

MINUTES- Regular Meeting of the Collins City Council

1. **CALL TO ORDER-** Collins City Council met on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 7pm at the Collins Area Community Center, 219 Main St.

2. **ROLL CALL-** Mayor Alex Rainey asked for Roll Call. Council Members present: Dawnell Kennedy, Jerry Courter, Stephanie Coughenour via Microsoft Teams, Stephanie Smith, Stacy Howell. Absent- City Clerk Katie Baldwin, Library Director Sara Coree, and Deputy Jackson Thompson. Guests- Mark Atwood, Willie Beeler, John & Michelle Fricke, Karin Sevde, Shannon Thiele, Dan Sinclair, Ross Eveland, Matt Cleverley. City personnel present: Public Works Director Darren Kennedy, CWC Director Jean Bienfang.

3. **APPROVAL OF POSTED AGENDA-** Motion by Kennedy to approve, 2nd by Courter, All Ayes, M/C

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Minutes- April 9 Special, April 9 Regular, April 22 Special, April Cash Report, April Revenue Report, April Expense Report, April Treasurer's Report, April Accounts Receivable Audit Report, May Bills- Motion by Kennedy to approve, 2nd by Courter, All Ayes, M/C

5. **APRIL SHERIFF'S REPORT- No deputy was present.**

6. **PUBLIC FORUM: None**

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CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ALLIANT ENERGY/IPL	GAS/ELECTRIC	6,732.81
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	DUMPTRUCK PARTS	348.55
BADGER METER, INC.	METER FEES	49.09
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	CH. CWC, LIB, PWD PURCHASES	2,626.29
CENTRAL IOWA TELEVISIONING	FY26 ANNUAL SEWER MAINTENANCE	4,278.87
CENTRAL IOWA BROADBAND	CH PHONE/INTERNET	89.36
CENTRAL IOWA BROADBAND	CACC INTERNET	70.95
CENTRAL IOWA BROADBAND	LIBRARY PHONE/INTERNET	112.39
CENTRAL IOWA BROADBAND	FIRE STATION PHONE/INTERNET	70.95
CENTRAL IOWA BROADBAND	CWC PHONE/INTERNET	115.06
CHEMSEARCH	SHOP AEROSOL	220.35
CITY-CWC WATER	APRIL UTILITY BILL	79.46
COLLINS FIRE & RESCUE	REIMBURSE-SOUTHERN STATES FIRE	373.28
DISC GOLF ASSOCIATION INC	DISC GOLF-STORY CO TIF GRANT	3,555.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	2,958.34
GARBAGE GUYS	GARBAGE SERVICES	7,517.00
GANNETT IOWA LOCALIQ	PUBLISHING	308.48
GRONEWOLD, BELL, KYHNN & CO PC	FY25 ANNUAL EXAM	3,250.00
HOKEL MACHINE SUPPLY	PWD SHOP SUPPLIES	154.53
IAMU	WATER MEMBER DUES 2026-2027	740.00
CASHIERS OFFICE	BUSINESS SIGNS-ST.CO.COM.GRANT	937.24
IPERS	IPERS	2,010.54
IPI - IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	BUSINESS SIGNS-ST.CO.COM.GRANT	3,546.34
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSN	MARCH 2ND & APRIL 2ND METER READS	6,592.67
JEAN BIENFANG	REIMBURSE- CWC EXPENSES	181.71
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	LAWN MOWER PAYMENT	558.67
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	TRACTOR LEASE PAYMENT	589.24
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	SKID LOADER LEASE	1,151.45
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC.	WATER TESTING	39.00
LAWSON PRODUCTS	PWD SHOP SUPPLIES	141.36
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	LAGOONS- VEGAKILL PLUS	573.18
MARSHALL COUNTY LANDFILL	FEB/MARCH LANDFILL FEES & PER CAPITA	3,611.36

MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	FOOD TRUCK PADS-ST.CO.TIFGRANT	3,771.02
MENARDS - ALTOONA	PWD SHOP & CACC SUPPLIES	255.45
MENARDS-AMES	PWD SHOP SUPPLIES	805.78
MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC	WATERMAIN BIDDING-ARPA GRANT	3,241.50
POSTMASTER	APRIL UB POSTAGE	62.00
POSTMASTER	CERTIFIED MAIL	10.48
POSTMASTER	MAY UB POSTAGE	60.76
ROTO-ROOTER	CITY HALL/LIBRARY RESTROOM	389.3
STORY COUNTY TREASURER	FY26 QURT 4 SHERIFF FEES	8,684.77
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	APRIL WET TAX	749.93
U.S.CELLULAR	PWD LAPTOP	64.79
PAYROLL	APRIL	9,948.89
REPORT TOTAL		81,628.19

FUND	REVENUES	EXPENSES
GENERAL	62,832.27	19,629.06
LIBRARY	941.69	2,674.62
WELLNESS CENTER	3,181.35	3,051.73
ROAD USE TAX	5,338.20	5,404.61
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	0.00	0.00
EMERGENCY LEVY	0.00	0.00
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	7,754.16	0.00
DEBT SERVICE	20,767.40	0.00
TIF	73,442.81	0.00
2019/20STREETIMPR.	0.00	0.00
CACC & PARKS CAP. PROJECTS	7,692.31	11,748.98
SCHTF-OOR GRANTS	12490.00	0.00
FEMA/STATE DERECHO	0.00	0.00
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT	0.00	3,241.50
DETENTION POND	0.00	0.00
214 MAIN STREET PROJECT	0.00	0.00
WATER	14,678.61	11,611.53
WATER SINKING	0.00	0.00
SEWER	17,425.04	13,095.04
SEWER SINKING	0.00	0.00
LANDFILL/GARBAGE	5,687.99	11,171.12
TOTAL FUNDS	232,231.83	81,628.19

TRANSFERS

SEWER TO SEWER SINKING- 5,955.00
WATER TO WATER SINKING- 2,890.00

7. Shannon Thiele, VP of Affiliate Programming at Ames Regional Economic Alliance, gave a presentation on their Retraining Program

8. Karin Sevde, Executive Director at Story County Community Foundation, gave a presentation on their Grant Program

9. Dan Sinclair, with Metering Technologies, gave a presentation on water meters

10. Motion by Courter to approve removal of pieces of old sidewalk- 211 4th Street, 2nd by Coughenour, All Ayes, M/C

11. Motion by Courter to approve liquor license renewal- Lucky's Pub, 2nd by Coughenour, All Ayes, M/C

12. Motion by Kennedy to give permission to Lucky's Pub to enclose the area between their permanent fence and the alley with a snow fence during Collins Days, they will have cornhole games and chairs in this temporary closed in area, 2nd by Courter, All Ayes, M/C

13. Motion by Kennedy to approve variance to City Code 165.40.1 to allow up to 10 RV's to utilize Matt Cleverley's properties, 2nd by Howell, All Ayes, M/C
14. Motion by Kennedy to approve CWC purchase of new leg press, 2nd by Howell, All Ayes, M/C
15. Motion by Howell to table approving the CWC quote for roof repair, 2nd by Kennedy, All Ayes, M/C
16. Motion by Kennedy to open the public hearing on amendment #1 for the 2025-2026 Budget at 8:02pm, 2nd by Howell, All Ayes, M/C. Comments from Willie Beeler (see below) and discussion by council. Motion by Courter to close the public hearing at 8:08pm, 2nd by Kennedy, All Ayes, M/C. During the public hearing, there was a Motion by Kennedy to allocate \$200 from the LOST Main Street Flowers budget to pay Zeva and Sam Hyde to water the flowers all summer, 2nd by Courter, All Ayes, M/C. Willie Beeler will also pay them \$200. During the public hearing, Willie Beeler offered his free labor to landscape in front of city building. This will be added to the June agenda.
17. Motion by Kennedy to approve Resolution 2026-15. "A Resolution amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 2026", 2nd by Courter, Roll Call- All Ayes, M/C
18. Motion by Smith to approve Resolution 2026-16. "Resolution authorizing the transfer of cash between funds for FYE 2026", 2nd by Kennedy, Roll Call- All Ayes, M/C
19. Motion by Howell to table the purchase of security cameras for west park, 2nd by Kennedy, All Ayes, M/C
20. **REPORTS-** Mayor- None. Kennedy- None. Courter- None. Howell- Spoke about the Memorial Day service at the cemetery at 10:30am on Memorial Day, with luncheon to follow at the United Methodist Church. Updated on the cement slab poured at the American Legion building. Coughenour- None. Smith- None. Library- Written. CWC- Written. City Clerk- None. PWD- Written and verbal.
21. **ADJOURNMENT-** 8:22pm Motion by Kennedy, 2nd by Howell, All Ayes, M/C