

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

July 8, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

MILES CITY HALL

Mayor Pro-Tem Laura Horst called the regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. N. Voss, R. Wilslef, N. Corlis, and A. Petersen were present. Mayor Brandon Meyer was absent. Mayor Pro-Tem L. Horst presided.

Agenda: The agenda was approved unanimously.

GUESTS: Larry & Vicki Johnson, Officer McPherson, Sara Davenport, and Paul Maze.

CONSENT AGENDA – N. Voss made a motion to approve the consent agenda, including the minutes of the previous meeting, paid, unpaid, financial statements, water, sewer, maintenance report with the exception of the police report, it was seconded by R. Wilslef. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

GENERAL FUND		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	58.8
MASTER CARD	POSTAGE STAMPS	156
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	4476.57
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	58.8
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	255.3
AT DISPOSAL	GARBAGE/RECYCLE	4253.4
BADRIK'S SERVICE & SALES	OIL, FILTER	72.9
BANYON DATA SYSTEMS	SUPPORT/SOFTWARE	1345
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	86.88
CITY OF PRESTON	POLICE PROTECTION	2667
EASTERN IOWA PLUMBING	FINAL BILL	3.1
GERARDY OUTDOOR	AIR FILTER	38.36
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	MEMBER DUES	523
JESSE'S AUTO & MINI MART	TRUCKREPAIR,FUEL	337.43
KEENEY WELDING	MAKE GRATE	238.64
MILES TELEPHONE PHONE	INTERNET/PHONE	152.78
PRESTON TIMES	MINUTES, EXPEND	197.65
RIPEVA LLC	FIREWALL/MANAGEMENT	62.5
SCHOENTHLER, BARTELT,KAHLER	ORDINANCE REVIEW	625
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	164.32
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		15773.43
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
ECIA	KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL/DUES	826.4
GREAT RIVER THRESHERS	FIREWORKS	1000
VORTEX USA	SPLASH PAD PARTIAL EQUIP.	48877.19
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOTAL		50703.59
EMPLOYEES BENEFIT		
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	972.75
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ROAD USE		

ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	556.48
ROAD USE TAX		556.48
28E RUT FUND		
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CUSTOMER DEPOSIT		
MARCUS WINKLER	CUSTOMER DEPOSIT REFUND	200
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT	REFUND	200
DEBT SERVICE		
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	WATER TOWER PAYMENT	1431.59
KUBOTA CREDIT CORP	TRACTOR PAYMENT	1266.87
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL		2698.46
WATER FUND		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER SYSTEMS	29.4
MASTER CARD	POSTAGE STAMPS	78
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	3175.55
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	29.4
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	913.84
BANYON DATA SYSTEMS	SUPPORT/SOFTWARE	672.5
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	43.09
DANIEL ERNST	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	117.49
HAWKINS, INC	AZONE	593.93
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RES.	WATER DUES	43.92
JESSE'S AUTO & MINI MART	TRUCKREPAIR,FUEL	309.92
ORIGIN DESIGN	WATER METER/WATER MAIN	2028.75
RIPEVA LLC	FIREWALL/MANAGEMENT	31.25
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES, WET TAX	920.04
WATER FUND TOTAL		8987.08
SEWER FUND		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	29.4
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRICITY	307.77
BANYON DATA SYSTEMS	SUPPORT/SOFTWARE	672.5
DANIEL ERNST	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	117.49
JESSE'S AUTO & MINI MART	TRUCKREPAIR,FUEL	309.91
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH	DOUBLE-ZME,BACTERIAL BOOSTER	1171.51
MILES LUMBER HARDWARE	COUPLINGS, STEEL WOOL	81.4
RIPEVA LLC	FIREWALL/MANAGEMENT	31.25
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER SYSTEMS	29.4
TEST INC	SEWER SAMPLE	702
MASTER CARD	POSTAGE STAMPS	78
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	2718.08
TEST INC	BOD TSS LAGOON	495
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES, WET TAX	259.63
SEWER FUND TOTAL		7003.34
CEMETERY-MUN. ENTERPRISE		
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	1215.25

CEMETERY-MUN ENTERPRISE TOTAL		1215.25
ACCOUNT PAYABLE TOTAL		88666.86
JUNE REVENUES		
GENERAL FUND		20478.07
ROAD USE		3720.6
EMPLOYEES BENEFIT		447.59
28E RUT FUND		4853.24
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		41.17
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		1877.27
PERPETUAL CARE		600
WATER FUND		8311.58
SEWER FUND		17953.98
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT		200
CEMETERY MUN-ENTERPRISE		3300
TOTAL		61783.5

Maintenance Report – The Council reviewed the maintenance report and ordered it placed on file. Paul reported he is having difficulty establishing grass in the cemetery and suggested purchasing sod for the affected areas. The Council directed him to obtain quotes for the cost of sod, and the matter will be considered at the next council meeting.

Paul also informed the Council that Alliant Energy is scheduled to be on site on July 13 to wire Well No. 1 and install the pole for the siren.

Clerk's Report – The Clerk reported that the city has been awarded a **2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Water, Sewer, and Storm Water Grant** in the amount of **\$500,000**.

New Business

The Council discussed the future of the property located at 332 Ferry Road and whether it should be redeveloped. R. Wilslef asked whether the City would remain eligible for future grant funding if the property was not redeveloped.

The Clerk read an email from Mel Pins of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources explaining that future Brownfield Redevelopment Program funding requests would be strengthened by demonstrating successful reuse and redevelopment of the City's first Brownfield site. The email noted that the program's purpose is not only to assist with environmental regulatory costs, but also to help communities return properties to productive use.

Following discussion, the Council considered whether requiring redevelopment would better position the City for future grant opportunities or whether the property should instead be sold as-is.

N. Voss moved to proceed with a public hearing and require the property owner to redevelop 332 Ferry Road, consistent with the City's approach to 346 Ferry Road. The motion was seconded by R. Wilslef. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

N. Corlis moved to approve payment to Vortex in the amount of \$48,877.19 for the splash pad project, with A. Petersen seconding the motion. The remaining project costs will be the responsibility of the Miles Community Improvement Club. Motion carried with 4 ayes. Laura Horst abstained from voting.

R. Wilslef made a motion to purchase \$1000.00 worth of Fireworks for the Threshers Celebration, seconded by A. Petersen. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Andy Petersen made a motion to approve the building permit for 652 Lincoln St., noting that the permit met all requirements of the building code. The motion was seconded by R. Wilslef. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Motion to close the regular session was made by A. Petersen, seconded by N. Voss. Motion carried. Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Regular meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by N. Corlis to enter into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation, seconded by A. Petersen. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Motion to go back into open session was made by N. Voss, seconded by A. Petersen. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

No action taken based on closed session discussion.

Motion to adjourn was made by R. Wilslef, seconded by N. Corlis. Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Next Regular Council Meeting was announced: Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Laura Horst, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Brenda L. Tebbe, City Clerk