

Inwood City council
June 17, 2025

Inwood City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers. Mayor Becca Bixler presided. Council Members present: Mark Timmerman, Shannon Faber, Jordan Huyser, Chad Evans, and Rick Rozeboom. Also present: Jamie Van Beek, John Fluit, Jr., PJ Van Engen, Neil Fluit, Barb Hassebroek, Jordan Halma, and Kenny Scholten.

Jamie Van Beek presented his monthly maintenance report. The pool is up and running. The pool heater was down for a couple days, but has been repaired. Water mains were flushed this week. Van Beek is in the process of filling pot holes. Seal coat improvements are scheduled for August. Preparation for the 4th of July has begun.

Motion by Evans, second by Rozeboom to approve the consent agenda which includes minutes of the May 12, May 27, and June 2 Council meetings, Treasurer's report, and list of bills for payment. Carried 5-0.

Ahlers Law Firm	Legal fees	\$3470.50
A&J Electric	Repairs	75.00
Alliance Comm	Telephone	265.14
American Red Cross	Facility fee	300.00
Badger Meter	Fee	413.08
Blue Valley	Siren Battery	1075.00
Bomgaars	Supplies	521.77
Chesterman	Concessions	404.20
Coop Elevator	Supplies	111.95
DeWild & Grant	Engineering	6774.80
Elsmore Swim	Swim suits	241.12
Farmers Lumber	Window	368.20
Foundation Lab	Lab tests	157.25
Glass Doctor	Installation	406.60
GNR Plumbing	Inspect Pool heater	119.00
Hawkins	Supplies	6357.83
Herm's Sanitation	Clean Up Day	2350.92
Herm's Sanitation	Garbage collection	6944.50
IA DNR	Certificate fee	120.00
IMWCA	Premium	2914.00
Inwood Body Shop	Polish	141.95
Iowa League	Dues	1070.00
IPERS	Payroll	2450.90
Lil Chubs	Fuel	263.88
Lyon Rural Water	Water	8335.95
Lyon Co Emergency	Hazard Mitigation	500.00
Martins Flags	Flags	210.90
Storey Kenworthy	Supplies	81.61
Mid American Energy	Utilities	2185.92
NW IA League	Dues	25.00
Oak Street Station	Fuel, concessions	1374.35
One Office	Supplies	58.11

Postmaster	Postage	185.92
ProChem	Supplies	328.25
Recreation Supply	Pool supplies	304.23
Siouxland Health	Food license	150.00
Thomas Mfg	Picnic tables	4924.00
True Value	Supplies	763.97
Town & Country	Mower Blades	145.15
Treas Iowa	Sales tax	807.93
Tri State Ready Mix	Concrete	285.00
US Treas	Payroll	4334.82
Vogel Paint	Pool paint	1495.81
Woods Fuller	Legal fees	943.50
Xtreme Fire	Inspection	498.80
605 Art Bus	Program	325.00
Alliance Comm	Library phone	83.34
Baker & Taylor	Books	538.47
Barnes & Noble	Books	396.64
Business Card	Supplies	109.34
Century Business	Library copier	2134.29
Demco	Supplies	156.34
Garden Gate	Renewal	27.00
Magnolia	1 yr renewal	35.00
Jonathan May	Program	250.00
Carol Vander Kolk	Janitor	60.00

John Fluit, Jr. visited with Council Members about plans for the new community center. Fluit wondered if it would be prudent to save the east half of the community center rather than demolish. Fluit would like to compare costs to renovate vs new construction. PJ Van Engen joined the conversation asking that Council maximize our dollars. Van Engen feels that remodeling the east half of the community center is more feasible. Mayor Bixler responded that the structural engineer advised that a contractor would charge a large sum to remodel.

Barb Hassebroek, representative for ICAP Insurance, presented renewal information for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The premium only increased \$536. Total premium is \$36,977.00 for 2025-2026.

Neil Fluit met with Council Members to discuss the possibility of the City renting property from Neil to relocate city hall and the library. Council feels the space is too small for the library. The rental term would be at least one year. Fluit is willing to work with the City if any changes to the property are needed. The building is ADA compliant.

Jordan Halma met with the Council to visit about several concerns. Halma again questioned the selling of Lot 4, Block 3, Van Regenmorter Subdivision at a reduced price and how the sale was handled. Halma asked why the John Deere tractor is not used to grade alleys rather than hiring a contractor to maintain alleys. When Halma worked for the City, he used the John Deere tractor to blade alleys. Halma requested that trees in alleys be trimmed. Halma wants to have the alleys trimmed on a regular basis. Halma

also discussed miscommunication. Some members on the original Rebuilding Committee for the community center were not included on the newly formed design committee. Members not included were not informed and Halma is disappointed in the way it was handled. Halma asked, "why is it so hard to communicate?" He wants all conversation at Council meetings included in the minutes.

Kenny Scholten, representing the Inwood Community Club, was present to finalize some 4th of July plans. Scholten requested street closures for the evening of the Car Show and on the 4th of July for the demolition derby area.

Motion by Huyser, second by Faber to introduce and move for adoption, Resolution #15-25, Resolution Authorizing the Closing of a Portion of the 100 Block of East Adams Street and the 200, 300, and 400 Blocks of South Main Street during the Annual Car Show on July 2nd, 2025. AYES: Timmerman, Faber, Huyser, Evans, and Rozeboom. NO: none. Resolution #15-25 passed and approved.

Motion by Timmerman, second by Rozeboom to introduce Resolution #16-25, Resolution Authorizing the Closing of a Portion of the 100 and 200 Blocks of South Cherry Street and the Alleys for the 4th of July Celebration. AYES: Timmerman, Faber, Huyser, Evans, and Rozeboom. NO: none. Resolution #16-25 passed and approved.

Mayor Bixler updated Council Members on the Comm Center Design Committee meeting. Architect Eric Oleson met with the committee and presented 5 basic designs. Committee Members reviewed the designs and made suggestions. A community meeting will be scheduled after the final design plan is ready.

Council discussed progress on the North End Subdivision. A purchase agreement is ready for Lots 4 & 5. A Public Hearing will be held at the next Council meeting on Monday, July 14. Motion by Rozeboom, second by Huyser to introduce and move for adoption Resolution #17-25, Resolution Proposing the Disposal of Real Estate to Emily De Jager. Lots 4 & 5 of North End Subdivision will be offered for sale to Emily De Jager for the sum of \$45,000. A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers. AYES: Rozeboom, Evans, Huyser, Faber, and Timmerman. NO: none. Resolution #17-25 passed and approved.

Council discussed options for a City Engineer. In previous years Inwood has worked with a variety of engineering firms, all which have been knowledgeable and helpful. All firms have been great to work with. Mayor Bixler requested that Council determine one main engineering firm to work on all future projects. The benefit of working with one firm is that they will know all aspects of our infrastructure. Following discussion, motion by Rozeboom, second by Faber to work with DGR Engineering as our City Engineer. Carried 5-0.

Council reviewed correspondence with Lyon & Sioux Rural Water System concerning an Addendum to our contract. Two changes are proposed. Our rate per 1000 gallons of water will increase by 35 cents per 1000 gallons effective August 1, 2025. The last rate increase was August 2023. The second change is that provisions in the contract pertaining to the schedule of rates will now be subject to modification annually rather

than every 2 years. Motion by Timmerman, second by Evans to introduce and move for adoption Resolution #18-25, Resolution Approving the Addendum to Water Purchase Contract with Lyon & Sioux Rural Water System. AYES: Timmerman, Faber, Huyser, Evans, and Rozeboom. NO: none. Resolution #18-25 passed and approved.

Motion by Rozeboom, second by Evans to adjourn. Carried 5-0.

Carol Vander Kolk
City Clerk