

City of Fontanelle
April 8, 2025

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at the Community Center, with Pro Tem Mayor Brown calling the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members attending were Brown, Connors, Edwards, Goetz and Young. Walker was absent. All motions are carried out unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employees, Dodson and Ernst were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brown.

Public hearing for second reading of Ordinance 2025.01 opened at 6:01 pm and closed at 6:04 pm.

Connors motioned to waive the third reading of **Ordinance 2025.01** and passed; Young seconded. Roll Call, Aye: Brown, Connors, Edwards, Goetz and Young

Public comments were heard regarding many properties in need of cleaning and barking dogs.

Goetz motioned to approve the consent agenda items (agenda, March 17, 2025, minutes, financial statements and bills for payment), seconded by Connors.

No mayor's or council report was given.

Clerk's report: by Dodson. Reminder: Public hearing April 22. Council member Connors helped with the city's insurance quote and saved \$12,000 in premium costs.

No police report was given.

Utility Supervisor Ernst informed the council that a larger transformer is needed for the 21st Century coop project. Edwards motioned to purchase a 500 KVA transformer from Resco, Connors seconded. Goetz, nah. Aye: Brown, Connors, Edwards and Young.

No information was available for sidewalk grants.

Jordan Hamilton proposed a solution for the city dump site. He would remove debris from the city dump for \$200 per load. Large logs would be chipped for dry usage. Per Hamilton the loads would be taken to Bridgewater since they accept dumps for free.

Goetz motioned to forward the city dump subject to the April 22nd meeting to allow time to get more information from the Department of Natural Resources, Connors seconded.

Connors motioned to approve 201 Maple Street building permit, seconded by Young.

Edwards motioned to approve 202 McKinley Street building permit; Connors seconded. After much discussion the motion by Edwards was amended to approve the permit without electricity to the building, Connors seconded. Goetz, nah. Connors, Edwards, Brown and Young, aye.

Connors motioned to approve 516 Scott building permit with compliance with codes and locates, Edwards seconded.

Edwards motioned to approve June 7, 2025, as city wide cleanup day, Goetz seconded.

Edwards motioned to approve purchasing a software budget module from Banyon, seconded by Young.

Connors motioned to approve **Resolution 2025.10** employee wage increase: Young seconded. All, aye.

Goetz motioned to approve the Fontanelle police officer Heinz go to part-time without benefits with a minimum of 12 hours per week patrolling, staying at current pay and no medical benefits, Edwards seconded. All, aye.

Connors spoke about expanding the farmers' market in the park this summer with activities.

Edwards motioned to set a codification working meeting for April 22, 2025, at 6:15 pm at the community center, Goetz seconded.

No consent agenda items to discuss.

Next agenda item: police department and city dump.

Next regular City council meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2025 @ 6 p.m.

A loss dog concern was heard in closing comments.

Goetz motioned to adjourn at 7:31 p.m., Edwards 2nd.

Bills paid to approve since Mar 17, 2025, meeting

	BILLS PAID	
CMS	processing fee	\$418.13
Cyber Solutions	processing fee	\$80.00
Farmers Electric	utilities	\$243.35
FNB	processing fee	\$26.21
IPAIT	utilities	\$10,004.94
IA Dept Rev	sales tax- MAR 2024	\$804.32
IA Dept Rev	WET tax-MAR 2024	\$956.35
IA Dept Rev	SUTA 2025 Q1	\$1,952.49
IA UMEMPOYMENT	2025 Q1 TAX	\$65.97
IPERS	IPERS-MAR 2025	\$3,594.46
IRS	FICA 3/21/25	\$2,711.77
IRS	FICA 4/4/25	\$2,366.61
Rivera, Almeda	utility overpayment	\$100.00
United Healthcare	healthcare	\$4,784.78
Verizon	utilities	\$124.22
Windstream	utilities	\$243.61
	TO BE APPROVED	
21st Century	supplies	\$432.95
AccuJet	service	\$5,953.56
Adair Co Auditor	public service coverage	\$2,500.00
Agriland	supplies	\$350.46
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$416.32
Atlantic, City of	monthly sewer contract	\$1,250.00
Caseys	fuel	\$512.81
Country Blooms	service	\$1,125.60
Creston Publishing	printing	\$254.48
Cummins Sales & Srv	maintenance	\$1,307.76
Dept of Energy	power purchase	\$13,950.08
Ernst, Hunter	mileage	\$127.40
Farmers Lumber	supplies	\$46.54
FNB Insurance	insurance	\$57,028.00
Grantham Sanitation	Utilities	\$145.00
GMU	Utilities	\$4,823.18
Held, Amanda	service	\$210.00
Hotsy	supplies	\$230.01
IAMU	membership due	\$322.35
Library	support	\$12,500.00
Matheson Tri-gas	supplies	\$177.40
McIntire	testing	\$88.62
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$2,446.30
Municipal Utilities	transfers	\$15,282.57
Neonlink	processing fees	\$84.40
Rivera, Almeda	deposit return	\$300.00
Schwinger Lawn	supplies	\$89.00

Scott, Jim	electrical purchase	\$15.80
Southwest IA Pest Control	service	\$226.00
Stuart, John	electrical purchase	\$4.62
True Value	supplies	\$26.47
Windstream	utilities	\$663.82
Totals		\$151,368.71

Revenues MAR 2025

General Fund	\$2,534.65
Road Use Tax	\$6,140.21
Employee Benefit	\$504.58
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$7,253.09
Meter Deposits	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$16,255.32
Water Sinking	\$4,415.07
Sewer Fund	\$18,392.70
Sewer Sinking	\$10,867.50
Electric Fund	\$59,624.74
Library Fund	\$6.78
Landfill Fund	\$1,130.74
Totals	\$127,125.38

Expenditures MAR 2025

General Fund	\$12,446.97
Road Use Tax	4021.67
Employee Benefit	\$567.83
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$0.00
Meter Deposits	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$19,947.71
Water Sinking	\$0.00
Sewer Fund	\$18,541.14
Sewer Sinking	\$0.00
Electric Fund	\$39,442.44
Library Fund	\$1,516.11
Landfill Fund	\$0.00
Totals	\$96,483.87

Attest: City Clerk, Mary Dodson