

City of Fontanelle
May 12, 2026

The Fontanelle City Council met in regular session at the Community Center, with Mayor Brown calling the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Council members attending were Connors, Goetz, Herr, Martin and Young. All motions are carried out unanimously, unless otherwise noted. City employees, Dodson & Scovel, were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brown.

Public comments were heard regarding nuisance properties.

Connors motioned to approve the consent agenda (agenda, amended Mar 10, 2026, Apr 14, 2026, and Apr 21, 2026, minutes, financials, & bills to pay), Martin seconded.

H & L Surveillance spoke in more detail regarding city wide cameras.

Connors moved to allow the City Library to keep 2 special revenue accounts under their control, move the library's daily accounting to the City and this to start FY2027 or July 1, 2026, Herr 2nd. Roll call: All Aye.

Connors motioned to move the USDA grant unfinished business next instead of department reports, Martin 2nd.

Connors moved to approve the updated contract with Snyder & Associates since the USDA grant has been approved, Young 2nd. Roll call: All, Aye.

Council reported hearing complaints re: yards not mowed, burning trash in town and no animal shelter service close is available.

Dodson gave a clerk's report.

Martin moved to approve the Cummins Sales and Service \$14,723.34 estimate for the lagoon generator repair, Young 2nd. Connors motioned to approve up to \$2,000 to repair the City's tractor, Martin 2nd.

Goetz moved to table the community center updates, Connors 2nd.

Connors motioned to wait until more estimates are received to decide on city cameras, Martin 2nd.

Goetz moved the landfill rate increase be changed in Ordinance chapter 106 and approved through codification, Connors 2nd.

Goetz motioned to end the discussion re: the water line on 4th street which connects 107 4th St, 113 4th St and 401 Jefferson properties due to the city not having liability, Herr 2nd.

Goetz moved to approve building permit 551 Edwin Pl with locates and setbacks followed, Herr 2nd.

Martin motioned to approve 204 Maple St building permit with locates and setbacks followed, Herr 2nd.

Connors motioned to approve 511 7th St burn variance, Martin 2nd.

Connors moved to continue auto renewal for 304 Washington tobacco license, Martin 2nd.

Connors moved to approve the sewer loan compliance audit, Young 2nd.

Connors moved to retain O'Donnell, Ficenec, Wills & Ferdig, LLP for the City's yearly audit, Goetz 2nd.

Connors motioned that since the City has no responsibility for property lines, we will not approve the property encroachment, the landowners need to come to their own agreement, Martin 2nd.

Items for next agenda: cameras and sinks

Goetz moved to set a special meeting for cameras for May 27th @ 5:15 pm @ City Hall and a working meeting to follow at 5:30 pm, Young 2nd.

Connors moved to approve June 9, 2026, as the next regular meeting, Goetz 2nd.

Connors motioned to adjourn at 8:04 pm, Goetz 2nd.

Bills paid to approve since Apr 14, 2026, meeting

	BILLS PAID	
CMS	processing fee	481.90
Cyber Solutions	processing fee	90.00
Dept of Energy	electricity	14,909.60
FNB	wire fee	25.00
Farmers Electric	utility	216.11
IA Dept Rev	sales tax- Apr 2026	1,056.38
IA Dept Rev	WET tax-Apr 2026	1,022.57
IPAIT	electricity	9,766.99
IPERS	IPERS-Apr 2026	3,038.40
IRS	FICA 4/17/26	2,067.31
IRS	FICA 5/1/26	2,715.91
Stuart Appliance	Community Center	699.00
United Healthcare	healthcare	4,717.55
Verizon	utilities	95.59
Windstream	utilities	340.48
	TO BE APPROVED	
21st Century	supplies	\$485.76
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$216.80
Casey's	supplies	\$40.66

City of Atlantic	service	\$2,655.00
Community Controls	supplies	\$770.61
Creston Publishing	printing	\$341.79
Dodson, Mary	mileage	\$183.86
Echo Electric	supplies	\$378.76
Farmers Lumber	supplies	\$141.82
Feld Fire	service	\$1,734.75
Grantham Sanitation	Utilities	\$145.00
GMU	Utilities	\$5,510.98
GMU	contract	\$9,535.53
Greenfield Lumber	postage	\$34.37
Iowa One Call	service	\$18.90
Iowa Utilities Commission	service	\$1,119.65
MAG 1 Auto	service	\$466.84
Matheson Tri-Gas	rental	\$177.40
Metering Technologies	supplies	\$638.09
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$2,744.95
Municipal Utilities	transfers	\$16,736.42
Neonlink	processing fees	\$87.20
Stanard	service	\$49.50
Visa	supplies	\$82.57
Windstream	utilities	\$190.08
Totals		\$85,730.08

Revenues Apr 2026

General Fund	\$ 64,483.27
Road Use Tax	\$ 8,074.57
Employee Benefit	\$ 13,772.07
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 16,107.42
Debt Service	\$ 110.11
Water Fund	\$ 16,894.64
Water Sinking	\$ 3,751.42
Sewer Fund	\$ 19,046.54
Sewer Sinking	\$ 12,985.00
Electric Fund	\$ 58,918.85
Library Fund	\$ 5,456.09
Landfill Fund	\$ 1,116.94
Totals	\$220,716.92

Expenditures Apr 2026

General Fund	\$ 42,929.26
Road Use Tax	\$ 6,528.43
Employee Benefit	\$ 706.09
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 1,556.11
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Water Fund	\$ 23,919.41
Water Sinking	\$ -
Sewer Fund	\$ 108,729.67
Sewer Sinking	\$ -
Electric Fund	\$ 75,499.41
Library Fund	\$ 10,628.81
Landfill Fund	\$ -
Totals	\$270,497.19

Attest: City Clerk, Mary Dodson