REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, November 04, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The regular called 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.

Mayor Soseman led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA	Motion by Granzen, seconded by Curnyn, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
CONSENT AGENDA	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 October 21, 2025 second regular meeting; and b) approve the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
CITIZEN INPUT	Kathy Robertson stated concerns with the Senior Center Board. Council stated that board is private and the City has no control over the board.
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR REPORTS	Meyer, Library Director, reported the roof has been completed and the fence is up. She reported on current programs and staff development. She thanked the Police and Fire Departments for presenting during staff training. Olson, Public Works Director, stated the department is working on concrete projects including, Wheels to Heels trail, sidewalk at the Fire Department, and created a base for parking at the Police Department. Leed, Airport Manager, reported on the progress on the above ground fuel tank project. Trejo, Police Chief, stated the department participated in the Halloween festivities. He stated he has been working on department policies and would like to hire an employee to help complete the project.

	Ellis, Parks and Rec Director, reported that he participated in tree planting for various parks and the department is working on winterizing.
DESIGNATED NEWSPAPER	Lorena Lopez and Gordon Wolf, Denison Free Press, stated the newspaper is eligible to publish city publications. She reported that the state law changed and now allows papers to print City publications after a paper has been established for one year. Lopez reported they have 609 subscribers in the county and 45 subscribers outside the county. The Free Press would like to become the City's designated newspaper. Council would like the City Manager and City Clerk to see what is most cost efficient for the City.
TOURISM AND CONVENTION BUSINESS SERVICES AGREEMENT	Discussion was held on the Tourism and Convention Business Services Agreement. Members of the Chamber and board spoke in favor of the position and commented on the work the position does for the City. Council inquired about the presented financials. Motion by Logan, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to approve the Tourism and Convention Business Services Agreement for a one-year term in the amount of $42,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.
HIRING OF CHRISTOPHER JOCHIMS	Motion by Logan, seconded by Granzen, to approve the hiring of Christopher Jochims as a Certified Police Officer-Step 6, at an hourly wage of 35.54, effective 11/07/2025. Motion carried unanimously.
DONNA REED BRIDGE SUPPLMENTAL AGREEMENT 1	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the Supplemental Agreement No 1 for final design and bid phase services from Calhoun Burns for the Donna Reed Bridge Replacement project. Motion carried unanimously.
IDOT AGREEMENT FOR SURFACE TRANSPORATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM	Motion by Miller, seconded by Logan, to allow the City Manager to sign the IDOT Agreement for a Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Federal-Aid Swap Project. Motion carried unanimously.

IDOT LETTER OF SUPPORT – HWY 59/ARROWHEAD RD	Discussion was held on a letter of support for the IDOT roundabout proposal at the Highway 59 and Arrowhead Road intersection. Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to allow the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the IDOT roundabout proposal at the Highway 59 and Arrowhead Road intersection. Roll call: Ayes: Miller, Zupp-Smith, Curnyn, Granzen. Discussion continued. Garcia stated this is different project than what was previously proposed. The IDOT is in the beginning discussions of project and they are asking for a letter of support, with no City participation. Nays: Logan. Motion carried on a 4-1 vote. Discussion continued. Council would like the DOT to consider a stop light compared to a roundabout. Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to allow the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the IDOT roundabout proposal at the Highway 59 and Arrowhead Road intersection with the preference of a stoplight. Motion carried unanimously.
QTPOD SERVICE AGREEMENT	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to approve the Subscription Service Agreement with QTpod for the Self Service Terminal at the Denison Municipal Airport. Motion carried unanimously.
ESTIMATE FOR 2023 FORD F-150 POLICE RESPONDER	Discussion was held on the estimate for the repairs to the 2023 Ford F-150 Police Responder. Council would like Trejo to obtain additional quotes. Motion carried Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to table the motion to approve the estimate for repairs to the 2023 Ford F-150 Police Responder. Motion carried unanimously.
PAY APPLICATION #12, JENSEN BUILDERS, WELLNESS CENTER	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Logan, to approve Pay Application 12 from Jensen Builders for the Crawford County Wellness Center project, in the amount of $1,298,971.73. Roll Call: Ayes: Zupp-Smith, Logan, Miller, Granzen, Curnyn to abstain for payments to Midwest Field Turf. Motion carried unanimously.

CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICE AFF PFAS LITIGATION	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Granzen, to allow the City Manager to sign the Contract for Legal Services for AFF PFAS Litigation. Motion carried unanimously.
PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR CITY PROPERTY	Motion by Logan, seconded by Granzen, to accept the proposed purchase agreement for City property, in the amount of $10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously. Garcia stated the public hearing will be set at the November 18th Council meeting.
RESOLUTION #2025-55 APPROVING FY 24/25 AFR	Resolution #2025-55 was introduced Approving FY 24/25 Annual Financial Report. Motion by Granzen, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to adopt Resolution #2025-55. Motion carried unanimously.
MAYOR'S REPORT	Soseman reported that she assisted with tree planting and will be stepping down from the Arbor Committee. She met with Garcia regarding an emergency plan for Denison, and reported that Crawford County Hunger Fighters, TAP, and food pantry at United Methodist Church offer food services within Denison.
MILLER LEFT	Miller left at 5:49 p.m.
CITY MANAGER REPORT	Garcia stated Chief Snowgren set open burning and Olson has been communicating with Kolbeck regarding grinding the compost site. She reported that the City received a favorable judgement on a municipal infraction filing and she participated in the tree planting. Garcia stated the DNR funding reopened for tree grants in Fall of 2026. She will be attending a City Managers' meeting on Thursday and stated City Hall will be closed Tuesday for Veterans Day.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

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Pamela Soseman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk