

City of Fontanelle  
June 17, 2025

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at the Community Center, with senior council person Goetz calling the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Council members attending were Connors, Edwards, Goetz and Young. Walker & Brown were absent. All motions are carried out unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employee Dodson was present.

Goetz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment regarding the city dump.

Connors motioned to approve the consent agenda items (agenda, May 13, 2025, minutes, financial statements and bills for payment), seconded by Young.

No mayor's report was given.

Utility committee met with 21<sup>st</sup> Century Coop regarding the cost of the transformer.

Dodson gave a clerk's report.

No police report was given.

Goetz read a utility report. West 3<sup>rd</sup> street tube repair will be split 50/50 with Adair County. Regulator control for electric substation needs replaced. Edwards motioned to purchase control boards, Young 2<sup>nd</sup>.

No presentation from Zach Nunn's office was heard.

Discussed options for a receptacle at the city brush pile site. Edwards motioned to have Ernst, utility supervisor purchase a dump trailer that is in the city's best interest for no more than \$11,500 and purchase with LOST funds, Connors 2<sup>nd</sup>. All, aye.

April Jackson spoke requesting a dog be allowed to return to their property, but did mention the fence had not been put up yet. Connors motioned to allow the dog to return since he did not feel the dog had not met criteria to be removed. No second was heard, motion died. Edwards read the ordinance to Jackson and didn't feel the dog should be returned. Jackson excited without further council comment.

Edwards abstained. Connors moved to approve option #1 to prepay for propane to Agriland FS Inc, Goetz 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Young abstained. Connors motioned to approve 314 4th Street building permit, seconded by Edwards.

Connors moved to approve the alcohol renewal license for Wreckers or Checkers LLC, Edwards 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Edwards motioned to approve 511 6<sup>th</sup> St burn variance for 1-month and limit the burning to yard waste and tree branches, Young 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Goetz abstained. Edwards indicated to approve 711 Scott St burn variance for 1-month, Young 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Enterprise Club requested Main Street from the west side of the slab to the east side of Wreckers or Checkers be closed July 18, 2025, from 2 pm to 10 pm for the annual slab supper and kid games. Connors moved to approve the closure as requested, Edwards 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Connors explained the Lutheran Church will have a community meal in the city park on July 26, 2025.

Fontanelle Fire Chief Sickles explained to the Council the need for a new EMS ambulance. He also indicated the department's desire to remain volunteer and not charge for services. The council asked Sickles to explore more options for funding. Sickles agreed and wanted to be on the next regular meeting agenda.

Connors moved to charge back the excessive landfill charge to the citizen for dumping concrete on June 6, 2025, Edwards 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Edwards motioned to set a 5th codification meeting for June 25, 2025, 6-7:30 pm, City Hall, Connors 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Edwards moved to continue with the current Itron software for 12 more months, Connors 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Young motioned to approve **Resolution 2025.14** to move funds to sinking, Connors 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Connors motioned tabling Resolution 2025.15 to the next agenda for cost-of-living increases, Edwards 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Connors moved to table a city dump rate until hearing back from our attorney, Young 2<sup>nd</sup>.

No consent agenda items to discuss.

Next agenda item: hours for city brush pile & trailer use, EMS ambulance feedback and cost-of-living increases.

Young moved to approve July 8, 2025, as the next regular meeting, Connors 2<sup>nd</sup>.

No closing forum comments.

Connors motioned to adjourn at 7:35 pm, Edwards 2nd.

**Bills paid to approve since May 13, 2025, meeting**

	BILLS PAID	
CMS	processing fee	\$334.69
Caseys	fuel	\$172.01
Cyber Solutions	processing fee	\$80.00
Dearborn	benefits	\$142.00
Farmers Electric	utilities	\$217.43
FNB	processing fee	\$29.40
IPAIT	utilities	\$7,338.04
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IA Dept Rev	sales tax- MAY 2024	\$732.52
IA Dept Rev	WET tax-MAY 2024	\$977.86
IA Finance Authority	Water Loan	\$33,250.00
IA Finance Authority	Water Loan	\$7,974.76
IA Finance Authority	Sewer Loan	\$133,910.00
IPERS	IPERS-MAY 2025	\$4,519.30
IRS	FICA 5/16/25	\$2,130.22
IRS	FICA 5/30/25	\$2,103.82
IRS	FICA 6/13/25	\$2,135.50
United Healthcare	healthcare	\$4,787.78
Verizon	utilities	\$124.18
Windstream	utilities	\$243.71
Windstream	utilities	\$439.72
	TO BE APPROVED	
21st Century	supplies	\$466.92
Adair Co Landfill	support	\$5,070.00
Alex Air Apparatus	supplies	\$349.00
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$73.79
Banyon	software	\$3,119.00
Border States	supplies	\$123.60
Burgmeir, Eugene	deposit return	\$271.81
Coast to Coast Products	supplies	\$199.96
Creston Publishing	printing	\$137.48
Atlantic City of	monthly sewer contract	\$1,250.00
Dept of Energy	power purchase	\$9,721.05
Farmers Lumber	supplies	\$66.90
FNB Insurance	insurance	\$1,501.00
Forward Fontanelle	electricity	\$745.67
Grantham Sanitation	Utilities	\$145.00
GMU	Utilities	\$5,504.57
Goldstar Products	supplies	\$552.45

Greenfield Ace Hardware	supplies	13.98
Greenfield Lumber	postage	\$13.71
Iowa League of Cities	membership	\$811.00
Iowa One Call	service	\$27.90
Matheson Tri-gas	supplies	\$177.40
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$2,036.30
Municipal Utilities	transfers	\$15,282.57
Neonlink	processing fees	\$82.80
Raco	software	\$450.00
Resco	transformer	\$24,615.35
Scott, Jim	electricity	\$10.56
Stuart, John	electricity	\$21.87
Southwest IA Pest	service	\$226.00
State Hygienic Lab	testing	\$304.00
UnityPoint Clinic	service	\$42.00
USA Bluebook	supplies	\$297.29
USPS	rent	\$110.00
Visa	supplies	\$347.57
Wallace Auto Supply	supplies	\$256.98
Windstream	utilities	\$710.07
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$284,387.36</b>

#### Revenues MAY 2025

General Fund	\$17,699.25
Road Use Tax	\$7,778.58
Employee Benefit	\$3,594.43
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$12,101.86
Meter Deposits	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$17,105.29
Water Sinking	\$4,415.07
Sewer Fund	\$19,181.00
Sewer Sinking	\$10,867.50
Electric Fund	\$52,733.73
Library Fund	\$8.79
Landfill Fund	\$1,142.84
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$146,628.34</b>

#### Expenditures MAY 2025

General Fund	\$15,859.26
Road Use Tax	5150.05
Employee Benefit	\$229.78
Urban Renewal	\$0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	\$0.00
Meter Deposits	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$19,762.65
Water Sinking	\$0.00
Sewer Fund	\$20,968.59
Sewer Sinking	\$0.00
Electric Fund	\$68,338.53
Library Fund	\$5,001.99
Landfill Fund	\$0.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$135,310.85</b>

Attest: City Clerk, Mary Dodson