

REGULAR MEETING: May 13, 2025. The regular meeting of the Oxford Junction City Council was held at the Community Center. Mayor Hartwig called roll at 7 pm. Council present was Witt, Wood, Janssen and Balichek entered at 7:04. Staff present were Hansen and Wood. Visitors were Sarah Fosbinder-MSA, Marshall Shedeck-City Attorney, Travis Hageman-Fire Chief, Kim Krutzfeld-Ambulance, Kathy Chase, Kathye Clark, Tom Zaruba, Denny Fields, Larry Ehlers, Don Chapman, Alex Wood, Josh Nicely, Sherry Benhart and Danny Steffen.

Moved by Wood seconded by Witt to approve the agenda. Roll Call Vote. Ayes-Wood, Witt, Janssen. Absent-Balichek. Motion Carried.

Moved by Witt seconded by Wood to approve the consent agenda. Roll Call Vote. Ayes-Wood, Witt, Janssen. Absent-Balichek. Motion Carried.

AFLAC	AFLAC INS	\$322.92
AgVantage FS, INC	LP	\$902.19
ALLIANT	UTILITIES	\$1,929.17
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	LIBRARY	\$814.83
ANAMOSA JOURNAL-EUREKA	PUBLISHING	\$337.16
ARTHER WOOD	LAPTOP COMPUTER	\$300.00
COLLECTION SERVICE CENTER	CHILD SUPPORT	\$82.92
DINGES FIRE COMPANY	FIRE DEPT	\$758.70
FENIX USA, LLC	MONTHLY METER FEE	\$267.50
GRUNT WORKZ WELDING & FAB	TRACTOR REPAIR	\$650.00
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	\$261.33
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	FED/FICA TAX	\$2,462.96
IPERS	IPERS	\$1,553.72
JACE NICELY	LIB-SNOW REMOVAL	\$90.00
JB HOLLAND CONSTRUCTION, INC	LAGOON LINER/SLUDGE PROJ	\$170,431.14
JJJ ENTERPRISES, INC	WATER MAIN REPAIR	\$1,838.72
JONES CO SOLID WASTE MNGMNT	LANDFILL ASSESSMENT	\$530.00
JONES COUNTY CLERK OF COURT	COURT COSTS	\$95.00
JONES COUNTY SHERIFF	GARNISHMENT	\$304.82
KLUESNER SANITATION, LLC	GARBAGE CONTRACT	\$2,668.00
KUNAU IMPLEMENT CO. INC	PARTS	\$128.53
LOST NATION TELEPHONE CO.	TELEPHONE	\$495.89
MENARDS-MARION	YARD WASTE BAGS	\$67.20
MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	ENGINEERING-LAGOON LINER	\$6,203.92
NEWTON PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY	\$22.95
OXFORD JUNCTION POST	SUBSCRIPTION	\$20.00
P & K MIDWEST INC	PARTS	\$651.30
POLK COUNTY SHERIFF	GARNISHMENT	\$37.95
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$331.00
TEST INC.	LAB TESTING	\$25.00
SCHIMBERG CO	SUPPLIES	\$73.62
STACIA HANSEN	MILEAGE	\$34.20

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INSPECTION/CONSULTATION	NUISANCE INSPECTIONS	\$360.00
TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA	WET-APRIL	\$316.83
US CELLULAR	MONTHLY CHARGE-TABLET	\$77.66
VISA	SUPPLIES	\$576.11
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROCK-WATER REPAIR	\$198.07
WYOMING AUTO PARTS & SERVICE	FIRE DEPT	\$1,031.32
Total Payroll Paid On: 4/04/25		\$4,110.94
Total Payroll Paid On: 4/15/25		\$4,174.70

***** REPORT TOTAL *****		\$205,538.27

FUND SUMMARY

GENERAL	\$12,492.17
LIBRARY	\$2,803.83
ROAD USE TAX	\$2,979.80
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$1,160.47
LAGOON LINER/SLUDGE PROJ	\$176,635.06
WATER	\$6,228.38
SEWER	\$3,238.56

TOTAL FUNDS	\$205,538.27

RECEIPTS:

General	\$34,588.93
Library	\$506.21
RUT	\$4,563.23
Employee Benefits	\$14,472.46
Lagoon Liner/Sludge Proj	\$18,340.36
LOST	\$4,404.04
Debt Service	\$8,027.26
Water	\$6,905.65
Sewer	\$8,200.70
WWTF	\$6,153.00

Total	\$106,161.84

Moved by Wood seconded by Janssen to approve Resolution 2025-7 Appointing Larry Ehlers to fill a temporary council vacancy. Roll Call Vote. Ayes-Wood, Witt, Janssen. Absent-Balichek. Motion Carried.

Ehlers was sworn in by the City Clerk and he took his seat at the council table.

Mayor Hartwig opened a public hearing for the FY25 Budget Amendment at 7:04 pm. There were no written or oral comments or objections. The mayor closed the hearing at 7:05 pm.

Moved by Janssen seconded by Wood to approve Resolution 2025-9 FY25 Budget Amendment. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Witt, Wood, Balichek, Janssen, Ehlers. Motion Carried.

Marshall Shedeck gave the council an overview on the status of our current nuisance court cases. Shedeck will be starting at a new law firm and he will mostly be doing taxes there. He is going to be available to help the new guy at Maurer Law Firm with any questions he may have about our cases.

Sarah Fosbinder with MSA gave the council a status report on the Lagoon Liner/Sludge Project. They have completely removed the sludge and the liner from cell 1 and are doing some grading work. There were some soft spots that required a little more attention resulting in a change order to fix the spots. A new drain pipe was directionally drilled from the depressed area in the cell to the outlet structure. The contractor has the new liner and is preparing to install it as soon as possible. The water infiltration from the high river has slowed progress considerably. The July 30th completion date will not be able to be met.

Moved by Wood seconded by Balichek to approve Change Order #1 for an additional \$3,735. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Witt, Wood, Balichek, Janssen, Ehlers. Motion Carried.

Moved by Balichek seconded by Janssen to approve Pay Application #1 from JB Holland for \$170,431.14. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Witt, Wood, Balichek, Janssen, Ehlers. Motion Carried.

Moved by Balichek seconded by Janssen to approve signing the pay requests from CDBG for \$57,029 and WTFAP for \$132,313.06. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Witt, Wood, Balichek, Janssen, Ehlers. Motion Carried.

Fire Chief, Travis Hageman, reported that they had 3 calls last month. The pancake breakfast went well and was a success. They currently have one truck that is out of service but they are working to get it repaired as quickly as they can.

Kim Krutzfeld reported that the ambulance had five students pass the EMT class. They are in need of radios and will be applying for a \$6000 grant from St Lukes. They will be doing additional training with the SIMS trailer here in town.

Maintenance Superintendent Art Wood stated that they have completed repairs on the tractor and on the lagoon alarm dialer. They are busy with mowing.

The mayor addressed the council asking if any of them wanted to take over the 4th of July games. The City already put down a \$2500 deposit and will need to pay an additional \$2500 if we want to continue with having the games. We would also need to purchase prizes for the games and get at least 20 volunteers. She stated with the parade being moved to 4 pm that

there would not be time to have the contests that she had originally planned, therefore it would not be possible to make the amount of money that she anticipated. She thinks it would be better to just cancel the games instead of risking losing even more money. They are still working on trying to get some of the deposits back as well. Council will think on this and do a little research and get back to her.

Angela Wood stated the landfill had poured a new cement pad. They are experiencing an influx in garbage because of the fire at the Jackson County Transfer Station.

Discussion was held regarding the nuisance lawns that the City mows. We will put out an advertisement for bids on our website and Facebook for someone to mow these.

There was a lengthy discussion on the siren being shut off. Many in town are happy that it is not sounding twice a day anymore. Some of the council still feel that it was not handled properly because they did not know about it or vote to have it stopped. The mayor stated there is no law that says it has to be a council decision. The community wants to see if it can be put on a ballot and voted on as a community. We will check with the county auditor to see if this can be put on the ballot.

Moved by Wood seconded by Janssen to adjourn at 8:39 pm.

Brandy Hartwig, Mayor

Attest: Stacia Hansen, City Clerk

These minutes are not official minutes until approved by the City Council.