

City of Preston
Regular City Council Meeting
October 13, 2025

Mayor, Tyler Sieverding called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL: Present: Matt Petersen, Leesa Budde, Dylan Meyer, Matt Gerardy, Adam Reuter. Absent: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Sheryl Ganzer, City Administrator/Clerk, Tracey Lee, Deputy Clerk, Marc Rudin, Origin Design, Joel & Jennifer Driscoll, Gary Roling, Jesse Kilburg, Joe Christiansen, Tim Morehead and Adam McPhearson, Police Officer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by D. Meyer, seconded by M. Gerardy.
Motion carried.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC COMMENTS: Gary Roling was present to make the city council aware of the storm water that has begun bubbling up out of the ground instead of the inlets on West Street. Roling shared a video from August and had questions on going forward with his driveway. He was told that the storm water is currently being addressed and any work that will be done in the future involving the drive will be repaired by the city.

CONSENT AGENDA: Including minutes of the last meeting, financial reports, payment approval of paid and unpaid claims, utility reports, monthly police report, water heater rebate-D. Beck - \$25, heat pump rebate – Downtown Pub - \$300, building permit – R. Strait, building permit – steps/deck – M. Cram and building permit – fence addition – S. Theisen. All building permits were reviewed and approved with no issues. A motion to approve the consent agenda made by L. Budde, seconded by A. Reuter. Motion carried.

Payee	Description	Amount
CODE 4 PUBLIC SAFETY EMBLEMS LLC	DEPARTMENT PATCHES/CHEST BADGES	330.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	MEALS ANKNEY TRAINING	186.50
HIGHWAY 64 DESIGNS LLC	DECALS FOR SPEED TRAILER/SXS	153.01
EASTERN IOWA POWER SPORTS	REPAIRS TO SXS	400.92
AT&T MOBILITY	PD PHONE SERVICE	375.12
PRESTON TELEPHONE COMPANY	SEPTEMBER 2025 PHONE SERVICE	893.38
L & S ARMS LLC	SILENCER CO SUPPRESSOR COVER	169.98
IOWA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	IOWA SYSTEM BILLING 2025-2026	1,200.00
VC3 INC.	ITnBox SUPPORT	887.25
IOWA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION	2025 MEMBERSHIP L. RUCHOTZKE	25.00
RUCHOTZKE, LANDON	MILLAGE TO PICK UP PD PROP	44.80
RIVER VALLEY ENERGY	800.7 GAL UNLEADED @ \$2.706/GAL	8,897.07
BURKEN WELDING & FABRICATION LLC	WELDING SERVICES	250.00
USCELLULAR	FD CELL BILL	29.58
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	NFPA RATED COMP FIRE BOOTS	732.63
DINGES FIRE COMPANY	4 BLOCKING HOOD	679.10
UNPLUGGED WIRELESS COMM LLC	4 UNICATION DUAL BAND PAGERS	736.60
IOWA MUN WORKERS COMP.	INSTALL 4 25-26	818.00
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	CONNECTOR FOR SALT TRUCK	38.29
PRESTON MUNICIPAL UTIL.	SEPTEMBER 2025 UTILITIES	9,317.43
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT CEDNTER	TRAFFIC PAINT 24 YELLOW 72 WHITE	687.36
WELLMARK	SEPTEMBER 2025 HEALTH INS	9,553.57
PRESTON MUNICIPAL UTIL.	AUGUST 2025 UTILITIES	205.10
PRESTON TELEPHONE COMPANY	AUGUST 2025 PHONE SERVICE	81.37

BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	BOOKS	228.41
CAROLINE BREDEKAMP	MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS	307.78
QUILL CORPORATION	LABELS, FILE FOLDERS	222.55
BADRICK'S SERVICE & SALES	OIL FILTER GRASSHOPPER	37.02
DRISCOLL, MEGAN	REIMB 2025 NIGHT HIKE FLASH LIGHTS	435.01
JACKSON CO. ECONOMIC ALLIANCE	INVESTMENT FOR FY2023/2028 YEAR 3	13,500.00
PLASTICS UNLIMITED	FY24/25 TAX REBATE 2 OF 2	10,116.50
GANZER, SHERYL	REIMB MILLAGE WPPI ANNUAL MEETING	354.20
PRESTON TIMES	09/08/25 CLAIMS	238.11
QUILL CORPORATION	COPY PAPER	56.00
IPERS COLLECTION	IPERS PENALTY	19.97
JACKSON COUNTY RECORDER	RELEASE DOWNPAYMENT LOAN-TEBBE	7.00
MAQUOKETA STATE BANK	STOP PAY FEE ON CK 47429 LOST CHECK	37.45
MAQUOKETA STATE BANK	SEPT 2025 MAINTENACE FEE	47.62
1ST AYD CORPORATION	SAFETY GLASSES, TISSUE, ROLL TOWELS	302.14
COUNTY LINE CONCRETE LLC	SIDEWALK DRIVEWAY APPROACH-DAVIS	6,564.00
FARRELL, BRAYDIN	SIDEWALK REIMBRUSEMENT	780.00
ROWOLD, AVERY	SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	341.25
IOWA DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES	ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE 2026	115.00
TREASURER/SALES & USE TAX	WATER EXCISE TAX	1,249.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	POSTAGE WATER SAMPLES	327.24
CHEM RIGHT LABORATORIES INC.	WATER SAMPLE LAB FEE	22.00
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOC	AWWA MEMBERSHIP DUES	288.00
HAWKINS INC	151 AZONE	796.01
J & R SUPPLY INC.	8X4 TAP SLEEVE AND SUPPLIES	2,761.00
MILES LUMBER AND HARDWARE	BOLTS	8.80
USA BLUE BOOK	RED/GREEN SPRAY PAINT/DPD TABLTS	519.17
VAN WERT INC	WATER METER ELLIS PROPERTY	1,454.64
RAGAN MECHANICAL	INSALL NEW BLOWER LAGOON	4,431.00
QC ANALYTICAL SERVICE LLC	WASTEWATER LAB FEES	540.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	WPPI CONF HOTEL SHERYL GANSER	894.00
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	WPPI CONFERENCE HOTEL RAY ERNST	746.10
ERNST, RAY	WPPI CONFERENCE MEAL	21.69
MAQUOKETA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOP	SECURITY LIGHT SEPT 2025	9.15
LYNCH DALLAS P.C.	REVIEW AID OF CONSTR AGREEMENT	542.50
WPPI	SEPTEMBER 2025 PURCHASE POWER	54,954.74
ALLIANT ENERGY	ADMINF FEE Q4 2025	3,000.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	600FT ELEC PULLING ROPE	1,137.71
BURKEN UNDERGROUND LLC	1827 FT 2 CONDUIT"	7,130.33
CULLIGAN OF CLINTON	LIGHT PLANT WATER CONDITIONING	37.85
CULLIGAN OF CLINTON	SOLAR SALT LT. PLANT	37.85
FLETCHER-REINHARDT CO.	LUBRICANT WIRE PULLING	317.67
GATOR GRAPHICS	5 TSHIRTS - RAY	96.30
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	QUICK LINKS FOR PULLING WIRE	48.44
IOWA ASSOC. OF MUN. UTIL.	DRUG & ALCOHOL TRAINING WEBINAR	140.00
UNITYPOINT CLINIC	DOT RANDOM	42.00
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	AUGUST 2025 COMMODITY INVOICE	3,217.72
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	SEPTEMBER 2025 RESERVATION INVOICE	6,911.89

PEFA INC.	SEPTEMBER 2025 PEFA COMM INVOICE	4,014.30
ITRON INC.	SOFT WARE MAINT 10/25-09/26	1,854.42
ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	HRA ADMINISTRATION SERVICE	42.00
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO INC	SEPTEMBER 2025 LIFE INS	372.63
KILBURG EQUIPMENT	SERVICE HYDRAULIC SYSTGARB TRUCK	1,392.77
TREASURER/SALES & USE TAX	LOCAL OPTION TAX	2,466.55
CLINTON CO AREA SOLID WASTE AGENCY	REFUSE - SEPTEMBER 2025	2,782.60
WASTE AUTHORITY OF JACKSON CO.	OCT-DECEMBER 2025 LANDFILL ASSESS	3,126.96
ACCESS SYSTEMS	LEASE PMT SHARP COPIER	137.43
UNION-HOERMANN PRESS	REMINDER NOTICES 400	538.00
VC3 INC.	SET UP AND CONFIGURE 3 PCS	2,400.00
IOWA ASSOC. OF MUN. UTIL.	OCT-DEC 2025 SAFERTY TRAINING	948.50
MACY WILHELM	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	16.05
PARIS CRAIG	UTILTIY DEPOST REFUND	201.27
		182,378.35
	APPROVED EXPENDITURES BY FUND:	
	GENERAL FUND	44,059.34
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	0.00
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	4,485.25
	INSURANCE RESERVE	0.00
	CUSTOMER DEPOSITS	217.32
	WATER FUND	12,032.63
	SEWER FUND	10,486.82
	ELECTRIC FUND	81,260.47
	GAS FUND	18,026.26
	GARBAGE FUND	8,610.26
	STORM WATER FUND	3,200.00
	SEPT 2025 REVENUES	
	GENERAL FUND	250,561.26
	ROAD USE TAX FUND	249,190.96
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TAX	79,221.80
	EMERGENCY	40,972.60
	TIF	39,597.39
	CUSTOMER DEPOSITS	32,464.35
	DEBT SERVICE FUND	-132,965.65
	WATER FUND	835,335.75
	SEWER FUND	577,762.79
	STORM WATER FUND	95,396.05
	ELECTRIC FUND	986,980.00
	GAS FUND	666,671.81
	GARBAGE FUND	84,442.64

SALE OF LOT 5 – WEST STREET: This item was tabled at last meeting to address the remaining concerns. Marc Rudin met with Jesse Kilburg, then again with sewer committee members and Morehead to review the existing sanitary sewer depth along with accessing the water pressure and utility easement. Kilburg would like to connect

the water, sewer and gas utilities to West Street all in one trench within the 30ft. easement on the Christiansen lot. If Kilburg purchases the lot, the remaining property would remain open for a residential dwelling with his plans to put up a house potentially for a rental dwelling. Following discussion, the council members each gave their comments followed by a motion to approve the sale of Lot 5 from Christiansen to Kilburg made by D. Meyer, seconded by L. Budde. Motion carried.

STORM WATER DESIGN AGREEMENT – ORIGIN DESIGN: Marc Rudin, Origin Design informed council of the updated engineering fees to move forward and prepare the design agreement and plan documents that would take to project up to going forward with the bidding process. The new cost would be \$86,500. Rudin also said that if a facility plan is needed, the additional cost would be about \$15,000 more. After the design agreement is done, he would then assist in acquiring funding through a USDA loan and continue to look for grant funding options. Sieverding responded with considerations needed to be made regarding prioritizing the list of other related projects. Rudin agreed to meet with council to review and will coordinate with Ganzer to set up a workshop. The council was in favor of waiting to move forward with design plans until a meeting can be arranged.

RESOLUTION 2025-05: Adopting the Annual Street Finance Report: Ganzer reviewed the SFR explaining this report is required by the state and it lists all the Revenues and Expenses related to the Street General Fund and the Road Use Fund. The biggest difference from last year was due to the completion of the Amos Street Reconstruction project that is reflected in the Road Use Fund. The project was added to the report and reflected in the summary Road Use Fund beginning balance of \$610,900 and ending balance of \$221,876 and the end of FY 24/25. A motion to accept and place on file the Annual SFR was made by D. Meyer, seconded by A. Reuter. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ECIA – CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCES: Ganzer shared a letter from ECIA that was received to inform the city that it will be 5 years since our city code has been updated. It is a state requirement to codify to be able to enforce its laws. Preston's code expires in April 2026. The estimated cost, on the high side, was between \$2000 - \$3000. Ganzer encouraged all city council committees that, in addition to the adding of ordinances that have been passed in the last 5 years, to assist in combing through the ordinances for any additional updating or changes that we would consider making.

ELECTRIC GRID RESILIENCE GRANT AWARD UPDATE: Ganzer shared the results of the grant award and explained that we were not selected. The grant scoring criteria and the reviews by the award committee were shared. Preston's score was near the middle of the 14 applications requesting \$17 million, of which only \$5.6 million was available, making this a very competitive round of applications. We are encouraged to reapply for any future funding rounds.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to be discussed, Sieverding asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion received by D. Meyer, seconded by A. Reuter. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm.


Tyler Sieverdin, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sheryl Ganzer, City Administrator/Clerk