

CITY OF POMEROY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
February 11, 2026

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Call to Order: called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Cynthia Loots.

Roll Call: B Hinners, D DeVore, B Thoma, C Charleston and M Becker. Absent: none.

Pledge of Allegiance

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor Loots stated Katrina Thomas, the assistant librarian, is interested in more hours. When she helps in city hall or helps with mowing, she would like the council to consider an \$18.00/hr. wage since that is what the city has paid temporary workers in the past.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by C Charleston seconded by M Becker to approve the agenda. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

CONSENT AGENDA: B Thoma made a motion, seconded by D DeVore, to approve the consent agenda: financials, minutes, requests, reports and bill list. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Water/Sewer/Streets: D Koval stated they have been organizing and fine tuning the water plant. They have erected shelving to organize inventory in the water plant. The Council discussed utility rates for water, sewer, garbage and landfill.

Park/Cemetery/Library/Comm. Center/Gym: Mayor Loots stated the gym committee has a meeting on the 25th. The Council discussed the move to the Church and possible locations inside the church for City Hall. A motion was made by D DeVore seconded M Becker to approve the bid from Dana Garrett for remodeling the men's bathroom at the church for \$1,677.51 by making it ADA accessible. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried. The Council agreed to return the deposit for the Shelter House this month.

Building Permit: The Council discussed a preliminary building permit for a house at 414 - 418 S Ontario St. Mayor Loots requested flag outlining the building layout be placed in the lot before the March 23rd Council meeting when the building permit will be submitted.

Nuisance/abandoned Property: The Council discussed the 2026 nuisance property list of nuisances and abandoned properties. B Thoma stated he purchased 303 E Elm St. and discussed his plans for the property. The Council did not remove the abandonment case on the property at this time. It was agreed that B Thoma was to follow the same timeline given to T Anderson of Aurora 168 LLC, by Mayor Loots. The city wants a progress update by May 31 and by July 31 there should be renovation activity showing progress on the house located at 303 E. Elm St.

Police Dept: There were 22 calls for service. Chief Gerdes asked the Council to split a bill for taking a stray cat to the vet. The Council discussed the number of mature animals allowed per household and agreed to three, grandfathering in those households who currently have more. Chief Gerdes submitted a letter regarding her retirement next year and a possible alternative work arrangement beginning in January. The Council will discuss the letter and plans for the position during employee reviews.

Fire Dept: D DeVore gave an update on the department and stated they were having biscuits and gravy on Saturday. A motion was made by B Thoma seconded by B Hinners to approve Colten Cope as a new member to the fire department. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City Hall: The Council asked D Koval to post for sale signs in the commercial lots on Main St. and have City Clerk Juilfs list them on the city website. City Clerk Juilfs stated there will be a public hearing on March 10th at the Board of Supervisors meeting for the county vacating S Main St. to the city. Once S

Main St is giving to the City, the City can move forward with annexing S Essing and K Klocko properties into City limits. A motion was made by D DeVore seconded by B Hinners to approve Resolution #450 approving library wage increases. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried. B Thoma asked what the Council's expectation was to remove the abandonment case off of 303 E Elm St. The Council asked for an update at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:13 P.M.

CAL CO JOURNAL HERALD	Cncl Min1-12 Ord#246	\$ 532.78
HAWKINS WATER T	Azone 15	\$ 1,436.25
WINDSTREAM	Telephone	\$ 633.05
NWC	CH Internet & Lib Phone	\$ 154.84
NC IA	5 weeks packers.qrt asst	\$ 1,872.44
WELLMARK	Health Ins	\$ 6,829.76
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTE	GARNISHMENT	\$ 461.54
MIDAMERICAN ENE	Electricity	\$ 2,650.03
GRAY SANITATION	243 Garbage Services	\$ 2,483.50
US POST MASTER	Water Bills & Stamps	\$ 251.24
IPERS	IPERS	\$ 2,913.97
FIRST COMMUNITY BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 6,078.62
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET Tax	\$ 1,499.13
IA ONE CALL	18 emails	\$ 21.60
CAL CO TREASURER	64 Tons Salt & Sand	\$ 3,072.00
CITY OF POMEROY	Record Min Assess agreement	\$ 47.00
IMFOA	Annual Membership	\$ 50.00
MENARDS	4-shelf supplies water plant	\$ 939.23
MANSON SWANSON	Air hose reel x2 water plant	\$ 586.07
BOOK SYS INC	Atrium	\$ 934.00
CAL CO LANDFILL AUTHO	24/25 Landfill Assessments	\$ 38.10
UTILITY SERVICE CO., INC	Qrt Payment Water Tower	\$ 3,934.67
ABSTRACT SERVICES OF CAL	Written report Winters	\$ 190.00
WERNIMONT ELECTRIC & CONS	Boom Trk Fee xmas lights	\$ 150.00
ESSING JUDY	2hrs cleaning & supplies	\$ 57.86
USA BLUE BOOK	Testing supplies	\$ 133.28
BADGER METER, INC.	Mobile Read/Annual Lic host	\$ 820.57
ACCESS SYSTEMS	Main Cont	\$ 154.89
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	Dental Ins	\$ 415.14
HARTFORD	Life.short.long.dis Ad/d	\$ 161.72
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	Drinking water	\$ 75.00
J & K LEASING LLC	Rent	\$ 1,530.00
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	Double Window Envelopes	\$ 100.21
BMO HARRIS BANK	Books.Painting Sup.Ink.snacks	\$ 715.63
UPPER DES MOINES OPPORTUY	UPMO services	\$ 100.00
AUREON	Firewall Sys	\$ 50.60
LAW OFFICE OF GEORGE BLAK	Abandoment.infraction	\$ 1,765.00
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 01/21/2026	\$ 7,750.19
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 02/04/2026	\$ 6,823.77
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$ 58,413.68
	GENERAL FUND	\$ 22,433.55
	ROAD USE FUND	\$ 6,056.84
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND	\$ 7,406.62
	WATER FUND	\$ 15,278.78
	SEWER FUND	\$ 7,237.89

Total Revenues for Jan: General Fund \$63,391.97 Special Revenue \$12,885.76 and Utility Funds \$27,960.11 Total Rev. \$104,237.84

Cynthia Loots Mayor

Sarah Juilfs City Clerk