

**THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BLUE GRASS CITY COUNCIL
BLUE GRASS, IOWA MAY 18, 2026**

The Blue Grass City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the 18th day of May 2026, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Mississippi Street, Blue Grass, Iowa, pursuant to law, with Mayor Brad Schutte presiding, with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection.

Council present: Hermann, Smith and Blok. Member Brandenburg arrived at 7:01 p.m. Absent was member Bowman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Smith moved to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Blok. Roll call: Smith-aye, Blok-aye and Hermann-aye. Motion carried.

MAYORAL COMMENTS: Mayor Schutte read aloud the Mayoral Comments.

PUBLIC FORUM: From those in attendance, there were none.

CONSENT AGENDA: Blok moved to approve the Consent as presented, seconded by Smith.

1. May 4, 2026 minutes

2. Payment of claims

Roll call: Blok-aye, Smith-aye, Brandenburg-aye and Hermann-aye. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

3. Report: Chief Brian Seamer presented the April 2026 Fire Department report.

PARK BOARD:

4. Report: Member Deb Testroete presented the May 2026 Park Board Report. The Clerk reported that the City was awarded \$15,000.00 from the Regional Development Authority to help offset costs to renovate Fridley Park Pavilion; however, they were unsuccessful in the pickleball court with the Scott County Regional Development Authority.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

5. Report: Mayor Schutte presented the April 2026 Police Department report prepared by Chief Mike Meier.

NUISANCE ABATEMENT(S):

6. Nuisance Abatement(s): Mayor Schutte reported that there were two nuisances abated by the City reporting that both the Chief and Public Works Director were compiling a list of violators and/or nuisance abatements.

LICENSING & RENEWAL(S):

7. Renewal(s): Smith moved to approve the following Cigarette Permit Renewals for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027: JLee Oil/BP; Casey's General Stores #3288 and Dollar General Store #12897, seconded by Brandenburg. Roll call: Smith-aye, Brandenburg-aye, Blok-aye and Hermann-aye. Motion carried.

POLICY & ADMINISTRATION:

8. Clerk's Report: City Clerk Ann Schmidt presented the April 2026 Clerk's Report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

9. Strategic Planning & Goal Setting: Mayor Schutte announced a bid letting opening date of May 26, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall for the 2026 Street Improvements Projects.

COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Mayor Schutte referred to a letter from the Iowa Department of Transportation in regards to their proposed project consisting of PCC patching on US-61 to

Utah Avenue in Davenport, Iowa. He also asked that the Council consider holding one meeting a month if there were no actions to be taken at a meeting asking that it be placed on the next meeting agenda for further discussion.

The Clerk reported a Street Committee meeting date of May 20, 2026 at 3:45 p.m. at City Hall to discuss Scott County’s proposed joint jurisdiction road resurfacing project for FY ’31.

ADJOURNMENT: Smith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Hermann. Roll call: Smith-aye, Hermann-aye, Brandenburg-aye and Blok-aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Mayor Brad Schutte

Attest: Ann M. Schmidt, CMC, City Clerk/Financial Officer

CLAIMS:

ALL SEASONS CARWASH	VEH OPER	51.75
B.G. BUGLE	ADVERT & PUBLICATIONS	200.00
DSI	DRUG TESTING	51.50
EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER	UTILITIES	1,556.03
IA AMERICAN WATER	UTILITIES	8.88
KNOX CO.	EQUIP OPER	5,832.00
MARTIN & WHITACRE SURVEYORS	ENGINEERING SVS	3,275.77
MEDIACOM	INTERNET SVS	766.94
MENARDS	BLDG & GRNDS MAINT	10.54
NORTH SCOTT PRESS	OFFICE OPER	95.00
OFFICE MACHINE CONSULT	EQUIP OPER	939.00
PS3 ENTERPRISES	BLDG & GRNDS MAINT	370.00
QUAD CITY TIMES	ADVERT & PUBLICATIONS	298.89
REPUBLIC SVS	GARBAGE/RECYCLING	11,277.00
ROSS MEDICAL	EQUIP OPER	52.92
VISA	VARIOUS DEPTS.	237.59
TOTAL:		25,023.81

TOTAL FUNDS:

GENERAL	13,667.62
ROAD USE	79.19
SANITATION	11,277.00
TOTAL FUNDS:	25,023.81