REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, July 1, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The 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: Curnyn, Granzen, Logan, Zupp-Smith and Miller by phone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mayor Soseman led the pledge of allegiance.
AGENDA APPROVED	Motion by Logan, seconded by Zupp-Smith, 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: a) approve and waive the reading of the minutes for June 17, 2025 second regular meeting; b) approve the bills as presented; and c) approve liquor licenses for: Crawford County Fair Association and Lucky Wife Wine Slushies T9. Motion carried unanimously.
CITIZEN CONCERN	Dave Peterson stated he had concerns regarding the Wellness Center financing. He believes the City has other places they should spend money and housing is an issue. He does not want the City to be responsible for the unpaid donations. Garcia stated the resolution is for a moral obligation and the fundraising has been completed. The reason behind the Friends of the Wellness Center bridge loan is because the pledges have been spread out over multiple years and the bills need paid now. Garcia reported that there are no concerns regarding donors paying pledges and the pledges will make any payments towards loans.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS	Trejo, Police Chief, reported that the department attended the LULAC festival and parade. Soseman thanked Officer Stephenson for volunteering. Ellis, Parks & Rec Director, stated the lockers have been delivered and will be installed during July. He provided an update on the Washington Park bathrooms and stated the epoxy needs to be placed and then the partitions will be installed. Olson, Public Works Director, stated the department is working on flags, banners, mulching, spaying weeds, and mowing. He reported that IPI will be in town and will work on pulling weeds in nodes and medians.
HIRE OF NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Curnyn, to hire Kari Meyer as Library Director at a biweekly salary of $2,526.93, with 15 days' vacation, and 5 days of sick leave, effective July 7, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

INCREASE OF THE PROPERTY AND LIABILITY CYBER LIABILITY LIMIT	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to increase the Property and Liability Cyber Liability Limit on the condition the umbrella does not provide coverage. Motion carried unanimously.
APPROVAL OF THE ESTIMATE FROM MACQUEEN FOR MOBILE DATA TERMINALS	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Logan, to approve the estimate from MacQueen for Mobile Data Terminals, in the amount of $13,166.58 and to be paid out of capital improvements. Motion carried unanimously.
MACQUEEN ESTIMATE FOR SCBA CYLINERS	Motion by Miller, seconded by Granzen, to approve the estimate from MacQueen for SCBA Cylinders, in the amount of $11,483.76 and to be paid out of capital improvements. Motion carried unanimously.
QUOTE FROM DEEP TREKKER FOR SONAR INTEGRATION	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the quote from Deep Trekker for Sonar Integration, in the amount of $11,037.93 and to be paid out of capital improvements. Motion carried unanimously.
APPROVAL OF BOBCAT QUOTE FOR A T66 T4 BOBCAT COMPACT TRACK LOADER	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve the quote from Bobcat for a T66 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader, in the amount of $71,033.22. Motion carried unanimously.
AMENDMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY ATTRACTION AND TOURISM	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the Amendment between the Iowa Economic Development Authority and the City of Denison for the Community Attraction & Tourism. Motion carried unanimously.
QUOTE FROM GWORKS FOR DATA PULLS	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the quote from gWorks for Data Pulls, not to exceed $36,000.00. and to be paid out of capital improvements. Motion carried unanimously.
JF GENERAL CONSTRUCTION INVOICE FOR AQUATIC CENTER DRAIN REPAIRS	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Logan, to approve the invoice from JF General Construction for Aquatic Center drain repairs, in the amount of $4,374.86. Motion carried unanimously.
DISCUSSION ON THE PUCHASE OF THE COMMERCIAL MOWER	Discussion was held on the purchase of the commercial mower. Council would like additional quotes. Motion by Logan, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to table the approval of the Purchase Order from Vetter Equipment for 2025 Cub Cadet PROZ Commercial Mower, in the amount of $15,911.84. Roll Call: Ayes: Logan, Zupp-Smith, Granzen, Miller; Nays: Curnyn. Motion carried on a 4-1 vote.
PAY APPLICATION 8	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve Pay Application 8 from Jensen Builders for the Crawford County Wellness Center project, in the amount of $1,075,241.20. Motion carried unanimously.

PAY APPLICATION 4	Motion by Miller, seconded by Granzen, to approve Pay Application 4 from Ten Point Construction for the HMA Improvement Project, in the amount of $5,958.75. Motion carried unanimously.
CHANGE ORDER #2	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Logan, to approve Change Order #2 from OnTrack Construction, LLC for the 20th Street Storm Sewer Improvements, in the amount of $7,793.15. Motion carried unanimously.
PAY APPLICATION #2	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Miller, to approve Pay Application #2 to On Track Construction, LLC for the 20th Street Storm Sewer Improvements, in the amount of $209,291.05. Motion carried unanimously.
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICES INC FOR 2ND AVE S ST	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the agreement with Certified Testing Services for 2nd Avenue South Street Improvement Project, not to exceed $4,900.00. Motion carried unanimously.
RESOLUTION #2025-33 SETTING WAGE FOR LIBRARY DIRECTOR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026	Resolution #2025-33 was introduced Setting Wage for Library Director for the City of Denison, Iowa for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve Resolution #2025-33. Motion carried unanimously.
RESOLUTION #2025-34 DECLARE MORAL OBLIGATION TO SUPPORT PAYMENTS OF DEBT SERVICE UNDER A CERTAIN LOAN AGREEMENT	Resolution #2025-34 was introduced Declaring Moral Obligation to Support Payments of Debt Service under a Certain Loan Agreement. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve Resolution #2025-34. Roll Call: Ayes: Zupp-Smith, Logan, Miller; Nays: Curnyn, Granzen. Motion carried on a 3-2 vote.
DISCUSSION ON THE PROPOSED BACKYARD POULTRY ORDINANCE	Discussion was held on the proposed backyard poultry ordinance. Council stated that majority of the citizens are against the ordinance. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to remove the Ordinance Amending Chapter 55 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denison, Iowa, to Allow for the Limited Keeping of Backyard Poultry for Personal Use, from the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
MAYOR'S REPORT	Soseman stated she is working on wayfinding signs and is waiting for mockups. She is working on handprint research and looking at pricing for the granite. She stated Job Corps will have an informational meeting next week and she attended the exit interview with auditor and an MSA meeting.

CITY MANAGER REPORT	Garcia reminded Council that City Hall will be closed on 4th of July. She stated the office is working on fiscal year end and staff had a great meeting with LHDC. Garcia reported that Hometown Tours is working on scheduling a meeting and she attended a meeting with DOT regarding HWY 59 bridge replacement. The DOT will present at a Council meeting in August. She attended training for Tyler Technologies. Miller left at 6:05 p.m.
CITY MANAGER REPORT CONTINUED	Garcia had a Brownfields meeting regarding a reuse plan. She stated staff met with the DNR for a flood insurance meeting and Parks & Rec is hosting Red White and Boom. She will attend a TAC meeting in Carroll and submitted drawdowns for Destination Iowa and CAT. Garcia reported that the YMCA announced that the Director declined the offer and they will be advertising locally for the position. She stated the Fire Department and Sheriff's Department performed controlled buys at all the local fireworks stands.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Pamela Soseman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk