

CITY OF POMEROY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
March 9, 2026

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Call to Order: called to order at 6:00 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 attended the Iowa League of Cities Local Leaders Day in Des Moines with the state legislatures. They talked about property tax reform and the negative effects it would have on smaller rural cities due to the higher population of individuals over 60 years of age. Mayor Loots stated the City was awarded \$25,050 for the Grow Green County Grant for new flooring and electrical upgrades at the Catholic Church. She also met with Ben Wozniak, who started a new woodworking business in Rockwell City. He looked at the selves at the Library for the Catholic Church move and stated the selves would fit in the church.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by D DeVore 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: Joni Gerdes stated her and Ben Olson recently visited Iowa Central and the capital with the Calhoun County Leadership Development program. She stated that part of the leadership program includes a county wide service project and will update the Council on that later. D Roese and Mark Passow asked why the Shelter House rentals were on the agenda. City Clerk Juilfs stated that was for the Council to review and return deposits were needed and that she would change the name from rentals to deposits on future agendas. S Espinoza at 409 Ontario St. discussed with the Council his building permit but acknowledged he didn't get it on the agenda in time for a Council vote. The permit will be on a future meeting for approval.

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 clarified the rules for building next to the lagoon but The City still needed to look into how close you could build next to the City burn pile. D Koval stated the DNR will conduct their routine inspection of the water plant on March 24th. D Koval said they are investigating repair of the rainwater tile line causing flooding at the Union Cemetery. L Danneman had asked to be on the agenda to request the extra sewer charge on his utility bill be removed, as there was a water leak in the shop, which leaked onto a dirt floor. A motion was made by B Thoma seconded by C Charleston to credit L Danneman's sewer bill to just charge the minimum rate for sewer. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Park/Cemetery/Library/Comm. Center/Gym: Mayor Loots stated the committee updated the fundraising letter and added an ACH option for donations. The Council discussed renaming the catholic church and the rental fees for the church. The Council discussed the budget and location ideas for the Homecoming fireworks. Mayor Loots gave an update on the library and stated they did not get the CCCF grant request for library shelving, although \$5,000 of their \$10,000 request was added into the Grow Green County Grant since she had only asked for \$20,000 in her grant writing for the electrical and flooring upgrades.

Nuisance/abandoned Property: The Council discussed abandoned properties and the use of condemnation for houses without water. A motion was made by D DeVore seconded by C Charleston to dismiss the abandonment case on 303 E Elm St. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried. B Thoma abstained from voting due to conflict of interest.

Police Dept: There were 21 calls for service.

Fire Dept: D DeVore gave an update on the department and recent calls. The department voted to take the \$12,000 donation and add \$8,000 from their checking account to invest in a CD. He stated that the Pomeroy Rural Fire Department approved purchasing a new tanker/pumper truck for \$110,000 or up to \$120,000 which would hold a larger capacity of water supply.

City Hall: The Council discussed the City Hall location in the church. The Council discussed the salary and filling in at the city for the library assistant K Thomas. The Council did not make any changes in wages at this time due to giving her health insurance but will look at jobs she could do on an “as needed basis” to help the maintenance or park department. Iowa Codification is compiling the changes to the City Code, then the Council will review and start the adoption process. The Council reviewed the ICAP insurance renewal and City Clerk Juilfs will submit it to Hopkins Insurance. A public hearing date for the FY27 proposed property tax levy was set for March 23rd at 5:30P.M. A motion was made by M Becker seconded by D DeVore to approve Dollar generals liquor license. Roll call: Ayes: B Hinners, B Thoma, C Charleston, M Becker and D DeVore. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:25 P.M.

CASEYS	4 DEPT'S GAS CREDIT CRDS	\$ 160.00
CAL CO JOURNAL HERALD	Cncl Min 1-27 2-3 2-11	\$ 197.01
WESTERN IOWA EQUIP	clamps	\$ 4.78
HAWKINS WATER T	Azone 15	\$ 770.76
WINDSTREAM	Telephone & Internet Shop Pump	\$ 332.62
NWC	Lib & CH internet phone	\$ 156.81
NC IA	4 weeks packers	\$ 2,141.81
WELLMARK	Health Ins	\$ 7,562.10
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTE	GARNISHMENT	\$ 461.54
MIDAMERICAN ENE	Electricity	\$ 2,566.20
GRAY SANITATION	246 Garbage Services	\$ 2,506.00
US POST MASTER	Water Bills & Stamps	\$ 256.12
IPERS	IPERS	\$ 2,957.77
FIRST COMMUNITY BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$ 4,232.55
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET Tax Feb	\$ 1,527.14
FS NEW CENTURY	LP-FS. #1 Dyed 87 Unld Gas	\$ 3,176.86
MANSON SWANSON	Fire supplies. waterplant	\$ 102.70
GERDES LORIE	Galls-police shirt	\$ 201.11
USA BLUE BOOK	Testing supplies	\$ 261.84
WOODS SUPERMARKET	Lib Water /chili supplies	\$ 27.82
ACCESS SYSTEMS	Main Cont	\$ 128.89
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	Dental Ins	\$ 431.76
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	Coliforms testing & Nitrite	\$ 75.00
J & K LEASING LLC	Rent	\$ 1,530.00
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	Checks	\$ 201.81
BMO HARRIS BANK	IMFOA.Micro365.OntheClock	\$ 430.48
AUREON	Firewall	\$ 101.20
GOPHER'S GARAGE LLC	Used wheel. mount tire	\$ 141.24
CROTTY YVETTE	46-Miles	\$ 32.20
QUILL	paper.phone.headset	\$ 331.25
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 02/18/2026	\$ 7,665.15
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CHECKS ON 03/01/2026	\$ 7,022.78
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$ 47,695.30
	GENERAL FUND	\$ 19,727.02
	ROAD USE FUND	\$ 4,669.20
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND	\$ 7,993.86
	WATER FUND	\$ 8,905.31
	SEWER FUND	\$ 6,399.91

Total Revenues for Feb: General Fund \$10,912.83 Special Revenue \$9,656.82 and Utility Funds \$28,413.91 Total Rev. \$48,983.56

Cynthia Loots Mayor

Sarah Juilfs City Clerk