

Pleasantville City Council Meeting

April 21, 2026 at 5:35pm

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

Mayor Jurgens opened the public hearing on the proposed FY 2026-2027 budget. City Clerk/Admin, Rachel Reed, noted that the proposed budget includes a \$1.16 decrease in the levy. No additional written or oral questions or comments were received. Motion by Patterson to close the public hearing. Seconded by Lopez. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Public Works Director Shawn Breazeale informed the council that the water loss report indicates up to a 36% loss. He has been investigating and believes the issue stems from one of the large meters, so he has ordered new parts. Councilman Hurt asked whether the DNR noncompliance letter was included on the agenda. Breazeale confirmed it was added to the council packets for review. Hurt then requested it be placed on the agenda for discussion and a possible closed session at the next meeting.

Mayor Jurgens shared that Jordan Flaws reported a successful weekend tournament and is coordinating with the Pleasantville Betterment Organization to plan a drive-in movie night in May or June.

Reed reminded the council of the Iowa Economic Development Authority's presentation on April 29th at 6pm at the Memorial Hall.

Librarian JoEllen Glick reported to the council that the library hosted multiple events over the past month and is planning additional events in the coming months, including their summer reading program.

Attorney Bob Stuyvesant notified the council that the city now owns the Fenton property after receiving the change of title. He clarified that there was an issue concerning a property tax notice sent to Reed, but since the county attorney hadn't given the treasurer the order stating the city acquires the property free and clear, the taxes will be abated. Additionally, Stuyvesant reported to the council that he had received an email from the Iowa Public Information Board's attorney confirming the information provided about former Officer Good was adequate, and they were now waiting for the newspaper's attorney to finalize matters.

Julie Irving inquired whether the city had received any updates from the county regarding the painting of lines on Old Business Hwy 5. Breazeale responded that the county had contacted him, informing him that the company hired for road painting this summer should be reaching out. However, he has not been contacted by them yet.

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of March 2026 financial reports, approval of water consumption report for March 2026, approval of employee comp time, approval of Police Report, approval of liquor license renewal for Lakefront Living LLC, approval of liquor license renewal for Checkerboard Restaurant Inc., and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

A TEAM APPAREL	THANK YOU BANNER	50	MENARDS DES MOINES	SUPPLIES	54.03
A TEAM APPAREL	LL SHIRTS	2,280.50	MICROBAC LAORATORIES INC	TESTING	617
ABBY K GLANN	ZOOM REIMBURSMET	16.99	MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	3,840.76
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	COPIER	209.77	MIDWEST SANITATION	SANITATION	225
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	STAPLES FOR PRINTER	114.89	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	BODY CAM YEARLY FEE	2,754.00
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	GROUP INS	52.5	NORRIS AUTOMOTIVE SVC	VEHICLE SUPPLIES	638.47
BROWN SANITATION	RECYCLING	810	NORTHCOTE MEATS INC.	CONCESSION FOOD	714.95
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	FUEL	1,454.82	NORTHCOTE MEATS INC.	CONCESSIONS	112.94
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	FUEL	1,488.76	PELLA COOPERATIVE	UTILITIES	3,806.07
CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	MARCH CLEANING	392.5	PEOPLES BANK	CONCESSIONS	300
CITY OF PLEASANTVILLE	WATER BILLS	279.92	PEOPLES BANK	Analysis Charge	4.73
CITY OF URBANDALE	SALT STORAGE	583.8	PEOPLES BANK	ACH FEE	10
CJ COOPER & ASSOCIATES INC	EMPLOYEE SCREENING	55	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL	POSTAGE MACHINE	81.27
DENNIS DEAVER	UMPIRE 4/18	300	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	144.27
DES MOINES DIRT WORX, LLC	SHADLE PARK POND	10,720.00	POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	348.92
DOLLAR GENERAL	SUPPLIES	85.25	PRAIRIE AG SUPPLY	OIL/FILTER/FILTER KIT	352.44
DOLLAR GENERAL	BATTERIES	10	QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE CHAIR	680.72
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,600.17	QUILL CORPORATION	SOAP REFILL	68.39
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	6,381.93	RACHEL REED	MI/M&IE DUBUQUE CONF	358.41
ELITE PEST CONTROL	LIB PEST CONTROL	40	RAMAEKER ENTERPRISES,INC	WRESTLING BEANIES	660
EMC INSURANCE	INSURANCE	100,120.00	SANGOMA USA INC	PHONE SYSTEM	197.07
PLEASANTVILLE EMS	QUARTERLY PAYMENT	23,799.25	STOREY KENWORTHY	UTILITY BILLS	758.89
FARM & HOME	GLOVES	29.98	STRYKER SALES, LLC	AED PADS	106
FARM & HOME	AIR FILTER/MSC	7.18	SUPER BRIGHT LEDs	PARK PATH LIGHTS	4,109.18
FARM & HOME	SINK PARTS	58.45	T-MOBILE	COMMUNICATIONS	52.6

FERGUSON WATERWORKS	METERS	8,143.99	THE DES MOINES REGISTER	SUBSCRIPTION	14.16
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	6FT ANTENA	200	TODD MCQUEEN	UMPIRE 4/18	100
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	MACH10 METER	544.82	TROY GILCHRIST	CELL STIPEND	20
GALLS, LLC	SHIRT	94.97	TYLER FLESHER	CELL STIPEND	20
HACH	TESTING	260.05	U S CELLULAR	COMMUNICATIONS	314.87
HACH	SENSOR CAPS	807.2	U S CELLULAR	COMMUNICATIONS	314.88
HACH	TESTING	95.6	VEENSTRA AND KIMM, INC	TRADE PERMITS	470
HAWKEYE TRUCK EQUIP	LIGHT/RH HEADLIGHT	417.35	VERIZON	COMMUNICATIONS	80.05
HAWKINS INC	SUPPLIES	20	VISA	CHAMP/INK/BALLS/HAT/HTH	3,623.21
HAWKINS INC	CHLORINE	20	VSP	VISION	222.91
MARION CO HUMANE SOCIETY	ANIMAL CONTROL	417.5	VSP	VISION	222.91
I & S GROUP, INC	CIP	2,515.00	WAGNER & MILLER PLUMBING	CONCESSION REPAIR	133.76
IA DEPT NATURAL RESOURCES	SALES TAX	320.32	WELLMARK BL CR/BL SH	GROUP INSURANCE	13,207.14
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	WARRENT SYSTEM	300	UNITI	LIB PH/INTERNET	146.25
IHYDRANT	IHYDRANT BATTERIES	300	Accounts Payable Total		217,141.20
IOWA POND GUY, LLC	POND ALGAE CONTROL	750	Payroll Checks		39,109.18
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA EXCISE TAX	1,319.81	***** REPORT TOTAL *****		256,250.38
J&K TREE SERVICE	STUMP REMOVAL	400	GENERAL		129,043.81
KODY JURGENS	UMPIRE 4/18	150	MEMORIAL HALL		4,014.00
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	ADULT VB SHIRTS	96	ROAD USE TAX		19,275.29
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	TBALL SHIRTS	954	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		30,114.48
LEE BRECHT	UMPIRE 4/18	350	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		1,257.50
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS	LIFE INS	274.18	CAPITAL PROJ-PARK PROJECT		255.33
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS	LIFE INS	274.18	CAP PROJ-LIGHT PARK PATH		4,109.18
MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	PUBLICATIONS	450.57	CAP PROJ-WA QUALITY PROJ		10,747.99
MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	PUBLICATIONS	152.52	WATER		32,505.55
MCKAY INSURANCE	CYBER POLICY	2,212.91	SEWER		24,899.56
MEDIACOM	STREET DEPT	276.26	STORM WATER		27.69
MENARDS ALTOONA	JACK/PAD LOCKS/KEY	87.67	TOTAL FUNDS		256,250.38
MENARDS DES MOINES	TRASH CANS/FUSE	108.39			

Revenue received during month of March 2026: General Fund \$25,503.71; Road Use Tax \$16,528.74; Employee Benefits \$5,094.46; LOST \$21,952.78; TIF \$2,272.18; Debt Service \$3,926.96; Cap. Proj. Water Quality/Pond Proj. \$4,610; Water \$30,601.90; Water Sinking \$10,655; Sewer \$51,393.68; Sewer Sinking \$27,958.74; Storm Water \$2,091.40

New Business:

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Kain to approve Resolution 26-11, approving the FY 2026-2027 budget. Hurt aye, Lopez aye, Kain aye, and Patterson aye. Motion carried.

Stuyvesant informed the council that he received a settlement agreement from Adkins' attorney, which he then sent to both the county attorney and Reed for review by the council. The county's civil attorney reviewed the agreement and added amendments to it. Stuyvesant said that after Adkins' attorney reviews the amendments, the county will discuss and vote on the agreement. He also mentioned the city may need to schedule a special meeting to vote on it after the county meets. Motion by Patterson, seconded by Lopez to table the settlement agreement and mutual release with Adkins Specialized Carriers, LLC. All in favor, motion carried. and mutual release with Adkins Specialized Carriers, LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Dan Nieland, Marion County Development Director, spoke to the council about housing development opportunities in Pleasantville, noting the area's potential due to its proximity to the metro area, good school district, and good incentives from the city. Council member Hurt thanked Nieland for his time and what he has done for the city and county. Hurt emphasized the need for natural gas utility access to enable expansion. He would like to see the city focus on commercial growth. Mayor Jurgens discussed the need for housing to support commercial growth. He stressed affordable housing not low-income. Nieland explained that he and Reed have been working with UNI to develop an Economic Development Action Plan requested by MidAmerican. Although, some developers build without natural gas utility. Nieland told the council he is available for contact as they address growth in Pleasantville and the natural gas issue.

Reed informed the council that approximately \$12,000 will remain in the Shadle Park Project fund. She inquired whether the council preferred to transfer these funds back to the local option sales tax fund or allocate them toward additional improvements around the pond. The council discussed the topic of park path lighting. Council Member Kain noted that the PBO is concentrating its fundraising efforts on completing the path lighting project. Mayor Jurgens expressed interest in dedicating a portion of the funds to repairing the existing dock. The council agreed to have public works inspect the dock and proceed with any necessary repairs.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Lopez to set a public hearing for the FY 2026 budget amendment for May 19, 2026 at 5:30pm. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Reed provided the council with a quote for downtown banners for the 4th of July. She noted that the brackets were purchased last year with the anniversary banners so the only cost would be for the banners. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Lopez to approve the purchase of ten D539 patriotic pole banners for downtown from the local option sales tax fund for \$936.50. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Lopez to approve tax abatement for 805 S Columbus St. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

None

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

Mayor, Kody Jurgens

Attest: Rachel Reed, City Clerk