

# Pleasantville City Council Meeting

## May 19, 2026 at 5:35pm

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

Mayor Jurgens opened the public hearing on the FY 2025-2026 budget amendment. City Clerk/Admin, Rachel Reed, noted that the budget amendment includes additional expenses for the police department for the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, parks for the pond maintenance contract and removal of dead trees, housing/urban renewal for building and trade permits, LOST fund for banners and possible tariffs on fireworks, TIF fund for additional revenue received to pay Vermeer Development, legal services, Memorial Hall for roof repair that was approved last fiscal year, property insurance, engineering fees, capital project fund for final pay app for the pond project and major repairs to well #2, sewer fund for the SRF loan payment for the digester, and transfers out of the TIF fund to the LMI fund and out of the sewer fund to the sewer sinking fund for the SRF loan payment. No additional written or oral questions or comments were received. Motion by Van Ness to close the public hearing. Seconded by Patterson. All voting in favor, motion carried.

**Council Member Comments:**

Van Ness shared that he has received several compliments on the new park path lights.

In addition, Hurt mentioned the cold patch for the pothole repairs.

Lopez inquired about an updated revenue/expense spreadsheets from the Rec Department.

Public Works Director Shawn Breazeale informed the council that the high number on the water loss report is due to the meter for North Corp. Breazeale also informed the council that city has had individuals reach out interested in the historical woodwork in the house at 118 E Jackson St. Attorney, Bob Stuyvesant, recommends individuals sign a liability waiver prior to entering the property. The council agreed to accept sealed bids for the historical woodwork and for bids to be due June 12<sup>th</sup> and opened at the regular council meeting June 16<sup>th</sup>. The buyer must personally remove and transport the woodwork within 2 weeks.

Lt. Lance Eysink informed the council that two of the three new radios have been installed in the patrol vehicles and that the LPR is up and running for the 3-month trial period.

Librarian, JoEllen Glick, updated the council with all the summer programs that the library is planning.

Engineer Joey Whitehouse informed the council that they are wrapping up the Capital Improvements Plan and will schedule a workshop to go over the plan with the council next month.

Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Patterson to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of April 2026 financial reports, approval of water consumption report for April 2026, approval of employee comp time, approval of Police Report, approval of retail tobacco license for Dollar General, approval of liquor license renewal for Dollar General, approval of liquor license renewal for Symmonds LLC DBA North End Tavern with a temporary premises transfer June 5<sup>th</sup> for the Pig Out Celebration at the ballfields, approval of special event liquor license for Symmonds LLC DBA Thirst Responder for the Pig Out Celebration on the City square, and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

ABBY K GLANN	ZOOM REIMBURSMENT	16.99	NORTHWAY WELL	WELL #2	39,790.00
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	COPIER	228.68	TREASURER-STATE OF IA	STATE TAXES	1,825.42
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	GROUP INS	52.5	PEOPLES BANK	ANALYSIS CHARGE	4.49
APRIL SCHRADER	BOX OF DORITOS	45	PEOPLES BANK	ACH FEE	10
BOBS CUSTOM TROPHIES	LIGHT PLAQUE	16.95	PITNEY BOWES INC	POSTAGE	201
BROWN SANITATION	RECYCLING	720	POSTMASTER	WATER BILLS	348.92
CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	APRIL CLEANING	481.25	QUILL CORPORATION	TOILET PAPER	167.09
CHRIS WEBER	UMPIRE	270	RAINBOW OF HEARTLAND	SWING REPLACEMENT PARTS	69
CITY OF PLEASANTVILLE	WATER BILLS	600.06	RICH HUDNUTT	UMPIRE	270
CJ COOPER & ASSOCIATES	CLEARING HOUSE FEE	45	RICH THOMAS	TREE STUMP REMOVAL IN PARK	150
COLONIAL LIFE	COLONIAL PRETAX	105.27	RICH THOMAS	CONCRETE FOR PATH LIGHTS	200
DOLLAR GENERAL	CONTRACTOR BAGS	24	SANGOMA USA INC	PHONE SYSTEM	196.75
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,785.60	SMITH FERT AND GRAIN	WEED KILLER	173.34
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	5,839.32	STATE INDUSTRIAL PROD	CHEMICALS	280
ELIJAH MILLER	LEAD SERV LINE	370	T-MOBILE	COMMUNICATIONS	53.1
ELITE PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	190	TROY GILCHRIST	CELL STIPEND	20
ELITE PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	40	TYLER FLESHER	CELL STIPEND	20
FARM & HOME	MULCH/LINE/STIHL	329.13	UMB BANK TRUST	HWY 5 & W PLEASANT GO BONDS	79,550.00
GRAYBAR ELECTRIC CO	BREAKER	2,123.20	UNITI	INTERNET	2,096.67
HACH	testing	220.05	VAN WALL EQUIPMENT	HY-GARD	208.98
HAWKINS INC	CHLORINE	361	VEENSTRA AND KIMM	ELECTRICAL/BUILDING PERMITS	4,513.00
MARION COHUMANE SOCIETY	ANIMAL CONTROL	417.5	VERIZON	PD/WW/W COMMUNICATIONS	189.27
I & S GROUP, INC	ENGINEERING	1,512.50	VISA	EMAILS/UATTEND/LOGIN/TRN/SCOOP	2,297.63

ILEA	ETHICS TRAINING	125	VISA	SD/PROGRAMS/BOOKS/SUBSCRIP/TWL	838.05
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	23.6	WELLMARK BL CR/BL SH	GROUP INS	13,207.14
IOWA POND GUY, LLC	POND CONTRACT	750	UNITI	LIB PH/INTERNET	146.25
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	SALES TAX	345.72	Accounts Payable Total		193,788.26
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA EXCISE TAX	1,185.28		WATER	116.55
IPERS	PROTECTED IPERS	12,015.62		Refund Checks Total	116.55
JENKINS GARDEN MARKET	REPLACEMENT TREE	74.99	Payroll Checks		38,475.30
JENKINS GARDEN MARKET	IJAG-LANDSCAPE	852.5	*** REPORT TOTAL ***		232,380.11
KARL CHEVROLET	DECALS	1,000.00	GENERAL		57,457.29
KNOXVILLE CLINIC	RANDOMSCREEN	36	MEMORIAL HALL		5.25
LEE BRECHT	UMPIRE	180	ROAD USE TAX		12,580.65
MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	PUBLICATIONS	525.32	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		11,662.04
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	HAYES DR	608.49	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX		496.5
MEDIACOM	STREET DEPT	30.15	DEBT SERVICE		79,550.00
MENARDS ALTOONA	FAUCETS	179.98	CAPITAL PROJ-PARK		318.87
MENARDS DES MOINES	SUPPLIES	1,030.54	CAPITAL PROJ-TREES		74.99
METERING & TECHNOLOGY	METER PARTS	34.49	CAP PROJ-LIGHT PATH		1,165.73
MICROBAC LAORATORIES INC	TESTING	818.25	EQUIPMENT		39,790.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	3,206.35	WATER		18,211.12
MIDWEST SANITATION	SANITATION	150	SEWER		11,036.67
NAPA AUTO PARTS	FUEL/AIR/OILFILTERS/OIL	1,982.94	STORM WATER		31
NORRIS AUTOMOTIVE	tires/suspension ball joint	1,565.94	TOTAL FUNDS		232,380.11
NORTHCOTE MEATS INC.	CONCESSIONS	447			

Revenue received during month of April 2026: General Fund \$238,750.04; Road Use Tax \$19,269.70; Employee Benefits \$99,169.38; LOST \$26,608.01; TIF \$62,277.73; Debt Service \$78,788.71; Cap. Proj. Light Park Path \$350; Water \$27,372.45; Water Sinking \$10,655; Sewer \$46,762.88; Sewer Sinking \$27,958.74; Storm Water \$2,098.98

#### New Business:

Motion by Lopez, seconded by Patterson to approve Resolution 26-12, approving the FY 2025-2026 budget amendment. Hurt aye, Lopez aye, Kain aye, Patterson aye, and Van Ness aye. Motion carried.

Tassi Fuson informed the council that the Firecracker 5K committee is planning to do the 5K at dusk at 8:00pm on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Van Ness requested that they send him the 5K route so the Fire Department can assist with traffic control. Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Kain to approve the Firecracker 5K at dusk on July 3, 2026. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Patterson to approve Resolution 26-13, approving FY 2026 transfers. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Breazeale provided the council with a quote for a seal coat on city streets and a 1.5-inch asphalt overlay on the road around the pond. Hurt asked if the pond road was meant to be resealed with pea gravel, but Breazeale explained that pea gravel would not hold up, the quote is specifically for an asphalt overlay. Van Ness asked if they plan to take off some of the top of the short section to level it out. Breazeale responded that they were going to perform work on the north side of the pond where the road dips. Hurt asked Reed if this project is one of the interfund transfers previously approved by council. Reed clarified that it is not a transfer, but a budgeted line item; the city currently has about \$95,000 in the budget that will not be used this fiscal year because the work cannot be scheduled for completion until after July 1<sup>st</sup>. Reed noted that the new budget allocates \$100,000, and the current cash balance in the Road Use Tax (RUT) Fund sits at approximately \$657,000, explaining that unused money stay in the RUT fund to build the cash balance. Van Ness asked if the quote includes work on the entrance where the gravel washes out, and Breazeale explained that seal coating that specific area will be pushed to a future budget. Motion by Van Ness, seconded by Hurt to approve up to \$93,000 for seal coat and overlay. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Attorney Bob Stuyvesant provided an update on the lawsuit against Adkins Carriers, LLC, noting that Adkins' attorney had prepared a mutual release for the City, County, and Adkins Carriers. The County's attorney reviewed the release and requested changes, which are currently being reviewed by Adkins' counsel. Attorney Stuyvesant received the property abstract on Friday and completed a title opinion this afternoon, which revealed four significant liens against the property, including a mortgage from 2020 and three subsequent liens from 2025 that total over \$250,000. He explained that the City cannot take title to the property with these existing liens and noted that while Adkins' and the County's attorneys have not yet seen the title opinion, he will get them sent to them tomorrow morning. Patterson asked when the trial is scheduled for. Stuyvesant replied that the trial date has passed, but the judge has a conference scheduled for some time in June. Council Member Hurt inquired about the anticipated outcome and emphasized the need for a strategic approach. Stuyvesant replied that next steps depend on his upcoming discussion with Adkins' attorney. He reiterated that the city requires the lots free and clear; otherwise, the city will have to pivot back to pursuing a \$600,000 judgment. Hurt asked about garnishments, and Attorney Stuyvesant explained that they are capped at a specific amount each year. Stuyvesant informed the

council that he would contact Adkins' attorney in the morning to discuss the matter and advised that the city may need to schedule a special council meeting.

Old Business:

None

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

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Mayor, Kody Jurgens

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Attest: Rachel Reed, City Clerk