



GRINNELL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, AT 7:00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF CITY HALL AND VIA ZOOM

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MINUTES

Mayor Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all council members present.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Smith, to approve the agenda as presented. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve the consent agenda:

- A. Minutes: April 6, 2026.
- B. Review Campbell Fund requests.
- C. Mayor Appointment - Veterans Commission:
 1. Becky De Los Santos
 2. Randall Hotchkin
- D. Hiring of Jacob Kessler, Police Sergeant, effective May 1, 2026.

AYES: 6-0. Motion carried

The Mayor and Council acknowledge receipt of the following meeting minutes and communications:

- A. Finance Committee Minutes: April 6, 2026.
- B. Public Works & Grounds Committee Minutes: April 6, 2026.
- C. Public Safety Committee Minutes: April 6, 2026.
- D. March 2026 Monthly Report - Police Department.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on proposed contract documents and estimated cost for repairs or improvements of the Apron Reconstruction at the Grinnell Regional Airport.

The Mayor then asked the Deputy Clerk whether any written or oral objections had been filed by any city resident or property owner regarding proposed contract

documents and estimated cost for repairs or improvements of the Apron Reconstruction at the Grinnell Regional Airport.

The Deputy Clerk advised the Mayor and the City Council that no written or oral objections had been filed regarding proposed contract documents and the estimated cost for repairs or improvements of the Apron Reconstruction at the Grinnell Regional Airport.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Smith, to close the public hearing on the proposed contract documents and estimated cost for repairs or improvements of the Apron Reconstruction for the Grinnell Regional Airport. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Council member Wray presented the March Investment and Treasurers reports. No action was taken.

Council Member Wray discussed the committee's insurance Policy Renewal. No action was taken.

Wray made the motion, seconded by Hart, to approve a Referral Incentive payment to Alyssa Devig for the referral of Jacob Kessler per the requirements in Resolution No. 2023-222. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-41. A resolution approving the plans, specifications, proposed form of contract, and estimated total cost for the Apron Reconstruction Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Byron Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by John Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-42. A resolution accepting bid and authorizing the award of contract, contingent upon the receipt and execution of grant agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration and approving an application for Federal Aviation funding assistance for the construction of the Apron Reconstruction Improvements Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-43. A resolution authorizing submission of an application for the Iowa Department of Transportation airport funding and certifying eligibility requirements. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-44. A resolution authorizing Change Order No. 6 in the amount of \$27,069.88 for the Water Treatment Plant. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve the Music in the Pavilion concert series on Tuesdays, May 19, June 16, July 28, August 25, and September 15, 2026. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve the Big Gay BBQ event on Saturday, June 27, 2026, from 9:00am-3:00pm. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve the DAMfest concert on Saturday, June 27, 2026, from 6:00pm-10:00pm. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve the PALS & Performing event on Thursday, May 7, 2026. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a Sidewalk Assistance Application for 1327 Spring Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-45. A resolution approving Change Order No. 1 to an Engineering Service Agreement with Houston Engineering for the Lakes Restoration Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-46. A resolution approving Change Order No. 1 for a contract with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, for the Lakes Restoration Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve Resolution No. 2026-47. A resolution approving contract with Manatt's Inc. in the amount of \$142,665.00 for the 2026 Seal Coat Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 2nd Avenue and Reed Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 2nd Avenue between East and High Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 3rd and 4th Avenue. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 301 East Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 500 Pearl Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Cox, to approve a right-of-way request from Windstream for 608 Pearl Street. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley, to approve a street closure request from the Grinnell Rotary Club to close the west side of Park Street from 4th to 5th Avenue and the south side of 5th Avenue from Park to Broad Street beginning June 3, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. until June 4, 2026, at 9:00 p.m. for their annual Barbeque. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Smith, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding for Paramedic Intercept with Montezuma Ambulance. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley, to approve a Standard Training Agreement with Des Moines Area Community College and the Grinnell Fire Department. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Smith, to approve a 3 year Service Agreement with Roe Consulting LLC for the GEMT (Medicaid) cost reporting. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Council discussed the request for reserve parking for the Postels Community Health Park. No action was taken as the council would like to further discuss some options.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Smith, to approve a request from the Chamber of Commerce to close parking spaces and sidewalks on Broad Street from Commercial Street to 4th Avenue and 4th Avenue from Broad Street to Park Street, on Thursdays from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. beginning May 14, 2026, to October 17, 2026, for the Farmers Market. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley, to approve a street closure request from the Grinnell Chamber of Commerce beginning at Noon, until 6PM: Hamilton Ave from High Street to Broad Street including the intersections of High Street & Hamilton Avenue, State Street & Hamilton Avenue, Park Street & Hamilton Avenue and from 4:30PM until 7PM: Broad Street from Hamilton Avenue to 10th Avenue, 10th Avenue to Penrose, Penrose to the Grinnell College/Bayer parking lot. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Smith, to approve the Grinnell Chamber of Commerce's request of Streateries for 2026. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Cox made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley, to approve Resolution No. 2026-50. A resolution approving a one-time Retention Incentive payment for the Police Chief Michael McClelland and Police Captain Dan Johnson. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Bly made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve a request from Jay's Deli for a sidewalk seating area. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Rachel Bly made the motion, seconded by Jo Wray, to approve Resolution No. 2026-48. A resolution establishing a date for a public hearing on the proposed sale of city owned property. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Bly made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve the proposed Real Estate Request for Proposal. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Bly made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve Resolution No. 2026-49. A resolution for a Tax Abatement application, John F. Cavanaugh, 1935 Jewel Drive. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

There were no inquiries.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

SAM COX, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ERIEENNE DOLL, DEPUTY CLERK