

CITY OF WEST OKOBOJI
 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
 501 TERRACE PARK BLVD
 MONDAY APRIL 13, 2026, 5:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Mayor Craig Miner

COUNCILMEMBERS: Robert Hein, Mike Paxton, Paul Sieh, Mike Olson, Darlene Powers

ADMIN/CLERK/STAFF: Carol Chicoine

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Hallgren,

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Miner called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Roll call was completed with quorum present. Motion Powers, second Hein, to adopt the agenda. All ayes, motion carried. Motion Powers, second Olson to approve consent agenda which included : minutes from 3/9/26, 3/25/26 4:45 PM, and 3/25/26 5PM, claims and claims in vacation for April, March 2026 financials, and FY26 Budget YTD, all ayes. motion carried.

Visitors: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING : Mayor Miner Opened Public Hearing for FY27 Budget at 5:32 P.M., Administrator Chicoine reported there were no written comments for or against and with no oral comments for or against, Mayor Miner closed the public hearing at 5:33 P.M. Motion Paxton, second Powers to approve **Resolution 2026-07** Approving FY27 Budget, roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Council reviewed documents on proposed increasing commercial rates and key fob policies. Council agreed to send letters to commercial garbage users to let them know proposed rates. Proposed key fob policy will be sent out with the next newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion Paxton, second Olson on approving requesting easement to put fire hydrant on the property 2911 1st Street, all ayes, motion carried. Motion Hein, second Sieh on bid from BD Construction Services LLC for bid for fire hydrant and valve installation on 1st street as a TIF project, all ayes, motion carried. Administrator Chicoine informed council about upcoming Milford Municipal Utilities meeting on increasing end user rates. If this passes the city will have to increase our rates per ordinance. Councilwoman Powers presented an idea about a nature-based playground made from trees to replace the playground at Titterington Park. Council agreed to investigate the costs of a project like that. Motion Powers, second Olson to purchase a pergola/gazebo for Vernon & Coila Park, all ayes, motion carried.

Committee report: Committee meet to go over garbage rates and key fob polices and to recommend them for approval.

Council Report: None

Mayor Reports: None

City Administrator: Budget complete, spring outside projects in the works, bringing in sand at the beach.

Zoning Administrator: Permits ramping up with the weather getting warmer. Working on ordinance updates.

Mayor Miner called for a motion to adjourn, motion Sieh second Paxton, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Attest: Carol Chicoine, City Administrator/Clerk

Craig Miner, Mayor

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ALLIANT ENERGY	3/26 ELECTRIC	2259.46
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	PAINT AND AIR HOSE	139.11
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	3/26 GAS	687.54
BLUE LAKE WEBSITE	3/26 WEBSITE UPDATES	817.5
BLUE VALLEY PUBLIC SAFETY	2 WAY UPGRADE EMERGENCY SIREN	7,053.88
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC	PARK MAINT EQUIP AND CHAINS	322.42
ELAN FIANCIAL SERVICES	4/25 VISA WEBSITE DOMAIN	99.97
IA GREAT LAKES AREA CHAMBER	FY26 DUES	295
CULLIGAN WATER	3/26 WATER	8.25
CUTTING EDGE SALES & SERE	CHAIN AND REPAIR	202
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	4/26 DENTAL/VISION	327.18

DICKINSON COUNTY NEWS	3/26 TAX LEVY	145.64
DICKINSON CO REGIONAL COLL CEN	3/26 RECYCLING	80
DICKINSON COUNTY TRAILS BOARD	FY26 DUES	2,879.00
EFTPS - 941	FED/FICA TAX	4,141.04
FASTENAL COMPANY	BIN UPDATE AND STOCK	647.66
GALEN'S PRO-MOW	MOWER MAINTANCE	488.95
HACH COMPANY	COLORIMETER/CHLORINE	1,592.10
IPERS	IPERS	2,851.52
MENARDS, INC	SHINGLES/LADDER CITY HALL	2,136.23
MILFORD COMMUNICATIONS	NOV/DEC INTERNET/FAX	148.81
MILFORD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	3/26 WATER PURCHASE	25,084.64
NEW COOPERATIVE INC	3/26 FUEL	688.25
PILOT ROCK	PET STATIONS	1,427.00
PLANNING SOLUTIONS,LLC	3/26 ZONING ADMINISTRATION	1,275.03
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE	3/26 LIFE	312.25
SAM WEDEKING EXCAVATING, INC	SPRING VAC	2,610.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY	3/26 WATER TESTING	15.5
STEIN LAW OFFICE	3/26 LEGAL FEE	62.5
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	1,290.39
TRUE VALUE-MILFORD	3/26 STATEMENT	107.24
VERIZON	4/26 CELL/BEACH INTERNET	155.59
VISUAL EDGE IT	2/26 COPIER #25	234.66
WALKER INSURANCE AGENCY	FY27 CYBER INS	1,795.08
WASTE MANAGEMENT-LANDFILL	GARBAGE	539.24
WELLMARK	4/26 HEALTH INS	5,339.41
Accounts Payable Total		68,260.04
Total Payroll Paid		13,509.91
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		81,769.95

Revenues : General 19,903.27; Road Use 2,923.43; LOST 9,673.09; TIF 3,542.20; TIP AP 1,283.33; Cap Imp
Water 2,982.61; Water 114,298.49; Water Deposits 364.83; Garbage 23,279.12 Total 178,250.37
Expenses : General 80,569.06 Water 30,695.41; Water Dep 122.94; Garbage 6,268.34 Total 117,655.75

