

Cedar county claims

4/10/2025
General Basic Fund
73.00-Avantis Construction-snow/salt
761.19-Access Systems Leasing-contract
18613.70-Advanced Correctional-medical
2300.00-Ahlers-Cooney-Dorweiler-labor relations
154.81-Alliant Energy-elec
206.44-Amazon Capital Services-Stream light
60.00-Barry Anderson-mtg
1205.00-AT&T Mobility-phone
2196.62-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-phone
184.79-Caitlin Boyle-mil
1144.25-Calhoun-Burns & Assoc.-Hoover Bridge
403.83-Capital One-supplies
330.31-Cedar county COOP-fuel
21500.00-Cedar County Fair Assoc-FY24/25
208.73-Cedar County Repair-chains
10764.96-City of Tipton-util
298.65-Bobbie Conrad-Marion-mil
915.27-Conservative Publishing-legal
10767.90-Consolidated Management Co-meals
80.00-Dennis Coppess-mtgs
5080.31-Copy Systems-Copier
1622.87-Crist Electrical Serv-light
75.00-D&R Pest Control-spray
350.00-Mike Dauber-ME
827.84-Diamond Drugs, Inc-meds
284.35-Deana Drumbarger-mil
365.87-Eastern IA Light&Power-elec
65.88-Flagpoles, Etc-snaps
16.46-Galls Inc-pants
350.00-Tom Garlock-well plug
341.98-GlaxoSmithKline-medication
64.45-H & H Auto-oil chg
118.80-Patricia Hamann-mil
58.80-Carrie Harper-mil
175.00-Heartland Shredding Inc-shredding
88.49-Hermens Automotive LLC-oil chg
65.00-IA Env Health Assoc % Adam-training
556.00-Iowa County Attorneys Assoc.-Dues
150.00-Iowa Dept of Natural Resources-permits
331.67-Thiesen's-Hardware
935.00-Klay Johnson-removal
100.00-Douglas Klein-mtgs
1544.09-KMDE, LLC-solar
180.76-Phil La Rue-mil
7295.47-Mail Services, LLC-Postage
326.76-Martin Bros Dist Co Inc-cleaner
346.81-Martin's Flag Co-flags
60.00-Dick Maske-mtgs
170.80-Menards-Maint.
2498.65-O'Rourke Motors Inc-brakes
107.87-ODP Business Solutions, LLC-paper
39.95-Office Express-paper
350.00-Oveson Refuse & Recycling LLC-dumpster
1526.49-Reserve Account-auditor
1842.90-Progressive Rehabilitation-PT
9.57-Whitney Randolph-mil
3373.00-RJ Thomas Mfg Co Inc Pilot-picnic table legs
80.17-Ron Alpen Ford, Inc-oil chg
1286.23-Secondary Road Fund-Parking
60.00-Dale Slach-mtgs
168.00-Solutions, Inc Harris Local-Duo
96.29-Austin Sorgenfrey-Clothing
25.00-Spengler Auto Repair Inc-tire rp
684.00-State Hygienic Laboratory-sampling
886.02-Sun News-legal
280.00-Tipton Lions Club-Flags
628.32-US Cellular-phone
82.33-Vestis-mats/mops
2575.50-VISA/Bankers-maint
13500.00-Volunteer Services Cedar Co-Half FY24/25
80.00-Rodney VonMuenster-mtgs
330.00-Elizabeth Voss-mil
97.35-Stefanie Wagaman-mil
80.00-Matthew Wagner-mtg
161.15-Nicki Welch-mil
967.27-West Branch Times-legal
49.01-Wex Bank-fuel
American Rescue Plan Act Fund
12737.76-Crist Electrical Serv-new lights
7368.13-MCM Consulting Group, Inc.-EMS Phase II
55728.00-Ron Alpen Ford, Inc-vehicle
1000.00-TNT Tuckpointing & Building-sign
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1510.00-TNT Tuckpointing & Building-sign
General Supplemental Fund
48.38-Reserve Account-election
80.00-SEAT Treasurer-SEAT
7395.00-S.I.A.D.S.A. Lee/Lucas-Other
369.00-St Lukes Hospital-Inpatient Pioneer Cemetery
390.00-Eric Storjohann-Cemetery Rural Services Basic Fund
208.48-Amazon Capital Services-chair
28.35-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-phone
267.60-Axon Enterprise Inc-Cartridge
7191.19-City of Bennett-library
9133.26-City of Clarence-library
9916.91-City of Durant-library
7564.09-City of Lowden-library
9021.58-City of Mechanicsville-library
5224.52-City of Stanwood -library
10331.44-City of Tipton-lib
14367.01-City of West Branch-library
24.62-Conservative Publishing-legal
35.95-Copy Systems-copies
10.00-Iowa Law Enforcement Academy-training
56.59-Karl Chevrolet-wire cvr
805.22-Parkside Service-fuel pump
14.08-Reserve Account-EZ
4119.43-Secondary Road Fund-fuel
602.00-Spengler Auto Repair Inc-plugs
24.62-Sun News-legal
57.00-Town & Country Tires, Inc-oil chg
29.21-US Cellular-phone
2841.80-Waste Management of Iowa-20 Yrd
EMS-Essential Srv(Ambulance)
285.00-Iowa Emergency Medical Service-Conference
0.69-Reserve Account-EMS
Secondary Road Fund
23732.43-Advantage FS, Inc.-Gasoline
7700.00-Allender Butzke Engineers, Inc-Soil Invest
352.21-Alliant Energy-Util
1186.69-Altfor Inc-Parts
25.56-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-Phone
565.18-Baum Hydraulics Company-Parts
1646.00-Calhoun-Burns & Assoc.-Consultants fee
2830.00-Cedar County COOP-Diesel
598.96-Cedar County Health Fund-Insurance
85.08-City of Bennett-TJOJ
73.95-City of Mechanicsville-Util
4550.47-City of Tipton-Util
117.88-Clarence Telephone Company-Phone
250.00-Codeworks-Software support
15.73-Conservative Publishing-Publications
42.67-Copy Systems-Copies
159.68-Custom Hose & Supplies-Parts
405.27-Diamond Mowers-Filters
112.43-Grainger Parts Inc. W.W.-parts
152.00-Gray Barn Industries-supplies
75.00-Iowa Dep of Natural Resources-Permit BROS-C016(118)
250.00-Iowa State University-MUTCD overview-Fangm
33.90-J.J. Nitching Company-Parts
6402.00-Jim Schroeder Construction-BROS-C016(118)-8J-1
67.96-Thiesen's-Sundry
100.00-JP Glass & More-Equipment
134.37-Lawson Products Inc-Signs
215.22-Myers Tire & Supply Co-Parts
117.98-Genuine Parts Company Inc-Parts
87.18-Pheps the Uniform Specialists-Sundry
17.25-Reserve Account-Postage
43.96-Sadler Power Train, Inc-Parts
187.87-Spahn & Rose Lumber Co-Sundry
85.99-T Mobile-Phone
31.73-Tipton Electric Motors, Inc-Freight
49.74-Truck Country of Iowa Inc-Parts
15.15-US Cellular-Phone
873.95-VISA/Bankers-Sundry

20151.51-Wendling Quarries Inc-Rock
2355.37-Wieles of Tipton-outside services
Transfer Station Fund
699.44-Alliant Energy-elec
1156.15-Cintas Corporation-uniform
5.00-Clarence Telephone Company-email
2252.92-Clinton County Waste Agency-1st Qtr
26.08-Genuine Parts Company Inc-breaker
25.00-Niles Chiropractic, Inc-drug screen
19.06-Reserve Account-Solid Waste
78.00-Progressive Rehabilitation-physical
20815.68-Quad Cities Landfill Millennium-landfill
2161.20-Rubberedge LLC-rubber edge
30.00-Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.-waste oil
324.87-Secondary Road Fund-rock
222.00-Wex Bank-DEF
Local Govt Opioid Abatement
1916.00-Amazon Capital Services-cameras
Cedar Co Health Fund
2154.50-Benefits, Inc.-mthly
13290.96-CEDAR COUNTY
TREASURER ACH-self funded med
Conservation Trust Fund
53.62-Capital One-supplies
87.89-Family Foods-hunter safety
55.44-VISA/Bankers Bank-supplies
PH/NS Memorial Trust Fund
8.22-VISA/Bankers Bank-water
Debt Service Fund
668502.50-UMB Bank, N.A Attn: Trust
Fees-interest
Early Childhood la-Cedar/Jones
890.00-Bennett Comm. School-scholarships
400.00-Durant Community Schools-scholarships
4647.51-Grant Wood AEA-CART
4608.33-Hawkeye Area Community
Action-Head Start
430.00-Little Lion Learning Center-Scholarship
770.00-Little Panther Preschool-Scholarships
3426.31-Lutheran Services in Iowa-PAT-LSI
240.00-North Cedar CSD Lowden-scholarships
250.00-North Cedar CSD Mechanicsville-scholarships
120.00-Olin Community School-Scholarships
1018.77-Sacred Heart Preschool-Scholarships
1198.31-St. Patrick's Preschool-Scholarships
5523.98-Young Parents Network-PAT-YPN
Jnt Disaster Serv.Fund
40.00-Cedar County Fair Assoc-pass
651.00-City of Tipton-util
420.00-All Star Turf-snow
7.02-Verizon-river gauge
E911
200.00-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-data
188.57-Clarence Telephone Company-data
3.00-F&B Communications-data
253.00-Mechanicsville Telephone-data
2.07-Reserve Account-E911
1085.65-VISA/Bankers Bank-Util
1177.79-Windstream Accounts Payable-data
Assessor
27.67-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-phone
100.69-Office Express-keyboard tray
54.80-Secondary Road Fund-fuel
1112287.21--Grand Total
WBT 18

Cedar county board

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES.FULL TEXT OF DAY'S MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT AUDITOR'S OFFICE OR ON OUR WEBSITE--WWW.CEDARCOUNTY.IOWA.GOV)
TIPTON, IOWA
April 15, 2025
Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. April 15, 2025 with following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of public were also present.
Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.
Manure Management Annual Updates submitted.
It noted following Handwritten Disbursement issued on 4/11/2025 to Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #442061 for \$1,646.80-self funded medical claims.
Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to approve agenda.
Ayes: All
Chairperson Bell addressed public for comments. Stacey Bair-Harmon informed Board she feels that private information released incorrectly and asked what could be done. Board said legal counsel has been contacted.
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Kaufmann to approve Board Minutes of April 8, 2025.
Ayes: All
Moved by Bixler seconded by Kaufmann to approve Claim Disbursements #441885 - #442060 paid on 4/10/2025.
Ayes: All
Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.
Engineer Fangmann met with Board for 2025 Granular Resurfacing Quotes and presented four rock quotes along with

Rock Resurfacing Program Engineers recommendation.
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to award and authorize Engineer Fangmann to sign contracts to Wendling Quarries districts 1 & 4-10 and Weber Stone districts 2 & 3.
Ayes: All
Moved by Gaul seconded by Barnhart to approve Final Voucher for FM-C016(120)--55-16.
Ayes: All
At 9:30 a.m. a public hearing held for proposed FY25/26 County Budget. Those in attendance were Public Health Director Wagaman, EMS Director Dinsch, Treasurer Delaney, Recorder Bahnsen, Auditor Welch, Engineer Fangmann and Financial Director Dauber. Discussion held.
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Barnhart to adopt Resolution 2025-01 Approval of FY25/26 County Budget and Certificate of Taxes.
Ayes: All
Nays: Bell
Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to adopt Resolution 2025-02 FY25/26 Elected Officials Salaries.
Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Gaul to approve Secondary Roads Iowa DOT budget and 5-year Construction Program.
Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Gaul to approve Rehmkne Homestead--Minor Subdivision. Petitioners: Fred Rehmkne & Linda Nielsen, Robert Rehmkne, Elanie Rehmkne. Location: A part of NW 1/4, SW 1/4 Section 31, T-79N, R-3W, Iowa Township, Cedar County, Iowa.
Ayes: All
Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to approve Resolution Rescinding Conditional Zoning Agreement in from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential District for Kerry Van Waes, and his assigns, heirs or successors in interest had been approved by Cedar County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Chapter 18.2(3) of Cedar County Zoning Ordinance, Number 10, and Code of Iowa Chapter 335.7, on June 7th, 2004, and Conditional Zoning Agreement recorded in office of Cedar County Recorder, in Book 685, Pages 259-262, on June 25, 2004.
Ayes: All
Matt Specht and Chandra Ravada, ECIA met with Board to discuss East Central Intergovernmental Association Economic Development Services. Cedar County Economic Development Commission (CCEDCO) is meeting next week to determine future as this commission no longer has a director. ECIA discussed ways they could help including General Management Activities, Marketing Materials, Business and Community Development Activities and Business Retention, General Marketing and Outreach Activities. cost would be an estimated \$55,000 for County and more to include Cities within Cedar County. Tipton and Mechanicsville have current members on Commission. Discussion held with no decisions made.
Moved by Bixler seconded by Kaufmann to adjourn at 11:13 a.m., to April 22, 2025.
Ayes: All
Jon Bell, Chairperson
Nicki Welch, Auditor
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West Branch city council

(The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the West Branch City Council meeting. A video recording is available for inspection at westbranchiowa.org. The minutes are not approved until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.)
West Branch, Iowa; City Council; April 21, 2025
Council Chambers; Regular Meeting; 7:00 p.m.
Mayor Roger Laughlin called the West Branch City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Roll call: Council members present, Tom Dean, Colton Miller, Mike Horihan, Tom Dean, Jerry Sexton and Jodee Stoolman.
City Staff present: City Administrator Adam Kofod, City Clerk Leslie Brick, Finance Officer Heidi Van Auklen, Police Chief Greg Hall and Park & Recreation Director Erin Laughlin.
Attending via Zoom: Library Director Jessie Schafer and Deputy Clerk Jessica Brown.
APPROVE THE AGENDA
Motion by Miller, second by Dean to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a voice vote.
APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
Approve minutes from the April 7, 2025 Special City Council meeting.
Approve minutes from the April 7, 2025 City Council meeting.
Approve a Special Event Permit for "Summer Kickoff 2025", sponsored by Main Street West Branch for June 13 and 14, 2025.
Approve a Special Event Permit for "Summer Kickoff Road Race", sponsored by West Branch Girls Track & Field on June 14, 2025.
Claims for April 21, 2025.
EXPENDITURES - 4/21/2025
AERO RENTAL-SODCUTTER RENTAL-P&R-159.50
AMAZON.COM-VARIOUS
SEE LEGALS, P7

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FEATURED PROPERTIES



416 E 4TH ST, TIPTON, \$69,500

SUBDIVISIONS, LOTS, ACREAGES & COMMERCIAL



LOT 1 - \$57,000 • LOT 2- \$57,000 • LOT 3 - \$58,000 • LOT 4 - \$52,000
LOT 5 - \$58,000 • LOT 6 - \$59,000 • LOT 7 - \$59,900 • LOT 8 - \$59,900 • LOT 9 - \$58,000



1007 PARKVIEW LN., TIPTON. \$53,000



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET WEST BRANCH School District Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025				
The WEST BRANCH School District will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025				
Meeting Date/Time: 5/12/2025 06:00 PM		Contact: Angie Klinkkammer		Phone: (319) 643-7213 ext: 102
Meeting Location: Hoover Elementary Library				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals .				
EXPENDITURES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Amendment Increase	Total Budget After Current Amendment	Reason
Instruction	8,335,034	950,000	9,285,034	Curriculum Purchase, Special Education Cost Increase and Prior Year Comparison Increase
Total Support Services	4,831,440	0	4,831,440	
Noninstructional Programs	1,416,732	0	1,416,732	
Total Other Expenditures	3,521,447	2,000,000	5,521,447	Elementary HVAC Project
Total	18,104,653	2,950,000	21,054,653	



Hoover up high

Oasis Electric electrician Braxton Bell hangs one of a dozen new Herbert Hoover promotional posters along Parkside Drive on April 23. The Hoover Presidential Foundation replaces the signs from time to time for a fresh look while encouraging motorists to visit the Hoover Presidential Library and Museum and Hoover National Historic Site. While the museum is closed for a \$20.3 million renovation project funded by the Foundation, the library and park remain open to visitors. **Gregory R. Norfleet**/*West Branch Times*

Gruenhagen

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Try 2.0,” allows Iowans diagnosed with rare, life-threatening diseases to access experimental drugs and therapies when traditional treatments are no longer effective.

By streamlining access to these alternative treatments and reducing regulatory barriers, the bill empowers patients to pursue options that may offer hope in otherwise dire situations.

To better support Iowa’s children facing terminal or

life-threatening illnesses, we passed House File 933, also known as “Mason’s Law.”

This bill allows for the creation of pediatric palliative care centers that will provide both respite and hospice services.

Inspired by a young boy named Mason, the legislation ensures compassionate, specialized care is available to families close to home, focusing on quality of life and emotional support during incredibly challenging times.

We also took steps to expand educational opportunities for members of

the Iowa National Guard with the passage of House File 117.

This bill creates the National Guard Service Professional Qualification Scholarship Program, allowing Guard members to use scholarship funds not only for degree programs but also for professional credentials.

This expansion will support recruitment efforts and offer more flexible career pathways for those serving in the Guard.

While we’ve made meaningful progress on these and other issues, significant work remains.

We continue discussions on major topics such as property tax relief, energy policy, and next year’s state budget.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, don’t hesitate to reach out!

To contact Senator Gruenhagen during the week, call the Senate Switchboard at 515-281-3371. E-mail him at kerry.gruenhagen@legis.iowa.gov. Gruenhagen serves on the following committees: Government Oversight Committee; Commerce; Education; Technology; Transportation; and Ways and Means.

Hall at the county building at 6 pm. Any or all. Federal legislators have been invited. If they don’t show, we’ll have stand-ins. Details and sign up at Mobilize.us.

The 82nd Indivisible promotes government accountability, quality public services,

clean water and more among residents of the 82nd Iowa House District. Columns are vetted by steering committee members Jeanette Wigim, Doug Schneider, Phil Young, Suzan Erem, Jennifer Sotelo, Melissa Bickford, and Linda Carrillo. Connect at 82nd.Indivisible@gmail.com.

Benefits

Last year we passed a bill giving sheriff and sheriff deputies a long-overdue boost to their retirement.

I said all along I would like these same benefits to be allowed in our non-411 cities for our local Police Chiefs and City Police Officers.

I voted for this bill in the State Government Committee, ran it through the Ways and Means Committee I chair, and now I have been able to vote for it off the House floor.

I hope this bill becomes law for all of our law enforcement officers.

It is easy to say you “back the blue,” but this is action.

You may contact Rep. Kaufmann at Bobby. Kaufmann@legis.iowa.gov, 563-260-3355 or 1527 330th St. Wilton, IA, 52778

- North on Charles Avenue
- East on 250th Street
- South on Garfield
- to end location

House

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couple hours of inconvenience.”

A crew will move the Yellow House at 302 Parkside Drive via the same route as before:

- North on South Downey
- across the Village Green parking lot
- North on South Second Street
- West on East Main
- North on North Downey Street
- continue on Baker Avenue
- East on 280th Street

The Yellow House was sold by the Hoover Presidential Foundation for \$1 with the stipulation that the new owners relocate the house. With the house gone, motorists coming into town will have a better view of the Herbert Hoover National Historic Site and Hoover Library and Museum.

The Foundation is spending \$20.3 million to update and renovate the museum for the first time in more than 30 years.

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LEGALS

FROM P6

PURCHASES-610.65
ANTHONY TATMAN-MMPI-2
EVALUATION - POLICE -150.00
BROWN, JESSICA-IMFOA MILEAGE
REIMBURSEMENT-187.60
CAPITAL ONE-SUPPLIES, PROG
PRIZES-LIBRARY-96.25
CEDAR COUNTY RECORDER-
RECORDING FEES-94.00
DONAHUES CARPET-CARPET
CLEANING - LIBRARY-575.04
ELITE HOLDING COMPANY-SOCCER
REVERSIBLES-P&R-255.00
IOWA ASSN. MUN. UTILITIES-
QUARTERLY SAFETY TRAINING
DUES-978.00
KNOPF-ON DEMAND VIDEO
SERVICE-22.00
LRS HOLDINGS-TRASH & RECYCLING
MARCH 2025-18,808.00
LYNCH’S PLUMBING-UNCLOG N
DOWNEY MAIN-540.00
MAINSTAY SYSTEMS OF
IOWA-WATCHGUARD 3 YRS -
POLICE-1,778.00
MENARDS-SHELVES, BLDG SUPP-
PW, P&R-684.07
MIDWEST UNDERGROUND
CONTRACTORS-EAST SIDE WATER
MAINS PH2-38,589.22
MOPPY MO’S-CLEANING
SERVICES-945.00
NEUZIL & SONS-CEDAR JOHNSON
RD TREE FELLING-7,695.00
OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE-
AUDIT FY24 FILING FEE-625.00
OLSON, KEVIN-LEGAL SERVICES
APRIL 2025-1,500.00
OVERDRIVE-DIGITAL & AUDIO
BOOKS-579.83
PARKSIDE SERVICE-MOWER TIRE
REPAIR-89.48
PAUL, BARBARA-FITNESS CLASS
REFUND-25.00
PLUNKETT’S PEST CONTROL-PEST
CONTROL-CITY OFFICE, TH-114.54
PROTECT YOUTH SPORTS
BACKGROUND CHECKS-P&R-94.50
PYRAMID SERVICES-TOOLS-PW-79.60
QUILL-COPY PAPER-LIBRARY-53.42
RIVER PRODUCTS COMPANY-ROCK
FOR BRUSH PILE-2,947.74
SCHAFER, JESSICA-MILEAGE
REIMBURSEMENT-32.90
STATE HYGIENIC LAB-LAB
ANALYSIS-1,184.00
TIPTON CONSERVATIVE-
SUBSCRIPTION-LIBRARY-46.00
US BANK CORPORATE CARD-CREDIT
CARD PURCHASES-3,180.75
VEENSTRA & KIMM-VARIOUS
PROJECTS-54,604.12
WEST BRANCH REPAIRS-VEHICLE
REPAIRS, PARTS-590.25
TOTAL-137,914.46
PAYROLL-WAGES, TAXES, EMPLOYEE
BENEFITS - 4/11/2025
58,087.41
PAID BETWEEN MEETINGS

SISCO-HEALTH & FLEX CLAIMS
4/14/2025-735.16
AT&T MOBILITY-WIRELESS
SERVICE-210.04
BAKER & TAYLOR-BOOKS-510.66
LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING-COPIER
LEASE-LIBRARY-142.02
LIBERTY COMMUNICATIONS-LIBERTY
COMMUNICATIONS-1,447.95
LINN COUNTY REC-STREET
LIGHTS-307.50

QC ANALYTICAL SERVICES-LAB
ANALYSIS-802.00
QUILL-BLDG. & OFFICE
SUPPLIES-311.50
WEX BANK-VEHICLE FUEL-1,039.30
SISCO-HEALTH CLAIMS 4/7/2025-
81.10
TOTAL-5,587.23
GRAND TOTAL
EXPENDITURES--201,589.10
FUND TOTALS
001 GENERAL FUND-57,248.19
022 CIVIC CENTER-407.27
031 LIBRARY-7,816.14
110 ROAD USE TAX-8,368.12
112 TRUST AND AGENCY-10,843.14
321 WIDENING WAPSI CREEK-
3,455.00
330 EASTSIDE WATER MAIN PH2-
38,869.22
531 CEDAR JOHNSON RD RECON-
54,558.22
600 WATER FUND-7,815.91
610 SEWER FUND-11,688.04
740 STORM WATER UTILITY-519.85
GRAND FUND TOTAL--201,589.10
Motion by Dean, second by Horihan to
approve the Consent agenda. AYES:
Dean, Horihan, Sexton, Stoolman, Miller.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
PRESENTATIONS / communications /
open forum
Pete Tuttle, resident of Water Street
asked the Council for an update on the
tree removal from his property from the
creek widening project. City Engineer
Schechinger gave an update on the
project.
Several residents were in attendance
to address the Council regarding the
upcoming special Planning & Zoning
Commission meeting scheduled for
Tuesday, April 22nd that has agenda
item requesting the commission to
“review and approve a recommendation
from Mayor Laughlin’s East Side Urban
Renewal Area boundary proposal”. The
information on the website regarding the
meeting includes a map of the east side
of town that the City is proposing to designate
as “slum and blight”. Residents
expressed their concern over such a
designation and why there was no communication
notifying residents of the city’s intention and many said they heard
about on social media. City Attorney
Olson briefly explained the Urban
Renewal law (per State Code) and
said that city’s only have two options:
designating an area as a “urban renewal
area” or “slum & blight”. Council members
responded that this designation is
needed in order for the city to provide
additional infrastructure, trails, a swimming
pool or recreation center and other
things residents are asking for. Another
council member said this designation
would open up grants for residents in the
affected area, but when asked how that
would work, it was indicated that there
was no formal plan in place. Mayor
Laughlin encouraged residents to attend
the Planning & Zoning Commission
meeting to hear his proposal and provide
feedback at that time
PUBLIC HEARING / NON-CONSENT
AGENDA
Public Hearing – Regarding Adoption
of the Final Proposed Budget for Fiscal
Year 2026.
Laughlin opened the public hearing
at 7:17 p.m. Resident Kandi Tuttle,
asked the Council to explain the budget
numbers for the new fiscal year. Kofeod
gave a brief review of where the city
spends the tax dollars annually noting

that thirty percent is spent on utilities
(water, sewer, storm water), twenty-one
percent on capital projects, fourteen
percent each on public works and public
safety and the remaining on debt service
payments, employee salaries and
benefits. There were no other public
comments. Laughlin closed the public
hearing at 7:23 p.m.
Public Hearing – Public hearing on proposal
to enter into a General Obligation
Corporate Purpose Loan Agreement.
Laughlin opened the public hearing at
7:24 p.m. There were no public comments.
Laughlin closed the public hearing
at 7:25 p.m.
First Reading Ordinance 826 –
Amending Chapter 105 – Solid Waste
Control. / Move to action.
Brick stated that public works opened
the new yard waste site last week
(located on the north side of the sewer
lagoons) on Fawcett Drive. Brick said
signage has been erected to direct
residents to the new site. She also
mentioned that signage indicates “no
contractors” are allowed to dump there
which led to a discussion on whether
or not the city would accept chips from
contractors. Those chips could be used
for the new sewer lagoons. Brick said
she would confirm with Goodale and
update the ordinance as needed for
the second reading. Other changes to
the ordinance are to remove the trash
and recycling cart size language since
that is something dictated by the private
contractor and would eliminate the need
for future Code changes should the city
change contractors and/or offerings in
the future.
Motion by Miller, second by Dean to
first reading of Ordinance 826. AYES:
Miller, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan, Sexton.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
FIRST Reading Ordinance 827 –
Amending Chapter 106 – Collection of
Solid Waste. / Move to action.
Brick explained the ordinance change is
to remove the current trash and recycling
fees from the code since they will also
change annually. Brick said these fees
will be available for residents on the
city’s website, schedule of fees and the
contract with the vendor. Miller asked
if the water and sewer rates could be
removed from the Code for the same
reason, but Olson replied that water and
sewer is a city “enterprise” or “utility” and
it is required to be in the Code. There
were no other comments.
Motion by Dean, second by Sexton to
first reading of Ordinance 827. AYES:
Dean, Sexton, Horihan, Stoolman, Miller.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-42 – Adopting the Final
Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (July 1,
2025 – June 30, 2026). / Move to action.
Finance Officer Van Auker, who spent
many hours on the annual budget,
reviewed both projected revenues and
expenditures for the FY26 budget. Van
Auker explained the differences in
from the FY25 and FY26 budget where
many of the changes are due to inflation,
increased utility costs, fire department
salaries, building inspections, and
special projects such as a new comprehensive
plan, use of LMI funds, cost associated with
the city election in November, resurfacing
the roadways in the municipal cemetery
and additional TIF rebate payments. The
Council thanked Van Auker for her work on
the budget.
Motion by Dean, second by Miller to

approve Resolution 2025-42. AYES:
Dean, Miller, Sexton, Horihan. NAYS:
Stoolman. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-43 - Approving 28E
Agreements between the City of West
Branch, Iowa and the Boards of Trustees
of Cass, Gower, Graham, Iowa, Scott
and Springdale Townships for the
purposes of fire protection and aid and
assistance for other emergencies or
disasters relating to life and property, or
hazardous materials. / Move to action.
There were no comments.
Motion by Sexton, second by Miller to
approve Resolution 2025-43. AYES:
Sexton, Miller, Stoolman, Dean, Horihan.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-44 - Allowing a street
closure and the consumption of alcohol
on a public street within the City of West
Branch, Iowa on Saturday, June 14,
2025 on the 100 block of North Downey
Street for a community event. / Move
to action.
Motion by Miller, second by Dean to
approve Resolution 2025-44. AYES:
Miller, Dean, Horihan, Stoolman, Sexton.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-45 – Setting a time
and place for a Public Hearing for the
purpose of soliciting written and oral
comments on the City’s proposed
Amendment to the fiscal year 2025 budget.
/ Move to action.
Motion by Sexton, second by Miller to
approve Resolution 2025-45. AYES:
Sexton, Miller, Horihan, Stoolman, Dean.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-46 – Resolution of support
of the application of BBCO, LLC, for
funding via the Workforce Housing Tax
Credit Program and pledging City monies
for the same. / Move to action.
Horihan asked for clarification on the
“one thousand dollar per residential unit”
and if this resolution is for supporting
Phase 4 of Heritage Hill. Kofeod confirmed
that this request is for Phase 4. Olson
added that the city is not paying actual
“cash”, just pledging support of one-thousand
dollars per residential unit. Horihan also
questioned the original Developers Agreement
which provides for four million, five hundred
thousand dollars of tax rebates. Horihan
also requested the Council provide consistency
in the amount of tax increment financing
(TIF) rebates given out in the future and
reminded the Council that Finance Officer
Van Auker suggested that the Council adopt
a TIF application for future developer requests
to ensure that process is consistent.
Motion by Dean, second by Sexton to
approve Resolution 2025-46. AYES:
Dean, Sexton, Miller, NAYS: Horihan and
Stoolman. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-47 – Approving an
Agreement with Lark Land, Inc. for water
and sanitary sewer improvements necessary
for future development. / Move to action.
Schechinger said that when Meadows
Part 6 was being planned, it was suggested
that the Meadows developer install a deeper
sewer line and extend the water main to the
west side of Cedar-Johnson Road to allow
for future growth in Johnson County and to
avoid disruption to those services when new
development occurs. Schechinger said the
city Code allows for the city to direct the
developer to install additional infrastructure
and reimburse them for the extra costs
associated with it. Kofeod said the extra costs
would be paid for by

the Cedar-Johnson Road reconstruction
project.
Motion by Miller, second by Sexton to
approve Resolution 2025-47. AYES:
Miller, Sexton, Stoolman, Horihan, Dean.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-48 – Resolution taking
additional action on proposal to enter into
a General Obligation Corporate Purpose
Loan Agreement Bond. / Move to action.
Stoolman asked how much of West
Main Street would be repaired with the
bond proceeds and Laughlin said plans
were to go from the bridge (over the creek)
to the round-about. Kofeod said there
would still be approximately \$1.5 million
left over for other projects that public
works are preparing to present to Council.
Motion by Sexton, second by Dean to
approve Resolution 2025-48. AYES:
Sexton, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan, Miller.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Resolution 2025-49 – Approving the City
Clerk job description and approval to
post the position. / Move to action.
Motion by Sexton, second by Miller to
approve Resolution 2025-49. AYES:
Sexton, Miller, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan.
NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Discussion – Greenview Subdivision
street lights (sponsored by Councilperson
Sexton)
Sexton stated that he has been talking
with Linn County REC on getting more
street lights for the Greenview Subdivision
and that it was determined that many of
the properties have the electrical in the rear
yards or side yards and that easements
would be needed to access them, which is
not always an easy task. Through Sexton’s
discussions with REC, they provided a quote
for 4 additional street lights at a cost of
\$28,435.99. Based on the overdue need for
extra lighting and the upcoming road
project that will affect the subdivision, the
Council agreed that this was an expense
that should be made and that the cost of
the additional lights should be paid out of
the Cedar-Johnson Road Reconstruction
project. The Council directed Kofeod to
bring back a resolution for the next council
meeting.
CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – No report
CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – No report
CITY ENGINEER REPORT
Schechinger reported on the Meadows
Part 6 progress and said utilities are complete
and that water mains were being pressure
tested. He also said conversations have
started with Boomerang on the project
timeline and alternate phasing proposed by
the contractor.
STAFF REPORTS
Library Director Jessie Schaefer reported
on the weeks activities that brought a lot
of traffic through the library doors, both
children and adult activities were well
attended.
COMMENTS from mayor and council members
- None
adjournment
Motion to adjourn by Miller, second by
Sexton. Motion carried on a voice vote.
City Council meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

West Branch school board

Special Board Meeting
04/24/2025 07:00 AM
Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83143871876>
West Branch, IA 52358
MEETING MINUTES
Those wanting to attend the Zoom meeting should use the following URL <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83143871876> shortly before 7:00 am. For those wanting a phone in option, call 1-312-626-6799 US. The meeting ID number is 83143871876. There is no Participant ID number.
Attendees
Voting Members
Mr. Greg Hetrick, Board President
Mrs. Amanda Whaley, Board Vice President
Mrs. Julie Sexton, Board Member
Ms. Lindsay Shultz, Board Member
Mr. Pete Swisher, Board Member
Non-Voting Members
Dr. Marty Jimmerson, Superintendent
Mrs. Angie Klippkammer, School Business Official/Board Secretary
Gregory Norfleet
1. Call to Order
Board President Hetrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda.
Motion made by: Mrs. Amanda Whaley
Motion seconded by: Mrs. Julie Sexton
Voting: Unanimously Approved
3. 2025-2026 WB EA
Negotiated Agreement
Motion to approve the 2025-2026 West Branch Education Association negotiated agreement as presented.
Motion made by: Mrs. Amanda Whaley
Motion seconded by: Mrs. Julie Sexton
Voting: Unanimously Approved
4. 2025-2026 WBESA
Negotiated Agreement
Motion to approve the West Branch Education Support Association negotiated agreement as presented.
Motion made by: Mrs. Amanda Whaley
Motion seconded by: Ms. Lindsay Shultz
Voting: Unanimously Approved
5. 2025-2026 Non-Certified Staff Salary & Wages
Motion to approve the 2025-2026 non-certified staff salary and wages as presented.
Motion made by: Mrs. Amanda Whaley
Motion seconded by: Mr. Pete Swisher
Voting: Unanimously Approved
6. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn at 7:03 a.m.
Motion made by: Mrs. Amanda Whaley
Motion seconded by: Mr. Pete Swisher
Voting: Unanimously Approved
Chairpersons
Secretary
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Roger Laughlin, Mayor
ATTEST:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk
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