SECOND REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, June 17, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The second regular council meeting of the City of Denison, Iowa, was held pursuant to law on the above date and hour. Mayor Soseman called the meeting to order with the following members present: Granzen, Logan, Zupp-Smith and Miller by phone. Absent: Curnyn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mayor Soseman led the pledge of allegiance.
AGENDA APPROVED	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda with the exception of item i) Outdoor Worship Service-approve without the use of water slides due to the water restriction: a) approve and waive the reading of the minutes for June 3, 2025 regular meeting and June 9, 2025 special meeting; b) approve the bills as presented; c) approve cash & activity report-05/2025; d) approve budget report-05/2025; e) approve bank reconciliation-05/2025; f) approve liquor licenses for: Just One More, Tri-City BBQ, The Old Fashioned, Tienda El Mexicano; g) approve tobacco permits for: Hy-Vee Food Store, Tienda El Mexicano, One Stop Shop #4, Beer Thirty Denison, D.H. Pub LTD, S & S Convenience Store, LLC; h) approve tax abatement for: 802 Wild Rose Lane; i) approve the Special Event Permits and waive the application fees: Outdoor Worship Service; j) approve the Special Event Permit, waive the application fees, and be a City Sponsored Event for: Tri City BBQ Fest; k) approve the Solid Waste Hauler license: R & S Waste Disposal, Carroll Refuse Service/SGS LLC, Absolute Investment Group, LLC/AIG Roll Offs, Denison Disposal Services; l) approve the promotion of Carter Huisinga as Maintenance Worker II, effective 06/04/2025; m) approve the promotion of Jesse Huisinga as Maintenance Worker II, effective 06/04/2025; n) approve the hire and hourly wage of $32.21 for Christopher Jochims as a Part-Time Police Officer, effective 06/17/2025; and Resolution #2025-29 Approving the Transfer of Funds – Various. Motion carried unanimously.
CITIZEN INPUT	Jennifer Kinsey asked for an update on the ash trees in the right of way. She currently has two ash trees that need to be taken down and would like the City to look at the trees at her sons house. Council indicated the City is taking down the worst trees first. Garcia stated the City will try to look at new ways to address the ash trees.
APPROVED QUOTE FROM STREET SMARTS VR	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve the quote from Street Smarts VR for Single-User Integrated CR Training Solution, in the amount of $45,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

AT&T AGREEMENT DISCUSSION	Discussion was held on the AT & T Agreement. Garcia stated AT & T is looking for a 50 x 50 space around the current area. Council is interested in pursuing an agreement, not opposed to a permanent structure, and would like Garcia to see what other communities are receiving and what DMU was receiving in rent.
TABLED MOTION TO INCREASE THE PROPERTY AND LIABILITY CYBER LIABILITY LIMIT	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to table the motion to Increase the Property and Liability Cyber Liability Limit. Motion carried unanimously. Council would like Flaherty to bring back more information regarding the policy coverage and additional limits.
UPDATE ON THE 2ND AVENUE SOUTH PROJECT	Jason Eygabroad, Beck Engineering, gave an update on the 2nd Avenue South project. He stated the bid letting will be scheduled for July 11, 2025 and the public hearing for July 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
RESOLUTION #2025-30 INTRODUCED SETTING PUBLIC HEARING	Resolution #2025-30 was introduced Setting Date of Public Hearing on Proposed Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, Estimates of Costs, and Taking of Bids for the Construction of the 2025 City of Denison 2nd Avenue South Improvement Project. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to set the public hearing for July 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. and approve Resolution #2025-30. Motion carried unanimously.
ENGINEER UPDATE	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the proposal from Beck Engineering, Inc for the 2025 City of Denison 2nd Avenue South Improvement Project. Motion carried unanimously.
MOTION TO APPRROVE PAY APPLICATION #1	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve Pay Application #1 to On Track Construction, LLC for the 20th Street Storm Sewer Improvements, in the amount of $115,670.10. Motion carried unanimously. Eygabroad stated everything is done but the equipment needs to be picked up and seeding needs to be finished.
ENGIEER UPDATE CONTINUED	Eygabroad stated that On Track Construction has not started on the 24th Street storm sewer repairs or the 1st Ave S storm sewer repairs.
NON-APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to not approve the Engagement Letter with Steadfast City Economic & Community Partners. Motion carried unanimously.
CITY CLERK ALLOWED TO PAY BILLS	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Logan, to allow the City Clerk to pay bills through June 30, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.
RESOLUTION #2025-31 INTRODUCED SETTING WAGES	Resolution #2025-31 was introduced Setting Wages for Appointed Officers and Employees for the City of Denison, Iowa for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve Resolution #2025-31. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #2025-32 INTRODUCED SETTING TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING	Resolution #2025-32 was introduced Setting the Notice of Time and Place of Public Hearing on Proposed Zoning Changes to Parcels of Land Owned by Daniel and Patricia Ahart in the City of Denison, Iowa. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to set the public hearing for July 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. and approve Resolution #2025-32. Motion carried unanimously.
ORDIRANCE #1576 INTRODUCED TO AMEND CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES	Ordinance #1576 was introduced Amending Chapter 40 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denison, Iowa, by Amending Provision Pertaining to Public Offenses. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to waive the 2nd and 3rd readings. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to adopt Ordinance #1576. Motion carried unanimously.
	Granzen left at 5:48 p.m. and arrived at 5:49 p.m.
MAYOR'S REPORT	Soseman reminded Council and staff of Monica Walley's, Library Director, retirement party. She stated she has attended the Immigrant Heritage Festival meetings, coffee with the Seniors, and is still working on the Leading Edge program. The Uptown Improvement Committee is finalizing the wayfinding signs. She stated 96 handprints will need to be replaced and she is working on ideas for replacements. She met Marybeth Hersey with the Donna Reed Foundation (DRF) and members of BMIM. The firm recommended two local board members on the DRF. DRF is concerned with the handprints being removed and they are applying for grant funds.
ENGINEER UPDATE CONTINUED	Eygabroad stated Senate File 574 was passed and any project being bid after July 1, 2025, must have retainage of three percent withheld instead of five percent.
CITY MANAGER REPORT	Garcia reported that City Hall will be closed on Thursday for Juneteenth and has been working on department policies. She attended a codification meeting and will be updating ordinances. She stated the City received final settlement agreement on municipal infraction and another property will be served. Garcia reported that she and Jenn presented to Eventide on the Wellness Center and the City received the final closeout from the DOT on two projects. She also stated that the City received approval for the 1st drawdown for the Destination Iowa agreement and sent the amendment for CAT agreement.
DISCUSSION HELD ON RED WHITE AND BOOM	Discussion was held on Red White and Boom event. The City has paid for the fireworks but the event will not be held this year. Soseman stated there will be food trucks only.
	Miller left at 5:59 p.m.

COUNCIL CONCERN	Council is concerned that there will not be volunteers or staff to help with the event.
CITY MANAGER REPORT CONTINUED	Garcia reported that an offer has been made for the Library Director position.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

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Pamela Soseman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk