

February 2, 2026

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR REINBECK, IOWA
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 5:30 P.M.

(These are the minutes to be approved by the council at the next city council meeting)

Mayor Eiffler called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council present at roll call were Wambold, Pease, Johnson, Trepp, and Bueghly. Also present were Wilkerson, Sue Buskohl, Chris Heasley, Marion Boyer, Ginny Poppen, Holly Fleshner, Tina Lyon, Nyola Shaffer, Marlyn Evans, Cherie Eckhoff, Brenda Snider, Bonnie Shinn, Lenah & Darren Oltman, Karyn Morgan, Randy & Michelle Thompson, Lydia Robertson, Dennis Evans, Janelle Boldt, Kathy Sealman, Diane Pippert, Kathy Beenken, Jordan Thede, Steve & Teresa Kauffman, Beth Thompson, Rebecca Schildroth, Joanne DeLaHunt, and Nicole Bently.

Trepp moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Bueghly. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The approved Consent Agenda consisted of Minutes from January 5, 2026, Treasurer's Report, Bills to be paid in the amount of \$31,456.39, Bills paid from January 6, 2026 through January 31, 2026, December Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports, December Bills Paid, January Budget Report, and January Utility Billing Audit Report.

Trepp moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Lenah gave a construction update from the library. The construction will begin on February 9th. The door on Clark Street will be closed and patrons will have to enter through the Blackhawk Street entrance. As this entrance is not handicap accessible, they are offering curbside pickup and local deliveries.

Randy & Michelle Thompson approached council asking for some reimbursement for basement damage caused by sewer backup. They were informed that the sewer line is the homeowner's responsibility and that because their basement is so deep they need to install a pump or private lift station and re-tap into the main from the top versus the side, as it currently is. CIT will be here Wednesday to re-inspect the city line to see if possibly slip lining the sewer line will help with draining the main faster.

Janelle Boldt approached council regarding setting up a Venmo account, through the city, for the Park Board pickleball court fundraising. The account would be through Lincoln Savings Bank and held in a separate account from the city's main account. That money would then be transferred to the city's checking account and held in their Gift & Trust Fund. Bueghly moved to approve the Park Board setting up a Venmo account through Lincoln Savings Bank, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Lydia Robertson approached council to inform them of a special event to support business networking that will be held on February 23, 2026 at the Reinbeck Legion. Amy Dunton, from UNI SBDC, will be at the meeting to work with the businesses.

Trepp moved to approve Resolution #2026-02R, A Resolution Setting Time & Date to Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Reinbeck, Iowa, to Add the Provisions for Chapter 124 Mobile Food Service Vendors and set the date for March 2, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Pease. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Johnson moved to approve Resolution #2026-03R, A Resolution to Transfer Funds to Pay Upcoming Obligations, seconded by Trepp. Roll call vote: Bueghly – aye, Trepp – aye, Johnson – aye, Pease – aye, Wombold – aye. Motion carried.

Wambold moved to approve Resolution #2026-04R, A Resolution Deleting Property from the Reinbeck Urban Renewal Area, seconded by Bueghly. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor introduced Ordinance #2026-01OR, an Ordinance Deleting Property From the Tax Increment Financing District for the Reinbeck Urban Renewal Area of the city of Reinbeck, Iowa, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Trepp moved that the ordinance be given its first consideration and that it be adopted, seconded by Pease. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Trepp moved that the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended and that Ordinance #2026-01OR, an Ordinance Deleting Property From the Tax Increment Financing District for the Reinbeck Urban Renewal Area of the City of Reinbeck, Iowa, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa, now be put upon its final consideration and adoption, seconded by Pease. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Mayor introduced Ordinance #2026-02OR, An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 99-10-02 Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Reinbeck Urban Renewal Area. Wambold moved that the Ordinance be given its first consideration and that it be adopted, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Wambold moved that the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended and that Ordinance #2026-02OR, An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 99-10-02 Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in Reinbeck Urban Renewal Area, be given its final consideration and that it be adopted, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried.

Two RFP's for the FY2026 yearly examination were sent out. The Auditor of State declined to respond to the RFP. Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn & Co. P.C. responded with a total maximum proposed cost of \$5,250.00. Wambold moved to approve Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn Co. P.C. to performed the city's FY2026 Annual Examination, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

A request was received for a 20 Minute Parking sign at 423 Main Street to allow for patient parking. Johnson moved to start the process to amend the Reinbeck City Code 69.11 to have a 20 Minute Parking sign installed at 423 Main Street, seconded by Bueghly. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The Reinbeck Inn motel parking was discussed as well. Wilkerson will see if this is in the city code.

Mayor expressed his desire to increase the snow violation parking fines to \$50. Wambold moved to start the process to amend the Reinbeck City Code 70.03 to increase parking violations to \$50 and increase the penalty for non-payment to \$10, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor reported that Precision Lawn Care will not be increasing his mowing and spraying contract with the city for 2026 and suggested that the city continue to use Precision instead of sending out RFP's. Wambold moved to contract Precision Law Care for the 2026 mowing and spraying at the current rates, seconded by Pease. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Johnson moved to set the Property Tax Levi Hearing for April 6, 2026 at 5:00 p.m., seconded by Wambold. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Johnson moved to set a Budget Amendment Hearing for March 2, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Bueghly. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

The annual spring and fall city wide clean up days and the costs for them were discussed. Wambold moved to have one clean up day a year during the spring and set the 2026 Spring Clean Up Day for April 18, 2026 with a rain date of April 25, 2026, second by Pease. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Wambold moved to approve the appointment of Chris Bunz to the Cemetery Board, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Johnson moved to approve Steve Kauffman to the Memorial Building Board, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Trepp moved to approve Darren Trunck's resignation from the Reinbeck Community Development Board, seconded by Bueghly. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Bueghly moved to approve Lydia Robertson to the Reinbeck Community Development Board, seconded by Trepp. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

The FY2027 budget requests were discussed. With the board's cuts resubmitted and using the \$140,000 figure for the library that was approved at the January 2026 meeting there is still a deficit of \$40,000 to meet a balanced budget. Lenah and the library board reported that they cannot make the \$140,000 that was approved for them in January work for their budget. They are requesting \$165,000 instead and will adjust the salary increases down to the 2.8 percent that was approved for the city, instead of what was proposed. The city cannot request additional revenues for the General Fund as it is at the \$8.50500 maximum rate allowed. Any shortfall will have to come from the General Fund's reserves. There was discussion on ways the city could bring in more revenues. The council is working on a Capital Improvement Plan and ways to capture additional revenues will be addressed during this process. After much discussion, Pease moved to allow the library \$165,000 in budgeted expenses and approve the other board's requests as presented, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote: Wambold – aye, Pease – aye, Johnson – aye, Trepp – aye, Bueghly – aye. Motion carried. The city's General Fund budgeted expenses for FY27 will be \$947,230.00 and revenues are projected to be \$882,699.00 leaving a deficit of approximately \$65,000 that will have to be taken out of the General Fund's reserve.

Mayor reported that Finally Home has until the end of February to submit a plan for the property at 506 Broad Street.

Having no further business to discuss, Wambold moved to adjourn, seconded by Johnson. 5 ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor, Jamie Eiffler

Julie Wilkerson, City Administrator

CITY OF REINBECK**FEBRUARY 2026 EXPENSE APPROVED**

FOLKERTS & SONS TRUCKING	WATER - ROCK FOR MAIN REPAIR	\$ 58.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	CITY - UTILITIES	\$ 22,078.62
VAN HAUEN AUTO	FIRE - ANNUAL FED INSPECTION	\$ 448.14
IOWA ONE CALL	WA/SW - LOCATES	\$ 8.10
MICROBAC LABORATORIES INC	WA/SW - TESTING	\$ 1,053.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IOWA	CITY - DEC 2025 TAXES DUE	\$ 2,193.86
LSB	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 5,313.02
CASEY'S	CITY - FUEL	\$ 275.53
TAMA/GRUNDY PUBLISHING	CLERK - 12/1/26 MINUTES & BILL	\$ 168.00
GORDON FLESCH	CLERK - COPIER CONTRACT	\$ 89.70
USPS	WA/SW/SS/GARB - BILL POSTAGE	\$ 227.60
IPERS	REGULAR IPERS	\$ 4,001.80
IAMU	SEWER - 1ST QTR SAFETY TRAIN	\$ 529.00
BENGEN BRETT	STREET - CELL PHONE	\$ 31.00
KONE	LIBRARY - ELEVATOR MAINT	\$ 459.27
RTU	CITY - PHONE & INTERNET	\$ 459.35
HAWKINS	WATER - CHLORINE	\$ 10.00
RYAN EXTERMINATING	CITY - PEST CONTROL	\$ 67.60
ELAN	LIBRARY - ADULT BOOKS	\$ 2,338.54
PRECISON LAWN CARE	SNOW - MAIN STREET CLEANING	\$ 1,350.00
BEST SERVICES	SEWER - MOBILE LINK WIFI SUBS	\$ 49.99
IMFOA	CLERK - 2026 MEMBERSHIP	\$ 50.00
COOLEY SANITATION	GARBAGE/RECYCLING - CONTRACT	\$ 8,738.31
IOWA CODIFICATION	CLERK - ANNUAL WEB HOSTING	\$ 450.00
SUPERIOR WELDING	STREET - COMPRESSED OXYGEN	\$ 126.72
WINDSTREAM	WATER - PLANT PHONE	\$ 14.60
REINBECK HARDWARE	FITNESS CENTER - SUPPLIES	\$ 135.69
GRUNDY CO CLERK OF COURTS	CITY - JUDITH KARTOUS FEES	\$ 190.00
GRUNDY CO SHERIFF	POLICE - CONTRACT	\$ 13,404.75
COMMUNITY TITLE	CLERK - 506 BROAD LIEN REPORT	\$ 150.00
WILKERSON, JULIE	CLERK - CELL PHONE	\$ 31.00
AFLAC	AFLAC CANCR PRE	\$ 252.54
WINKOWITSCH, TREY	WA/SW - CELL PHONE	\$ 31.00
HSA-WILKERSON	HSA CONTRIB	\$ 749.98
HSA-WINKOWITSCH	HSA CONTRIB	\$ 461.52
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	CITY - SUPPLIES	\$ 138.33
MCCANN, LINDA	LIBRARY- SPEAKING	\$ 25.00
WELLMARK BCBS	HEALTH BENEFIT	\$ 5,918.72
MEMORIAL BLDG DEP RETURN	MEMORIAL BLDG - DEPOSIT REFUNDS	\$ 200.00
HEARTLAND CO-OP	FIRE - FUEL	\$ 52.52
HSA-BENGEN	HSA CONTRIB	\$ 461.52
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	CLERK - 1/5/26 MINUTES	\$ 274.10
HSA-OLTMAN	HSA CONTRIB	\$ 500.00

C AND C WELDING INC.	SNOW - CUTTING EDGE & GUARD	\$ 2,041.90
FISH WINDOW CLEANING	CITY HALL - WINDOW WASHING	\$ 40.00
TRIONFO SOLUTIONS LLC	CITY - DISABILITY/LIABILITY	\$ 117.50
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	LIBRARY - COPIER CONTRACT	\$ 127.03
MACQUEEN	FIRE - HANGING PATCH	\$ 64.74
	CITY/LIBRARY - REBEL READERS	
REINBECK COUNTRY FOODS	SUPPLY	\$ 68.99
SNIDER, KYLE	LIBRARY - BOOK ENGRAVINGS	\$ 95.00
TRUNCK, DARREN	PARK/CEMETERY - CELL PHONE	\$ 31.00
CITY OF ANKENY	LIBRARY - LOST BOOK	\$ 21.99
ELLSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY - DRAGONET PROPHECY BK	\$ 6.00
WAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY - BOOK REPLACEMENT	\$ 18.99
GRUNDY REGISTER	CLERK - 2026 SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 79.00
THE IOWA PRINT SHOP LLC	POOL - HELP WANTED ADS	\$ 130.00
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$ 76,408.56
	GENERAL FUND	\$ 23,877.04
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$ 12,283.24
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$ 7,850.89
	WATER FUND	\$ 11,199.62
	SEWER FUND	\$ 12,476.29
	GARBAGE/RECYCLING FUND	\$ 8,476.85
	FITNESS CENTER FUND	\$ 124.43
	STORMWATER UTILITY FUND	\$ 120.20

JANUARY 2026 REVENUES RECEIVED

GENERAL FUND	\$ 6,455.40
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$ 19,506.67
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$ 1,065.54
LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX FUND	\$ 24,602.08
TIF FUND	\$ 443.32
PARK GIFT & TRUST FUND	\$ 73.89
LIBRARY GIFT & TRUST FUND	\$ 17,928.89
STREET PROJECT FUND	\$ 1,403.85
WATER FUND	\$ 23,011.86
WATER SINKING FUND	\$ 73.89
SEWER FUND	\$ 46,505.95
SEWER SINKING FUND	\$ 517.21
GARBAGE/RECYCLING FUND	\$ 13,184.77
FITNESS CENTER FUND	\$ 1,402.77
STORMWATER UTILITY FUND	\$ 2,295.03
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 158,471.12