund \$45,340.27; Road Use Tax \$19,255.41; Employee Benefits \$10,007.12; Local Option Sales Tax \$24,738.88; Debt Service \$9,297.25; Capital Proj-Adkins Development \$121,472.89; Capital Proj-Light Park Path \$450.00; Water \$40,965.68; Water Sinking \$13,318.84; Sewer \$49,410.56; Sewer Sinking \$26,415.50; Storm Water \$2,027.59.

#### New Business:

The council discussed the occupancy agreement and liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies. Mayor Jurgens explained that she is a moving vendor like the food truck vendors. Her email explains that people can pre-order on her app and then they prepare the product and have it ready when they arrive. The wine slushies are sealed so they are not open containers. They also carry general liability insurance in addition to the dram shop insurance. She is requesting to hold two pop-up events at the ballfield parking lot on July 7<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup>. The dates requested are Mondays and the ball season has ended. There was no action taken.

Breazeale informed the council that Cheryl Crownover had a water generated sump pump and is requesting a sewer adjustment. He explained that the council has approved one sewer adjustment in the past for a water generated sump pump, with the understanding that the sump pump was to be replaced with a power generated sump pump. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson to table until the next council meeting to get a copy of the bill to see the adjustment amount being requested. All voting in favor motion carried.

Mayor Jurgens explained the Pleasantville School voted in favor to partner with the city for a School Resource Officer for 20% of the officer's time. He explained Chief Choat will fill this position until Officer Lenger completes the academy. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to approve the Sharing Agreement with Pleasantville Community School District for a School Resource Officer. All voting in favor motion carried.

Chief Choat explained to the council that one of the part-time officers that was recently hired is not available to cover as many shifts due to a scheduling change with his full-time department. Chief Choat recommends the council approve of hiring Matt Schneider part-time to help cover the shifts needed. Mayor Jurgens asked if he was a certified officer. Choat informed them that he is a certified reserve officer. Jurgens asked if his pay rate would be the same as a certified officer at \$28.49/hr., Choat confirmed that. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to approve to hire Matt Schneider as a part-time officer. All voting in favor motion carried.

The council discussed the local option sales tax grant applications. They discussed approving the applications this year and informing applicants that the grant will not be available next year as the city needs to focus on infrastructure needs. The application from IMPACT was discussed and concerns were brought to the council's attention as local citizens reached out to them and were informed that assistance was not available. The Gladys Black Memorial application was also discussed as a citizen hired a private contractor to do grounds maintenance. Mayor Jurgens explained we have part-time summer help that the city has hired to complete these duties. Motion by Lopez to approve the following grant applications; Pleasantville Senior Center \$3500, Pleasantville Chamber of Commerce \$2500, Marion County Special Olympics \$600, Friends of Webb Shadle Public Library \$2500, Pleasantville Christmas on the Square \$1000, HIRTA \$1500, Pleasantville Youth Initiative \$5000, and Gladys Black Memorial Tower/Sally Vander Linden \$250. All voting in favor motion carried.

The mayor and council briefly discussed performance-based raises vs. COLA raises. Direction was given to Breazeale to give deadlines to employees to complete grade levels. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson to approve a 3% COLA for all employees effective July 1, 2025. New wages to be as follows; Adam Choat \$43.26/hr., Lance Eysink \$32.69/hr., Josh Lenger \$26.04/hr., all part-time certified officers \$29.34/hr., Shawn Breazeale \$42.15/hr., Troy Gilchrist \$29.99/hr., TJ Flesher \$25.56/hr. plus \$.25 for each test passed for grade 1 and grade 2 certifications, Rachel Reed \$37.78/hr., April Schrader \$24.60/hr., Jordan Flaws \$24.21/hr.

Engineer, Joey Whitehouse, talked with the council about the preliminary engineering report for the water treatment plant. He explained the goals are to address the DNR chloride compliance schedule, the failing iron filter system, and the aging water tower and to try to plan for a system that will last the next 75 to 100 years. He explained the recommendation from ISG is to put in an RO plant to tackle the aging infrastructure in the current plant and meet those chloride limits. The city has two wells, well #2 is well functioning, but they are looking at rehabbing or replacing well #1. Well #1 has been re-lined once so it may be possible to rehab it. If it must be replaced that cost will be approximately \$4.5M. They also recommend the aging water tower be replaced with a 400,000-gallon tower. The estimated cost for the tower is \$5M-\$5.5M. The council would like to schedule a work/study session to go over the engineering report in more detail. They would also like to have the city's public finance director attend this meeting to discuss SRF financing.

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to enter into closed session pursuant to IA Code Chapter 21.5.1(C). All voting in favor motion carried.

There was no action from the closed session.

Council Member Hurt requested to revisit the agreement with Lucky Wife Wine Slushies. He explained he does not see any issue with allowing the pop-up event on the dates requested. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson to approve the Occupancy Agreement with Lucky Wife Wine Slushies for sealed wine slushy sales at the ballfield parking lot July 7<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup>. All voting in favor motion carried.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Lopez to adjourn the meeting. All voting in favor, motion carried.

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Mayor, Kody Jurgens

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Attest: Rachel Reed, City Clerk