

Pleasantville City Council Meeting

September 16, 2025 at 5:30pm

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

Council Member Hurt asked that more clarification be included in the letters to property owners regarding weeds. City Clerk/Admin, Rachel Reed, explained that she has tried to contact each of the property owners that received letters to give them an explanation, but will include more detail in the letters. Hurt also asked about the property located at the corner of Jasper and Columbus. Attorney, Bob Stuyvesant, informed the council that his processor has been to a couple addresses to serve him and they haven't been able to locate the property owner. Reed reminded Stuyvesant that she had sent him a new address in Ankeny. Stuyvesant explained that it is pending in court. Hurt asked how long we allow this to keep going on, he doesn't want it to be an indefinite process as it has been 6 months since the initial complaint. Stuyvesant explained it can be an issue when the property owner can't be located.

Public Works Director, Shawn Breazeale, informed the council that the Shadle Park Pond is low because of the constant leak with the Agri-drain system. He explained they are dropping the level of the pond so they can put quikrete in the Agri-drain to try to get it to seal. If that does not solve the problem, then most likely the system will have to be replaced. He explained that we have about \$10,700 of contingency funds that haven't been released. Hurt asked about a follow-up meeting regarding the water treatment plant. Reed informed the council that we are waiting to hear back from Marion County Rural Water on whether they intend to continue to purchase water from the city because this will help determine the cost of the treatment plant.

Parks & Rec Director, Jordan Flaws, informed the council that wrestling registrations opens this Friday and close on Oct. 3rd and basketball registration will end Monday. Also, the comedian is scheduled for Saturday Oct. 4th at the Memorial Hall.

Police Chief, Adam Choat, informed the council that Josh is on his 3rd week at the academy.

Library Director, JoEllen Glick, thanked Chief Choat for the story time session that he had with the children.

Attorney, Bob Stuyvesant, informed the council that the litigation with the prior police officer is resolved without the 2 additional things they requested.

Louis Plude informed the council that the Christmas on the Square Committee has been planning and adding activities to this years celebration. He will have more details on the activities and events at the October council meeting.

Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Patterson to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of August 2025 financial reports, approval of water consumption report for August 2025, approval of employee comp time, approval of Police Report, approval of the Annual Urban Renewal Report, approval of the Annual Street Finance Report, and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	COPIER	209.77	MARION COUNTY SHERIFF	CELLEBRITE LICENSE	1,127.78
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	GROUP INS	52.5	MCKAY INSURANCE	POLICY CHANGE	486
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	MEDICAL	82.13	MEDIACOM	STREET DEPT	176.15
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	MEDICAL	58.7	MELLEN & ASSOCIATES, INC	WHEEL/NUT DRIVE	1,201.42
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	MEDICAL	64.08	MENARDS DES MOINES	SUPPLIES	154.34
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.	WATER CONTRACT	124	MICROBAC LAORATORIES	TESTING	572
AMES PUBLIC LIBRARY	BOOKS	22.99	MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	5,410.61
AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS CO.	PLC ALARMS	3,013.77	MILLER VENTURES LLC	POND INSPETION	220
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	68.35	NAPA AUTO PARTS	FUEL PUMP/AIR FILETER	710.51
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	515.33	NAPA AUTO PARTS	BRAKE CLNR/ WIPER	87.22
BAKER & TAYLOR	books	76.92	NORTHCOTE MEATS INC.	CONCESSIONS	83.5
BANLEACO	LED LIGHTING	297.11	TREASURER-STATE OF IA	STATE TAXES	1,282.88
BLUE SOMBRERO	ACH FEE	3	TREASURER-STATE OF IA	STATE TAX	17.19
BLUE SOMBRERO	ACH FEE	6	PELLA COOPERATIVE	UTILITIES	2,394.83
BLUE SOMBRERO	ACH FEE	3	PEOPLES BANK	FB CONCESSIONS	250
BOOK SYSTEMS, INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	1,229.00	PEOPLES BANK	NSF	1.48
BROWN SANITATION	RECYCLING	810	PEOPLES BANK	ACH FEE	10
CASEY'S	FUEL	2,243.03	PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE	81.27
CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	AUGUST CLEANING	512.5	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	105.83
CENTRAL IOWA TOWING	PD TAHOE	144.43	POSTMASTER	Water Bills	350.14
CITY OF PLEASANTVILLE	WATER UTILITIES	318.59	QUILL CORPORATION	TP/FOLDERS/NOTEPAD	134.07
COLONIAL LIFE	COLONIAL PRETAX	70.18	SANGOMA USA INC	PHONE SYSTEM	196.08
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	6,300.72	SMITH FERTILIZER & GRAIN	WEED KILLER	65.28
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,987.13	STACK PAY TRANSFER	REGISTRATION	46.46

EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	410.77	T-MOBILE	COMMUNICATIONS	52.6
ELITE PEST CONTROL	LIB PEST CONTROL	40	THE DES MOINES REGISTER	SUBSCRIPTION	15
ELITE PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	135	TROY GILCHRIST	CELL STIPEND	20
PLEASANTVILLE EMS	QUARTERLY PAYMENT	23,799.25	TYLER FLESHER	CELL STIPEND	20
FARM & HOME	CONTRACTOR BAGS	31.99	VEENSTRA AND KIMM, INC	PERMITS	3,455.00
FARM & HOME	SUPPLIES	773.61	VERIZON	COMMUNICATIONS	80.05
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	METER BASES	112.09	VISA	FB PANTS/DECAL/VB/FB	4,325.69
FORBES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	LIB COPY MACHINE	160.04	WAGNER PLUMBING	PVC COUPLING	22.6
GALLS, LLC	PANTS	267.62	WAGNER PLUMBING	SHELTER HOUSE LEAK	107.14
GRAINGER	SCALE BATTERY	5.45	WINDSTREAM	LIB PH/INTERNET	145.98
HARTFIEL AUTOMATION INC	DIGESTER VALVE KITS	462.84	WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS	CONF REGISTRATION	215
HAWKINS INC	CHLORINE CYLINDER	24.04	Accounts Payable Total		96,874.78
HERRMANN COMPUTER SVC	IT SERVICES	1,684.00		Refund Checks Total	
HUMANE SOCIETY	ANIMAL CONTROL	417.5	Payroll Checks		41,009.86
HY-VEE	ACADEMY MEALS	2,707.00	***** REPORT TOTAL *****		137,884.64
I & S GROUP, INC	CIP	3,882.83	GENERAL		87,996.31
IMFOA	CERTIFICATION	75	MEMORIAL HALL		21.06
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	MEMBERSHIP DUES	1,379.00	ROAD USE TAX		12,241.99
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	SALES TAX	529.35	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		452.32
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA EXCISE TAX	1,628.22	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		2,967.83
IPERS	PROTECTED IPERS	8,181.26	CAPITAL PROJ-ADKINS DEV		124
IPERS	IPERS	322.6	EQUIPMENT		629.99
J & M ROOFING & MAINT., INC	PD ROOF REPAIR	1,445.00	CAP PROJ-WA QUALITY PROJ		220
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	FB COACH SHIRTS	222	WATER		14,836.64
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	VOLLEYBALL SHIRTS	520	SEWER		18,365.18
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	SOCCER SHIRTS	1,014.00	STORM WATER		29.32
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS	LIFE INS	250.41	TOTAL FUNDS		137,884.64
MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	PUBLICATIONS	556.58			

Revenue received during month of August 2025: General Fund \$13,609.01; Road Use Tax \$19,201.67; Local Option Sales Tax \$19,522.59; Water \$42,714.58; Water Sinking \$21,310.00; Sewer \$50,268.55; Sewer Sinking \$55,917.48; Storm Water \$2,039.54.

New Business:

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to approve street closure on Jackson Street from Jefferson to Washington on Oct. 2nd from 3-7pm for Peoples Bank Homecoming Tailgate event. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Reed talked to the council adopting an LMI Set-Aside funds Policy. She provided samples of policies to the council and talked about projects that can be included in the policy. Council members Lopez and Van Ness volunteered to serve on a subcommittee to help develop a policy for the council to consider.

Reed informed the council that she reached out to Iowa Codification for sample ordinances for temporary outdoor liquor licenses. Chief Choat talked about requirements of other agencies with which he has worked. The council agreed to have Reed present an ordinance to the council that would require a certified peace officer for an event with an attendance of 150 or more and a perimeter of at least 4ft in height surrounding the service area.

Reed informed the council that Michelle Greene reached out to see if the city would consider lowering the price for the commercial lot at 1012 W Pleasant St. as it has been on the market for over 4 months and she has not had any serious prospects. The council discussed the potential development surrounding the lot and the cost the city has in the lot. The council agreed to keep it listed as it is.

Old Business:

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to enter into closed session pursuant to IA Code Chapter 21.5.1(c), to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation. Hurt aye, Lopez aye, Koehn aye, Patterson aye, and Van Ness aye. Motion carried.

No action was taken from the closed session.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Van Ness to adjourn. All voting in favor motion carried.

Mayor, Kody Jurgens

Attest: Rachel Reed, City Clerk