City of Guttenberg
Regular City Council Meeting
August 11, 2025

The Guttenberg, Iowa City Council met in regular session Monday, August 11, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building City Council Chambers. Mayor Fred Schaub presided with Austin Greve, Michelle Geuder, Jane Parker, Mandy Ludovissy, and Steve Bahls present. Absent: None.

Guests: Derek Chambers, Tim Schmitt, Hillary Friedmann, Jon Lutz, Dan Pierce, Jake and 2 assistants from Anderson Bogert.

Bahls made a motion approve the agenda with change to remove item number 12. Parker seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Greve made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Parker seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approved by Consent Agenda vote:

a) Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting – 07/12/2025
b) Bills & Claims.

58891	ACCESS SYSTEMS	LIBRARY COPIES/CONTRACT	263.93
58892	AFLAC	EMPL SUPLMNTL INS	484.30
58893	AGMERICA LLC	BURN DOWN	3,125.00
58872	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE & INTERNET	1,700.74
58894	ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	82.27
58895	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	2,110.45
58886	AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INS CO	EMPL LIFE INSURANCE	399.50
58896	ANDERSON-BOGERT ENGINEERS	QUIET ZONE STUDY	4,390.00
58898	AUTOTEK GRAPHIC	BUECHEL HILL TRAIL SIGNS	60.00
58897	AUTOTEK SERVICE CENTER, INC	TIRE REPAIR	45.00
58899	AVALON SERVICE CENTER	FLATBED FOR PW TRUCK	7,234.00
58900	BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY BOOKS	106.12
58901	BARD MATERIALS	1" CONC STONE	100.00
58902	BENDER FOODS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	11.57
58887	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS UTILITIES	920.32
58903	BODENSTEINER IMPL. INC	MOWER BLADES	68.91
58873	BROWN'S SALES & LEASING	2025 CHEVY WORK TRUCK	50,185.00
58904	BROWN'S SALES & LEASING	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	1,084.33
58879	BUG BUSTERS	PEST CONTROL	325.00
58905	CATHERINE SIMON	REIMB OP SUPPLIES	25.05
58906	CLAYTON RIDGE SCHOOLS	TURF TANK RENTAL FY25	4,233.33
58874	COCA COLA BOTTLING CO	POOL CONCESSIONS	140.76
58885	COCA COLA BOTTLING CO	POOL CONCESSIONS	736.74
58907	CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTR	GENERATOR MAINTENANCE	9,115.00
58875	CORE MARK	POOL CONCESSIONS	934.43
58908	CULLIGAN	BOTTLED WATER - SHOP	82.50

ACH	DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	VISION/DENTAL INS AUG 25	691.50
58909	DEMCO	BOOK PROCESSING SUPPLIES	210.35
58910	DEREK CHAMBERS	REIMB MILEAGE	337.09
58911	DIAMOND MAPS	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL	420.00
58912	DOLLAR GENERAL-REGIONS 410526	OPERATING SUPPLIES	83.10
58880	EDGEWOOD AUTO & TIRE	VEHICLE REPAIRS	11,222.82
58913	EDGEWOOD AUTO & TIRE	VEHICLE REPAIRS	3,392.17
ACH	EFTPS	SS & FED WITHHOLDINGS	23,510.37
ACH	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	HRA FEES	3,663.03
58914	EUROFINS ENVIR TESTING NC,LLC	WASTEWATER TESTING	658.54
58915	FASSBINDER SMALL ENGINES	OPERATING SUPPLIES	109.44
58881	GALLS, ARAMARK CO	POLICE UNIFORMS	583.91
58889	GARNAVILLO OIL, INC	FUEL	839.75
58916	GUTTENBERG PRESS, INC	PUBLICATIONS/NOTICES	435.07
58918	GUTTENBERG RETAILERS	EMPLOYEE SAFETY INCENTIVES	335.00
58917	GUTTENBERG TOURISM & DEV.	BUDGETED MONTHLY DONATION	1,666.67
58919	HAWKINS, INC	CHEMICALS	2,300.17
58920	HEFEL PORTABLE SERVICES, LLC	PORTABLE RESTROOMS	890.00
58921	IA ASSOC OF MUNI UTILITIES	MUNEE BUCK$$ REBATE PROGRAM	84.00
ACH	IA DEPT REVENUE	WITHHOLDING TAXES – JULY 25	2,078.80
58922	IA DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	NPDES ANNUAL FEE - WWTR	210.00
58923	IA ONE CALL	LINE LOCATES	54.90
58924	IA PRISON INDUSTRIES	WARNING SIGN/POSTS/GOLF CART STCKR	454.40
ACH	IPERS	IPERS JULY 25	13,171.12
58876	J & R SUPPLY INC	MARKING PAINT	396.00
58927	J & R SUPPLY INC	RED MARKING FLAGS	310.28
58925	JAMIE BLUME	REIMB MILEAGE	82.60
58882	JEFF FRIEDLEIN	GABION STONE - PARK	117.22
58926	JOSH ANDEREGG	BURIAL	637.50
58877	KARI HOYHEIM	CAFE PLAN REIMB FY26	520.00
58883	KLUESNER CONSTRUCTION, INC	COLD MIX	1,200.00
58928	KLUESNER SANITATION, LLC	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	14,047.36
58929	KUEMPEL HARDWARE INC	MOP HEAD	724.40
58930	LIBRARY IDEAS LLC	FREEGAL MUSIC - LIBRARY	1,291.50
58931	MEUSER LUMBER CO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	15.57
58932	MEYER COLLISION & SERVICE CNTR	VEHICLE REPAIRS	592.41
58933	MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC.	TESTING - WTR	76.25
58934	MIDLAND OVERHEAD DOORS	OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIRS	267.74
58878	MOSER MECHANICAL	INSTALL HOSE SPIGOT	340.00
58935	NAPA AUTO PARTS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	364.88
58936	OVERDRIVE INC	BRIDGES E-BOOK CONTENT FEE	736.08
58937	POOL TECH INC	POOL CHEMICALS	2,594.08
58938	RANDY BACKES	UTILITY OVERPAYMENT	6.10
58939	RELIABLE TECHNOLOGY INC	COMPUTER ACCESS ISSUES	62.50

58890	RESALE POWER GROUP OF IOWA	WHOLESALE POWER/SUBSTATION RNT	210,286.64
58940	SCHUMANN REPAIR LLC	VEHICLE REPAIRS	110.25
58941	SCHUSTER, MICK & FRIEDMANN	LEGAL FEES	1,409.25
58942	SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO	WHITE STREET PAINT	606.59
58943	SJ ELECTRO SYSTEMS INC.	ICONTROL SUBSCRIPTION - JAS	321.00
58944	STEVE MILLER	MOWING/TRIMMING	3,800.00
58945	STOREY KENWORTHY	LASER A/P CHECKS	484.00
58946	TERRY DURIN CO	STREET LIGHT PROJECT ITEMS	5,216.25
58947	TUJETSCH AGENCY	INSURANCE COVERAGE FY26	124,899.00
58948	UNIVERSAL ELECTRIC SUPPLY	ELECTRIC SUPPLIES	18.22
58949	UPPER EXPL REG PLANNING COMM	FY26 CITY CLERKS MEETING FEES	25.00
58949	UPPER EXPL REG PLANNING COMM	EECBG FC GRANT ADMIN	265.65
58888	US CELLULAR	CELLPHONES/TABLETS/HOT SPOTS	542.65
58950	UTILITIES	UTILITIES	15,925.51
58863	UTILITY SERVICE CO., INC.	QTLY MAINT - WTR TOWER	3,554.61
58864	VENTURA PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY BOOKS	33.92
58865	VERMEER SALES & SERVICE,INC	KEYS FOR CHIPPER	25.05
58866	VFC DISTRIBUTORS	BULK SOFTENER SALT	6,478.72
58867	WASHINGTON NAT'L INS CO.	EMPL SUPPLEMENTAL INS	524.70
58951	WASHINGTON NAT'L INS CO.	EMPL SUPLMNTL INS	524.70
58868	WATER ME GREEN	SPRINKLER HEAD REPLACEMENT	130.00
58869	WEIKERT CONTRACTING, INC.	CENTER LINE STRIPING	4,833.00
58884	WELLMARK BC/BS OF IOWA	HEALTH INSURANCE AUG 2025	20,972.73
58870	WELLS FARGO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	4,841.52
58952	WELLS FARGO	OPERATING SUPPLIES	9,230.47
58871	XPLORE GUTTENBERG. LLC	AMMO/SUPPLIES	304.90

c) Financial Reports for July 2025.
d) Department Reports.
e) Resolution No. 3463-25, A Resolution to Approve Official Appointments.
f) Simplified Renewal for Class B Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service for Landing 615 Inc. d/b/a Landing 615 pending application.

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HEARING OF DELEGATIONS: Tim Schmitt spoke regarding prayer before the meeting. Discussion on legal cases against cities that pray and counter suits for prayer. Asked to be placed on the council agenda next month.

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Parker made a motion to set the public hearing date regarding ordinance update consideration for Chapter 110 Natural Gas Franchise. Public Hearing date will be September 08, 2025 at 6pm. Bahls seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussed council consideration of approving amendment 1 to the Agreement for Professional Services for the South River Park Drive Drainage and Storm Sewer Improvements Project. Discussed preliminary project estimate around $400,000, bid around January, amendment to agreement total for 3 stages: $40,000. Discussion on school vs City portions. Discussion on grants - would extending the time line and potentially increase costs with restrictions placed by

some grants. Bahls made a motion to approve amendment. Ludovissy seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussed City Attorney retirement and replacement. Mike Schuster will be retiring as City Attorney as of September 1, 2025. Parker made a motion to approve Resolution No. 3464-25, A Resolution to Approve Official Appointment of Hillary Friedmann as the City Attorney. Bahls seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Jane Parker has been questioned by residents on water fluoridation. Dan Pierce, Public Works Director spoke on the history. Guttenberg water has a normal balance of .2 to .3ppm of fluoride and add a small amount (equivalent of 1 drop per 50 gallons of water) to achieve .7 ppm. Answers to questions on health benefits vs issues vary based on the field of the experts asked. Council discussed asking for resident/end user input on continuing or eliminating fluoridation. Research on other cities that are or aren't adding and Department of Health and other entities. Bahls made a motion to table for further research. Ludovissy seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Jake with Anderson Bogert and assistants Max and Elizabeth were present to discuss the Quiet Zone Study. Shared background information and summary of study, discussed recommendations with Council. Recommend using this study in conjunction with long term planning to ensure future projects align with improvements the Council would like to implement for quiet zones and safety improvements at railroad crossings.

Parker made a motion to approve the Chamber of Commerce's Special Event request for the Smoke Off that will be held on September 06, 2025 in the 400 Block of South River Park Drive. Geuder seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussed curb issues at 510 S. First St. Yellow paint in 4 foot sections has been added to the 2 areas identified as potential entry points to the sidewalk and a recommendation to add small sections of railing to those 2 points was discussed. Bahls made a motion to approve purchasing and installing railings for two spots. Parker seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Parker made a motion to approve Adam Clauson for Volunteer Firefighter pending the Fire Department's approval. Ludovissy seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussed legislative changes. Parker made a motion to approve ordinance updates recommended by IA Codification. Ludovissy seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussed Brandie Tomkins request for a Sewer Adjustment due to a water leak. Public works staff and contractor assisting in leak were consulted and confirmed that water did not enter the sewer system. Ludovissy made a motion to approve request. Parker seconded. Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Reports:

- Fire Chief.

- Chief of Police: Discussed electric scooters, Police Department will be more diligent and talk to kids and their parents about violations and safety concerns.
- Mayor Report: None.
- Chamber Report: None.
- Council Report: None

Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm. Bahls seconded. Council Vote: Ayes: Greve, Ludovissy, Parker, Bahls, Geuder. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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Fred Schaub, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jamie Blume, City Manager