

**THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BLUE GRASS CITY COUNCIL  
BLUE GRASS, IOWA                      AUGUST 18, 2025**

The Blue Grass City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025, 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: Brandenburg, Hermann, Bowman, Smith and Blok.

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

Mayor Schutte read aloud the Mayoral Comments.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Brandenburg moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Blok.

1. August 4, 2025 minutes
2. Resolution 2025-30 ref: authorizing a payment from the accumulated TIF Reserve
3. Resolution 2025-31 ref: acceptance of the FY '24-'25 Official Street Finance Report
4. June 2025 Clerk's Report
5. Payment of claims

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

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

6. **Report:** Fire Chief Brian Seamer presented the July 2025 Fire Department report.

**PARK BOARD:**

7. **Report:** Mayor Schutte presented the August 2025 Park Board report prepared by Chair Ryan Powers.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

8. **Report:** Mayor Schutte presented the July 2025 Police Department report prepared by Police Chief Mike Meier.
9. **Trick-or-Treat:** Bowman moved to set Blue Grass' trick-or-treat date to October 31, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., seconded by Smith. Roll call: Bowman-aye, Smith-aye, Brandenburg-aye, Hermann-aye and Blok-aye. Motion carried.

**NUISANCE ABATEMENT(S):**

10. **Nuisance Abatement(s):** Mayor Schutte reported that there were no new nuisances reported. Brandenburg inquired about the nuisance abatement on East Meuse Street. Mayor Schutte reported that he would follow up with Chief Meier as he was handling.

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTIONS:**

11. **Second reading of Ordinance Amendment 2025-11:** Smith moved to accept the second reading of Ordinance Amendment 2025-11 in reference to Chapter 2.10 Administrative Expense Policy, seconded by Brandenburg. Roll call: Smith-aye, Brandenburg-aye, Hermann-aye, Bowman-aye and Blok-aye. Motion carried.

**POLICY & ADMINISTRATION:**

12. **Grant Proposals:** It was the consensus of the Council to reapply for the pickle ball court for the Park Board and if possible, request from both Authorities.

**13. GASB 77:** The Clerk reported that in August 2015 the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 77 requiring cities to disclose their fiscal year's qualifying tax abatements to other governmental entities that are impacted by their taxing authority by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. She displayed copies of the letters sent to Scott County, Muscatine County, Eastern Iowa Community College and the Davenport Community School District.

**14. Clerk's Report:** City Clerk Ann Schmidt presented the June 2024 Clerk's Report.

**COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** There were none.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Brandenburg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bowman. Roll call: Brandenburg-aye, Bowman-aye, Smith-aye, Blok-aye and Hermann-aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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Mayor Brad Schutte

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

**CLAIMS REPORT**

|                          |                            |                  |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| ALL SEASONS CARWASH      | VEH OPER                   | 96.00            |
| B.G. BUGLE               | ADVERTISING & PUBLICATIONS | 200.00           |
| B.G. FIRE DEPT           | OPER SUPPLIES              | 100.00           |
| EASTERN IA LIGHT & POWER | UTILITIES                  | 2,244.79         |
| MCCULLOUGH, WM.          | LEGAL SVS                  | 1,387.50         |
| MEDIACOM                 | INTERNET SVS               | 451.80           |
| MIDAMERICAN ENERGY       | UTILITIES                  | 1,894.81         |
| NAPA                     | EQUIP OPER                 | 207.49           |
| NELSON ELECTRIC          | BLDG & GRNDS MAINT         | 4,742.00         |
| OFFICE MACHINE CONSULT   | EQUIP OPER                 | 83.71            |
| OPG-3                    | COMPUTER MAINT             | 441.00           |
| PANTHER UNIFORMS         | UNIFORM ALLOW              | 335.08           |
| PS3 ENTERPRISES          | BLDG & GRNDS MAINT         | 360.00           |
| QUAD CITY TIMES          | ADVERTISING & PUBLICATIONS | 132.84           |
| REPUBLIC SVS             | GARBAGE/RECYCLING          | 100.00           |
| SCOTT CO. SHERIFF        | JAIL EXPENSE               | 75.00            |
| SINCLAIR TRACTOR         | EQUIP OPER                 | 599.93           |
| T&M SMALL ENG REPAIR     | EQUIP OPER                 | 120.00           |
| TC AUTO                  | VEH OPER                   | 313.71           |
| TRUCK COUNTRY OF IA      | VEH OPER                   | 13.85            |
| VISA                     | OPER SUPPLIES              | 194.94           |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>            |                            | <b>14,094.45</b> |

**TOTAL FUNDS:**

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| GENERAL             | 13,713.80        |
| ROAD USE            | 280.65           |
| SANITATION          | 100.00           |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS:</b> | <b>14,094.45</b> |

**ADD'L BILLS PAID – JUNE 2025**

|                                       |                  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| PAYROLL                               | 35,461.44        |
| BG SAVINGS (FED'L/FICA/MEDICARE W/H)  | 11,283.75        |
| TREASURER, STATE OF IA (STATE W/H)    | 1,163.75         |
| IPERS (PENSION W/H)                   | 7,482.96         |
| AMERICO (457 PLAN W/H)                | 300.00           |
| AFLAC (INS W/H)                       | 33.12            |
| CENTRAL STATES INS (EMPLOYEE CONTR)   | 640.00           |
| CENTRAL STATES INS (HEALTH INS)       | 3,572.00         |
| POSTMASTER-POSTAGE                    | 264.48           |
| IA WORKFORCE DEV-UNEMPLOYMENT         | 117.86           |
| SCOTT CO. RECORDER-FEE                | 17.00            |
| MICROSURFACING CONTRACTORS-STR IMPROV | 15,000.00        |
| GIBBS, ANGELA-UB REFUND               | 112.00           |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                         | <b>75,448.36</b> |

**FUND TOTALS**

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| GENERAL           | 54,501.58        |
| ROAD USE          | 16,880.44        |
| SANITATION        | 376.48           |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFITS | 3,689.86         |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>    | <b>75,448.36</b> |

**REVENUES – JUNE 2025**

|                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| GENERAL                 | 29,745.50         |
| FIRE TOWNSHIP           | 38,787.32         |
| PARK IMPROV RESERVE     | 100.00            |
| ROAD USE                | 26,054.81         |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFITS       | 1,632.33          |
| LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX  | 22,141.52         |
| MONEY MARKET            | 829.82            |
| TAX INCREMENT FINANCING | 2,774.62          |
| SEWER                   | 20.00             |
| SANITATION              | 11,263.17         |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>           | <b>133,349.09</b> |