

DOWS CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 7, 2025
The Dows City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on April 7, 2025 at Dows City Hall with the following present: Council Members Echelberger, Plendl, Russell, Worden, Lienemann and Mayor Klatt. Also present: Sam Solis-City Maintenance.
Motion by Russell, seconded by Echelberger to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2025 and two council meetings on March 24, 2025. Motion carried. All ayes.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Plendl to approve the payment of the following bills:
PUBLIC SAFETY
1. City of Clarion \$2,340.00 (police-code enforcement quarterly payment)
CULTURE AND RECREATION
1. Iowa Regulatory Licensing \$70.00 (pool-license renewal)
2. Woolstock Telephone \$120.00 (library-internet-two months)
3. KMDE LLC \$694.41 (community center, pool-electric expense)
4. Culligan \$80.00 (community center-supplies-two months)
5. SheRee Wharton \$210.00 (community center-cleaning)
6. Windstream \$283.42 (library, pool-phone expense-two months)
7. Chase Credit Card \$675.04 (library-books)
8. Regina Russell \$196.80 (library-gross salary)
9. Judy Kessel \$82.40 (library-gross salary)
10. Deb Olson \$1,093.75 (library-gross salary)
11. Deb Olson \$37.92 (library-DVD's)
12. Demco \$57.55 (library-supplies)
13. Times Citizens \$75.00 (library-books)
14. Dows Comm. Grocery \$46.45 (community center-supplies)
15. IRS \$250.04 (library-March Federal, FICA-Medicare tax)
16. Iowa Dept. of Revenue \$127.86 (library-1st quarter state tax withholding)
17. IPERS \$185.01 (library-March IPERS)
18. Iowa Workforce Dev. \$4.52 (library-1st quarter dues)
19. W&H Coop \$979.47 (community center-LP)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT
1. Iowa Workforce Dev. \$14.35 (city hall-1st quarter dues)
2. IPERS \$727.36 (city hall-Clerk and Council March IPERS)
3. Dept of Revenue \$475.00 (city hall-1st quarter state withholding)
4. IRS \$1,274.44 (city hall-clerk, mayor, council-March Federal FICA-Medicare tax)
5. Windstream \$170.00 (city hall-phone expense-two months)
6. Jeanette Wenzel \$2,011.97 (city hall-gross salary)
7. Column Software \$392.69 (city hall-publishing-two months)
8. Larry Klatt \$775.00 (city hall-Mayor quarterly salary)
9. Craig Russell \$300.00 (city hall-council quarterly salary)
10. Margaret Worden \$300.00 (city hall-council quarterly salary)
11. Loren Lienemann \$300.00 (city hall-council quarterly salary)
12. Nancy Plendl \$300.00 (city hall-council quarterly salary)
13. Richard Echelberger \$300.00 (city hall-council quarterly salary)
14. Jeanette Wenzel \$2,011.97 (city hall-gross salary)
15. Wellmark BCBS \$1,363.41 (city hall-health insurance)
16. Quill \$158.34 (city hall-office supplies)
17. Office of the Auditor of State \$1,200.00 (city hall-exam fee)
18. Copy Systems \$44.62 (city hall-supplies)
19. Woolstock Telephone \$100.00 (city hall-internet)
PUBLIC WORKS
1. Pro Repair and Performance \$170.00 (road use-repairs)
2. O'Reilly's \$55.61 (road use-repairs)
3. Alliant Energy \$1,757.69 (road use-shop electric expense and street lights)
4. Casey's Mastercard \$564.27 (road use-fuel)
5. Dows Comm. Grocery \$174.18 (road use-supplies)
6. W&H Coop \$1,958.67 (road use-shop LP)
BUSINESS ACTIVITIES
1. Windstream \$600.00 (water and wastewater-phone expense-two months)
2. KMDE LLC \$479.07 (water-electric-two months)
3. USA Blue Book \$124.02 (water-supplies)
4. AgSource Labs \$599.00 (wastewater-testing)
5. Carlos Balderas \$100.00 (water-deposit refund)
6. Sam Solis \$40.00 (water-cell phone expense)
7. IAMU \$721.00 (water-safety group dues)
8. Sam Solis \$1,943.93 (water-gross salary)
9. Dows Post Office \$219.00 (water-postage)
10. Wellmark BCBS \$1,413.84 (water-health insurance)
11. Alliant Energy \$795.92 (water and wastewater-electric expense)
12. IRS \$954.84 (water-March Federal, FICA-Medicare tax)
13. Dept. of Revenue \$444.00 (water-1st quarter state withholding)
14. IPERS \$611.55 (water-March IPERS)
15. Iowa Workforce Development \$11.66 (water-1st quarter dues)
16. Iowa Dept. of Revenue \$260.56 (water-March sales tax)
Motion carried. All ayes.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Echelberger to approve the Clerk's Report for February 2025. Motion carried. All ayes. Revenues for February 2025-\$30,997.40. Expenses for February 2025-\$40,509.21.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Russell to open the public hearing for the budget amendment for the fiscal year ending 2025. Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.
There being no objections heard and no written objections received, motion by Lienemann, seconded by Worden to close the public hearing for the budget amendment for the fiscal year ending 2025. Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Echelberger to adopt Resolution No. 2025-2 adopting the amendment to the fiscal year ending budget 2025. Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.
Motion by Plendl, seconded by Worden to open the public hearing for the fiscal year ending 2026. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Motion carried.
There being no objections heard and no written objections received, motion by Lienemann, seconded by Echelberger to close the public hearing for the fiscal year ending 2026. Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Motion carried.
Motion by Worden, seconded by Plendl to adopt Resolution 25-1 a resolution adopting the City of Dows Annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026. Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.
Pavement Dr. left a quote of \$400.00 a ton for patch this year. Motion by Worden, seconded by Lienemann to do one truck load of patch from Pavement Dr. for 2025. Motion carried. All ayes.
A pool shade was discussed. No one brought any prices or pictures of ideas so motion by Lienemann, seconded by Worden to table until next meeting when more information could be obtained. Motion carried. All ayes.
Mayor Klatt said he had complaints of roosters on W. Forest Ave. Council Member Echelberger said that they did not have a rooster. The only other person with chickens in that area is Bradley Barz. Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Russell to send a letter to Mr. Barz requesting that they remove the rooster from the City Limits. Motion carried. All ayes.
Motion by Echelberger, seconded by Lienemann to approve the building permit for Nathan Stuck for a fence at 504 W. Ellsworth St. Motion carried. All ayes.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Plendl to approve a building permit for Lynn Worden for an 8 ft x 16 ft shed at 508 W. Ellsworth St. Motion carried. All ayes.
Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Plendl to have second reading of Ordinance No. 217 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DOWS, IOWA, 2021, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES FOR WATER SERVICE.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.
Motion by Worden, seconded by Plendl to have the second reading of Ordinance No. 218 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DOWS, IOWA, 2021, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER DEPOSITS.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none.
There being no further business, Mayor Klatt declared the meeting adjourned.
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