

# CITY COUNCIL

## JANUARY 5, 2026

The Jesup City Council met in a regular council meeting on Monday, January 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in Jesup City Hall Council Chambers, 791 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Jesup, Iowa.

Mayor James Masteller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members were present: Denny Bell, Cindy Gosse, Andrew Hamilton and Merritt Jones.

Absent: Craig Wright.

Mayor Masteller appointed Cindy Gosse as the Mayor Pro-tem.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Hamilton, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4:0.

Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Gosse, to approve the consent agenda and adopt the following items on the consent agenda: 1. Approve the minutes of December 15, 2025, regular city council meeting. 2. Approve the claims and give directions to pay. 3. Approve the liquor license application – Dollar General. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Gosse, Hamilton, Jones. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

### CLAIMS PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR JANUARY 5, 2026

#### WARRANTS WRITTEN SINCE THE DECEMBER 15, 2025, MEETING:

Accounts Payable	Payroll ACH - 12-26-2025	21,286.72
IPERS	City and employee share, retirement	8,795.59
Farmers State Bank	Payroll taxes - Federal, Medicare, Social Security	6,353.02
Treasurer, State of Iowa	State payroll withholding tax	1,418.13
AFLAC	Employee Paid Insurance	101.84
Wellmark	City and employee share, Health Insurance	10,655.04
Hartford Life Insurance	Life Insurance	150.00
Delta Dental	Dental/Vision	845.28
Employee Benefit Systems	Claims processing/self-funding	244.11
Iowa Workforce Development	Unemployment 4th Quarter	38.86

#### CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR JANUARY 5, 2026:

AMAZON	CLEATS/BOOKS/TONER - AMB, LIB, PD	354.98
AMERICAN LEGION	SERVICE AGREEMENT	400.00
BADGER METER	BEACON HOSTING SERVICE - WA	134.20
BOUND TREE	MEDICAL SUPPLIES - AMB	1,712.00
BUCHANAN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER	SERVICE AGREEMENT	300.00
CEDAR CREST CEMETERY	SERVICE AGREEMENT	500.00
CITY LAUNDERING	MATS, MOPS, RAGS, TOWELS-CH, ST, WA, WW	182.03
CORNERSTONE CONST	POWER VENT/CATWALK – LIB	5,100.00
CORKERY PAINT	POWDER COATING – PK	250.52
CRAIG PARKER	LEASE-PARKER MUNCEY	1.00
DAVID BECKER ELECTRIC	ELECTRIC INSTALL - PK	709.75
DEBRA PHILLIPS	REFUND RENTAL FEE - CH	100.00
DOLLYWOOD FOUNDATION	IMAGINATION LIBRARY - FOL	2,500.00
DON'S TRUCK	OIL/FILTERS/BULBS/ASSEMBLY - AMB, ST	992.15
EARL STEINBRON	ACCESS ROAD	150.00
FARMERS MUTUAL	TELEPHONE - ALL	710.41
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING	HMAO CERT/FIRE SCHOOL - FD	550.00
GAMETIME	PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT - ARPA	2,315.69
GORDON FLESCH	TELEPHONE/COPIER - ALL	5,771.49
HOME DEPOT	LADDER/BOLTS/NUTS - CH, PK, WA	827.86
INDEPENDENCE FOOD PANTRY	SERVICE AGREEMENT	500.00
INDEPENDENCE PLUMBING	AIR INTAKE - LIB	120.00

INGRAM	LIBRARY BOOKS - LIB	166.21
IOWA DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY	FY26 2ND QTR MACH - PD	300.00
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC	IFA/MUTUAL AID DUES - FD	1,232.00
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOC	ANNUAL DUES - LIB	120.00
IPCA	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - PD	125.00
JESUP FARMERS DAY	LEASE OF PROPERTY	1,200.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	GAS/ELECTRIC - ALL	9,136.14
OELWEIN PUBLISHING	DECEMBER 15 MINUTES	215.95
OPERATION THRESHOLD	SERVICE AGREEMENT	700.00
OVERDRIVE	EBOOKS/AUDIO BOOKS - LIB	628.34
PCC PHYSICIAN'S CLAIMS CO	ELECTRONIC CLAIMS FEES - AMB	566.89
PREMIER TECHNOLOGY	MONTHLY IT SERVICE - CH, PD, WA, WW	605.70
SERVPRO	MOLD REMEDIATION - LIB	8,500.00
ST. ATHANASIUS	SERVICE AGREEMENT	500.00
STATE CHEMICAL SOLUTIONS	WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROGRAM	178.21
STOREY KENWORTHY	ENVELOPE/SOAP/TOISSUE PAPER - ALL	406.85
TONIES	TONIES - LIB	192.00
UNIFIRST	MATS/CLOTHS - LIB	43.58
USA BLUEBOOK	TNT/TEST STRIPS - WW	448.94
VISA	ADOBE/FLAGS/DW CERT/CRICUT - ALL	1,673.32
TOTAL		51,121.21

### **CITIZEN INPUT**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Lucas Elsbernd, Fehr Graham, spoke regarding the change order for the Prospect & Hopkins Streets Improvement project. Elsbernd stated the increase of nine working days to the contract is due to the subgrade on Prospect Street being soft and not suitable for supporting the new street. Hamilton questioned why this change order was not brought to the council earlier. Jones questioned if core samples were taken for the project. Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Gosse, to approve change order #3 for the Prospect & Hopkins Streets Improvement Project. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Hamilton, Gosse, Jones. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Bell, to approve **Resolution No. 2026-32** RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT #7 - FOR THE PROSPECT & HOPKINS STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT in the amount of \$63,363.85. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Jones, Hamilton, Gosse. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Gosse, seconded by Hamilton, to appoint Andy Trumbauer as Jesup Fire Chief. Motion carried 4:0.

Motion by Jones, seconded by Gosse, to appoint Kim Lingenfelter as Jesup Ambulance Chief. Bell questioned the status of approving the ambulance by-laws. Motion carried 4:0.

Reid Barko spoke regarding an Eagle Scout project. The project would consist of planting trees at the Veterans Park. Motion by Jones, seconded by Hamilton, to approve an Eagle Scout project to plant trees at the Veterans Park. Roll Call: Ayes: Hamilton, Bell, Jones, Gosse. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

Motion by Bell, seconded by Hamilton, to approve **Resolution No. 2026-33** RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIRING OF A PART TIME POLICE OFFICER AND SETTING THE SALARY, subject to a completed and signed application. Roll Call: Ayes: Bell, Gosse, Jones, Hamilton. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

Lucas Elsbernd, Fehr Graham, spoke regarding the engineering agreement for painting the interior and exterior of the water tower. Attorney Prendergast questioned the engineer about possible problems with this project. Prendergast has concerns about the amount of liability insurance. This agreement states that Fehr Graham will maintain a minimum liability insurance policy of at least \$500,000.00 for professional services. Prendergast would like this amount to be \$750,000.00.

Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Gosse, to approve an engineering agreement with Fehr Graham for painting the water tower, subject to the liability insurance amount changed to \$750,000.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Gosse, Jones, Bell, Hamilton. Nays: None. Motion carried 4:0.

Mayor Masteller spoke regarding setting up a council workshop to discuss future visions and goals of the council. Motion by Gosse, seconded by Jones, to set January 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. as a council workshop.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Bell, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 4:0. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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Koley Mead  
City Clerk