

DOWS CITY COUNCIL

MAY 5, 2025

The Dows City Council met on May 5, 2025 at Dows City Hall at 6:00 p.m. in regular session with the following present: Council Members Worden, Lienemann, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell and Mayor Klatt. Also present: Sam Solis-City Maintenance.

Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Plendl to approve the minutes of the April 7 th , 2025 council meeting. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Worden, seconded by Russell to approve payment of the following bills:

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Dows Rural Fire Association \$2,850.17 (fire – 2 nd ½ dues)
2. Wright County Sheriff \$6,587.50 (police-quarterly dues)
3. Wright County Communications \$3,848.20 (police-quarterly dues)
4. Hennigar Construction \$10,400.00 (police-nuisance clean up)

CULTURE AND RECREATION

1. W&H Coop \$1,485.93 (library, community center-LP)
2. Mid America Publishing \$31.00 (pool-supplies)
3. Deb Olson \$1,350.00 (library-gross salary)
4. Judy Kessel \$103.00 (library-gross salary)
5. Regina Russell \$229.60 (library-gross salary)
6. Deb Olson \$39.92 (library-DVDs)
7. Dows Grocery \$52.54 (library-supplies)
8. Penworthy \$787.57 (library-books)
9. Alliant Energy \$380.06 (library, pool, parks-electric expense)
10. Iowa Library Assn. \$36.85 (library-training)
11. Muhlenbruch Insurance \$955.90 (library-insurance)
12. Chase Credit Card \$875.94 (library-books)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Muhlenbruch Insurance \$54,461.10 (city hall-insurance)
2. ClerkBooks \$206.49 (city hall-office supplies)
3. Wellmark BCBS \$1,363.41 (city hall-health insurance)
4. Jeanette Wenzel \$2,011.97 (city hall-gross salary)
5. KMDE LLC \$480.79 (pool, community center-electric)
6. Quill \$93.48 (city hall-supplies)
7. Jeanette Wenzel \$2,011.97 (city hall-gross salary)
8. Intuit Quickbooks \$534.46 (city hall-program support)

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Caseys \$358.55 (road use-fuel)
2. W&H Coop \$895.43 (road use-LP)
3. Alliant Energy \$1,699.04 (road use-street lights, shop electric)
4. Wright County Landfill \$3,362.50 (road use-1/4ly landfill dues)
5. Dows Community Grocery \$33.55 (road use-supplies)
6. Joe Harrah \$2,100.00 (road use-tree removal)

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Wellmark BCBS \$1,413.84 (water-health insurance)
2. AgSource Labs \$565.00 (wastewater-testing)
3. Sam Solis \$1,943.93 (water-gross salary)
4. Ia. Assn. of Municipal Utilities \$417.00 (water-dues)
5. Zoske Electric \$275.37 (wastewater-repairs)
6. KMDE LLC \$809.14 (328.35 (water-electric)
7. Sam Solis \$1,943.93 (water-gross salary)
8. Sam Solis \$40.00 (water-phone)
9. Quill \$264.27 (water-supplies)
10. Intuit Quickbooks \$534.47 (water-program support)
11. Alliant Energy \$1,244.30 (water, wastewater-electric expense)
12. Electric Pump \$1,089.03 (wastewater-repairs)
13. Tayler Moestchen \$100.00 (water-deposit refund)
14. W&H Coop \$896.64 (water-LP)
15. Dows Post Office \$219.00 (water-postage)

Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Worden, seconded by Plendl to approve the Clerk's Report for March 2025. Motion carried. All ayes. Revenues for March 2025-\$39,325.03. Expenses for March 2025-\$29,315.83.

Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Russell to approve Sonia Vinsand as pool manager and Kehra Vinsand, Kali Wharton, Crew Garza and Belle Wharton as summer pool help. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Echelberger, seconded by Worden to approve the hiring of Mosquito Control of Iowa for the 2025 summer at a price of \$3,875.00. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Worden, seconded by Plendl to approve a cigarette permit renewal for Dows Community Grocery from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Russell, seconded by Plendl to approve a building permit for Matthew Echelberger at 102 W. Northrup St. including an 18' x 24' addition to the garage and an 8'x14' addition on the west side of house and a 6'x12' room on the north side of house. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Echelberger to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 217

AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES FOR WATER SERVICE.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lienemann, seconded by Plendl to adopt Ordinance No. 217

AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES FOR WATER SERVICE.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Plendl, seconded by Worden to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 218

AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER DEPOSITS.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Russell, seconded by Worden to adopt Ordinance No. 218

AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER DEPOSITS.

Roll Call vote: Ayes-Lienemann, Worden, Plendl, Echelberger, Russell. Nays-none. Motion carried.

The Council looked at a picture of a three-corner shade that could be put up at the pool in the corners of the pool. Motion by Echelberger, seconded by Plendl to purchase 3 of the corner shades for a total of \$62.94. Motion carried. All ayes.

There being no further business, Mayor Klatt declared the meeting adjourned.

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