PROCEEDINGS OF BENNETT CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY August 3, 2026 at BENNETT AMBULANCE BUILDING

Mayor Sparks called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Council members present on roll call read by Mayor Sparks: Boedeker, Wolf, Eicher, Hulick & Schneekloth.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Consent items/agenda approved: M/S, Boedeker, Eicher. All Ayes.

Public Forum: None

Library: July check out's were 179 and 114 with the Libby app. Bingo was hosted at B52's and $200 was raised for the library, thank you B52! Sip & Paint was well attended. Director Jenel will be adding more adult classes to the calendar. Director Jenel addressed an ongoing issue with the Friends of the Library board. It is felt the funds from the community burger should be going back to the city for the library use of funds. The Friends of the Library voted they would not be giving the funds over & Director Jenel needs to ask them when she wants funds. Director Jenel has asked them and has been told no, as of her starting in October of 2025, the Friends of the Library has only given her money once and that was just for the Sip & Paint. Kyle from B52 was also present & addressed this topic. He was approached by the Friends of the Library not to write the check to the city and it should go to them so Director Jenel has immediate use of the funds. Which the city clerk commented that they would use of the funds and an amendment would be needed down the road for use of the funds. Director Jenel commented that she still does not have use of those funds, even when asking the Friends. Director Jenel mentioned the next library board meeting will be August 10th at 5:30 and invited council & Mayor to attend. It was also asked about the bylaws of the Friends, which no one has seen a copy yet. And what the intentions of the Friends of the Library is for if they are not supporting the library. Mayor Sparks comments that hopefully at the Monday meeting there can be more clarification on this.

Admin: Clerk will be on vacation August 19-29. Clerk & Superintendent will take over hanging of the flags for holidays. September council meeting will be September 8th at 6:00

Sheriff: 42 calls.

Fire: 4 calls & 3 storm watches. Ham dinner will be 9/27/26

Ambulance: 10 calls

Superintendent: Working on the lead exceedance testing. Mailings have been sent out to residents.

Park: Connect 4 game has arrived & will work with PW to get it installed.

City Business:

1. Eocene rep, Ben Schmidt & Dawn Danielson with ECIA presented the final drafts for 230 & 236 Main St. They were thanked for all their hard work so far and excited to see this all come together. Discussion on the possibility of a Memorial committee & how the city will move forward with implementing these plans. 236 Main does have asbestos, so that will have to be worked for removal.
2. M/S, Eicher, Hulick to approve street closure for B52 on August 29th for duck races. All Ayes.
3. Discussion on the old fire brush truck. A minimum bid of $5000 will be the starting point for selling this truck.
4. M/S, Eicher, Boedeker, Resolution 2026-08; FY26 Street Finance Report. All Ayes.
5. M/S, Eicher, Schneekloth, Resolution 2026-09; Disaster Mitigation Plan. All Ayes.

6. M/S, Eicher, Boedker, Resolution 2026-10; Transfer of sewer funds. All Ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm. Motion made by Eicher, seconded by Boedeker.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

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Joseph Sparks – Mayor Lisa Syring – City Clerk

CHILD SUPPORT RECOVERY UNIT		98.76
EFTPS PAYMENTS		1809.86
IPERS		1132.16
CEDAR COUNTY EMERGENCY	FY27 EMA ASSESSMENT DUES	2,255.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	FIRE STATION	258.75
HEIMAN FIRE EQUIP	YELLOW HOSES X2	253.25
ALLIANT ENERGY	AMBULANCE	133.52
CATALINA CRITTEN	MINI BEACH BALLS FOR PARADE	74.88
F & B. COMMUNICATIONS	AMBULANCE PHONE	88.05
GREG REYNOLDS	CANDY FOR PARADE	69.49
JOHNSON COUNTY AMBULANCE	TIER RUN	200
OFFICE ALLY, INC	CLAIM PROCESSING	44.95
RENEW BIO MEDICAL	DEFIB PREVENTATIVE MAINT	700
ROSS MEDICAL SUPPLY		77.73
T-MOBILE	VOICE LINE/HANDSETS	51.54
WEX BANK	AMBULANCE FUEL	362.47
DELTA DENTAL IA	LANGE DENTAL & VISION	105.28
HARRY'S FARM TIRE	TRACTOR TIRE REPAIR	80.87
MENARDS IOWA CITY	PAPER TOWELS	2.65
WENDLING QUARRIES, INC	4.45 TON	65.64
WEX BANK	CITY TRUCK	130.89
ALLIANT ENERGY	CITY SHOP	35.77
F & B. COMMUNICATIONS	CITY SHOP	12.6
VISA	CITY SHOP	17.48
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING		3,507.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	LIBRARY	95.19
F & B. COMMUNICATIONS		48.23
GREAT AMERICA	PRINTER LEASE	107.81
IPERS	WENDEL WAGE ADJUSTMENT	12.81
MENARDS IOWA CITY	PAINT SAMPLES & SUPPLIES	26.73
SWANK MOTION PICTURES	1 YR MOVIE LICENSE	137
ALLIANT ENERGY	PARK	42.02
WILLYGOAT, LLC	CAN U CONNECT 4 GAME	1,210.00
DELTA DENTAL IA	SYRING DENTAL & VISION	165.12

ALLIANT ENERGY	CITY HALL	181.27
ECIA	1ST HALF DUES FY27	138.8
F & B. COMMUNICATIONS	CITY CLERK PHONE/WEB HOSTING	51.15
JOANN SCHNEEKLOTH	7 12X12 FLAGS FOR PLANTERS	469
MENARD'S DAVENPORT	FLOWERS/PLANT FOOD/GRANT	325.91
MENARDS IOWA CITY	AIR FRESHNERS	11.98
SOLUTIONS MANAGEMENT GROUP	PRINTER LEASE/COPIES	28.88
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE	MINUTES & FINANCIALS	70.7
VISA		177.05
ALLIANT ENERGY		1065.1
F & B. COMMUNICATIONS	CITY SHOP	25.19
HARRY'S FARM TIRE	TRACTOR TIRE REPAIR	80.87
IA ASSOC OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIE	WATER MEMBER DUES	712
IOWA ONE CALL	APRIL-JUNE CALLS	9
MENARDS IOWA CITY	PAPER TOWELS	2.65
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	LEAD/COPPER/COLIFORM/ECOLI	200.5
VIKING IND PAINTING	YEARLY WTR TOWER MAINT	37,206.00
VISA	STAMPS	53.44
VISA	CITY SHOP	17.48
WEX BANK	CITY TRUCK	130.89
ALLIANT ENERGY	LIFT STATION	266.93
HARRY'S FARM TIRE	TRACTOR TIRE REPAIR	80.88
MENARDS IOWA CITY	PAPER TOWELS	2.65
VISA	STAMPS	40.67
VISA	CITY SHOP	17.48
WEX BANK	CITY TRUCK	130.89
Accounts Payable Total		54,911.36
Payroll Checks		6,285.37
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		61,196.73