

City of Granger  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 8, 2023

Mayor James opened the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 2200 Walnut Street, Granger, Iowa, 50109.

Roll Call: Present: Backous, Brandt, Danilson, Saak      Not Present: Bermel

Backous made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Bermel arrived at 7:01 p.m.

Jason Engnell with Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc. would like to amend the Agreement for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal due to the increase in landfill fees. The City Council would like to defer to the July City Council meeting.

City Building Official Update – The update for this property will be deferred to the July City Council meeting.

City Engineer Report - Ironwood Estates Plat 4 – The Plan and Zoning Commission's recommendation to the City Council is to approve the Preliminary Plat of Ironwood Estates Plat 4 subject to determining the park land requirements and street width requirements. Action on Resolution 2023-19 – approving Preliminary Plat for Ironwood Estates Plat 4 subject to widening Birch and Spruce Streets to 28' instead of 26" was approved by Brandt, seconded by Danilson. 4 Ayes, 1 Naye. MADD, LLC Development will be submitting a Preliminary Plat for the July City Council meeting.

City Administrator Report – There will be a meeting with Story Construction and Atura to finalize plans on the Public Safety Building. Action on Resolution 2023-20 – fixing July 13, 2023, for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligations of the City thereunder was approved by Danilson, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes. Action to approve Traffic Speed Feedback signs and authorize the Mayor to sign IDOT Traffic Control Device Application was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes. Discussion on long range traffic and streets plan and appointment of the Mayor, Council member Brandt, Council member Danilson, Public Works and the City Administrator to the Long-Range Planning Committee by the Mayor was approved by Brandt, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes. Action on Resolution 2023-21 – assenting to the Annexation of Certain Real Estate to the City of Granger, Iowa (Finestead/Bice Annexation) was approved by Brandt, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

Police Report – The Police had 77 calls in May: 1 911 hang-up; 2 alarms; 3 animal complaints; 8 agency assists; 3 civil disputes; 1 domestic; 5 disturbances; 1 drug investigation; 2 fires; 1 follow-up investigation; 1 harassment/threat; 1 illegal burn; 9 medical/ambulance trips; 2 motor vehicle PD/PI; 1 noise complaint; 1 open door; 1 ordinance violation; 5 public assists/child custody exchanges; 3 return phone calls; 9 suspicious; 1 theft/scam; 9 traffic complaints; 2 traffic stops; and 5 welfare checks.

Fire Report – The Fire Department had 17 calls for May: 2 canceled in route; 1 brush fire; 5 motor vehicle accidents; 1 water rescue; 5 hazmat/natural gas; and 3 others. Action to approve the hiring of Jacob Eslick as paid volunteer firefighter (pending background check and drug screen results) was approved by Brandt, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

EMS Report – The Granger EMS Department has a new branding image. The new branding material will be used as identity markers, promotional material, digital marketing material, recruitment efforts and for public education efforts to inform the community about who they are and how they operate. The EMS Chief Magill mentioned there are 15 POC/in town staff members and 9 PT staff members. For FY 2024 the goal is to increase recruitment to acquire 3 PT Paramedics and continue to promote in town staffing. Action to approve pay scale increases for Certified Drivers to \$16/hr; EMT to \$18/hr; and Paramedics to \$22/hr effective July 1, 2023, was approved by Saak, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes. Action to approve 3% raises for PT staff also effective July 1, 2023, was approved by Saak, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Parks and Recreation Report – The equipment has been removed from the 4.4 acres. Discussing options on how to get the space ready for U14 soccer. Working with Public Works to remove the posts at Centennial Park. The current soccer field will be getting fertilized in order to thicken and green back up before the Fall. Registrations are open for adult coed softball; fall bags league; morning yoga; bam bam; youth soccer; flag football; youth volleyball; Sylvan Learning camps; BOT labs; Start Smart Study Skills (grade 5-8); and Advanced Reading Skills (grades 8-12). The fundraising account is at \$683.13. Casino Night is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup> – watch for details. Partners of the Parks has new leadership and is ready to start fundraising this summer. The Iowa Living Roadway Trust Fund Grant has been submitted. If received, it will be used to purchase an UTV for Parks and Recreation use.

Action on Ordinance No. 415 – amending Chapter 92 – Water Rates of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Granger, Iowa, first reading was approved by Brandt, seconded by Backous. All Ayes. Brandt made a motion to waive the second and third readings, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

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Action to approve the following raises for full-time and part-time staff effective July 1, 2023: Brett Armstrong - \$64,727.86; Kirk Bjorland - \$93,712.50; Joe Cox - \$78,087.42; Karen Erikson - \$24/hr; Hunter Heard - \$25/hr; Jennifer Johnson - \$22.05/hr; Eric McLaughlin - \$29.77/hr; Aaron Mullins - \$85,168.30; Nick Obernolte - \$29/hr; Harriet Peterson - \$26.10/hr; Mindy Schultz - \$16.86/hr; Kristy Trzeciak - \$30.63/hr; Georgina Valle Razo - \$18.59/hr; and Jeri Wendzel - \$17.70/hr was approved by Brandt, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Action to approve insurance renewal with Wellmark effective July 1, 2023, was approved by Brandt, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Action to set the Plan and Zoning Commission meeting for Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 6 p.m. and the Public Hearing amending zoning code regarding storage in C-3 District for Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 7 p.m. was approved by Brandt, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

The Mayor and City Council received and reviewed the Auditor of State's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Finance Committee member Backous reported that everything is in order. Action to approve the Finance Committee Report was approved by Brandt and seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Action to approve the bills for payment was approved by Brandt and seconded by Bermel. All Ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Tony James, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kristy Trzeciak, City Clerk

**JUNE 2023 CLAIMS**  
**DESCRIPTION**

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
A!A Central Iowa	OGIO Motion Duffel	\$ 1,631.43
A!A Central Iowa	Station Coats/5.11 Stryke Pants/GEMS Patches/New Employee Clothing Pkgs/5.11 Job Shirts	
	Member Allowances	\$ 5,029.78
A!A Central Iowa	Gildan Heavy Cotton T-shirts	\$ 1,392.32
Access Systems	IT Support	\$ 548.01
Access Systems Leasing	Copier Lease + Usage	\$ 506.43
Access Systems Leasing	Server Lease	\$ 248.52
Acco	Pumping Tube #7 for S Series	\$ 154.75
Agsourc Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 697.50
Agsourc Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 141.50
Agsourc Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 252.00
Agsourc Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 349.50
Ahlers & Cooney, PC	Fareway URP	\$ 99.00
Amazon Business	Ethernet Cable	\$ 19.99
Amazon Business	910XL Ink Cartridges	\$ 139.98
Amazon Business	Cottonelle Toilet Paper	\$ 52.88
Amazon Business	Industrial Hose Reel/Stand White Board	\$ 476.95
Amazon Business	Dunkin' Hazelnut Flavored Coffee Kcup Pods/French Vanilla Kcup Pods	\$ 63.02
Amazon Business	Ventilation Air Vent	\$ 11.99
Amazon Business	Trash Bin	\$ 60.99
American Response Vehicles	ARV Change Order Performed by AEV	\$ 1,500.00
Background Investigation Bureau	Background Checks - Myers	\$ 14.45
Badger Meter	Beacon Mobile Hosting Serv for May 2023	\$ 49.32
Banleaco	Folder/Inserter Lease	\$ 154.22
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 609.84
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 299.31
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 452.04
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 576.63
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 239.25

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Barnes & Noble	Family Game/Codenames/Card Game/Big Book of Wordsearch/Ty Beanie Boos/Hot Wheels/ Legos/Fidget Cubes/EGC Certs	\$ 636.61
Barnes & Noble	Mini Brain Games	\$ 33.60
Barnes & Noble	EGC Certs/Hot Wheels/Desktop Games/Ty Beanie Boos	\$ 185.65
Barnes & Noble	Mini Brain Games/Cribbage Classic	\$ 95.97
Bilbo, Jessica	Chair Yoga	\$ 45.00
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Bjorland, Kirk	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Blacktop Service Company	Asphalt Crack Filling	\$ 36,500.00
Bomgaars	Grass Seed Mix Wetlands Project	\$ 162.50
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	ALS Training Equipment	\$ 4,977.26
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Curaplex 8" Extension Set	\$ 56.70
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Doppler L250 Probe	\$ 969.99
Broad Design Co.	Granger Public Safety Brand Design Package	\$ 1,000.00
Broad Design Co.	Granger Fire Department Brand Design Package	\$ 1,200.00
Brown, Fagen & Rouse	Legal Serv for June 2023	\$ 2,800.00
Capital City Equipment	Hydraulic Gear Assembly	\$ 1,529.61
Capital City Equipment	Air Filters/Oil Filters/Mower Blades	\$ 596.12
Casey's Business MasterCard	Fuel	\$ 2,157.43
CJ Cooper & Associates	Drug Screening - Manning/Myers	\$ 140.00
Clive Power Equipment	Stihl Weed Trimmer	\$ 288.00
Culligan Water of Adel	Bottled Water + Cooler Rental	\$ 45.29
D&K Products	Futerra F4 Netless/Ignition Lawn Mix Blend/Blanket Staples	\$ 479.00
Dallas Co. ISU Extension	Babysitting Class Instructor Payment	\$ 280.00
Demco	3d Filament Translucent Spools/3D Printer/3D Printer Cartridges/Laminator Film Rolls/ DryLam Element Series 27" Professional Laminator System	\$ 8,283.84
Demco	Bookmarks/Laminate Glossy Roll/Stand Laser Labels/Double Stacked Bar Code Labels	\$ 170.96
Demco	Polyfit 8-1/2" x19-1/2" Jacket Length	\$ 32.84
Derner, Robyn	Reim for Parks & Rec Chacuterie Board Class	\$ 70.00
Electric Pump	UV System Repair	\$ 396.75
ESO Solutions, Inc.	Fire Personnel Management/ESO Fire Incidents/EHR Cad Integration 6/7/23-6/6/24	\$ 3,359.66
Frank Smith Law Office	Annexation Matter Professional Services	\$ 1,549.60
Friedrichsen, Linda	Yoga Instruction	\$ 140.00
Get Some Guns, LLC	Boots - Armstrong	\$ 133.00
Granger Motors	Oil Change & Tire Rotation	\$ 95.64
Hach Company	Ferover, Iron Reagent/DPD Tot Chlorine/DPD Free Chlorine/Assy Pack Chemkey	\$ 756.25
Hach Company	Assy Pack Chemkey	\$ 97.09
Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine/Sodium Permanganate	\$ 2,644.24
Heard, Hunter	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Highway 141	Garage Sale Registration Fee	\$ 100.00
Home Depot	Flowers/Soil	\$ 149.70
Home Depot	Soil	\$ 91.40
Hovick Family Farm Petting Zoo	Granger Days Petting Zoo	\$ 1,200.00
I-80 Trailers	83x14 Industrial Dump Trailer	\$ 12,000.00
I-80 Trailers	82x12 Rail Side Utility Trailer	\$ 2,920.00
Intralux Consulting	Consulting Services 5/24-6/24/23	\$ 3,750.00
IAMU	3/16/23 Trenching & Shoring Workshop - McLaughlin/Oberholte	\$ 330.00
Iowa League of Cities	GrantFinder Subscription 7/1/23-6/30/24	\$ 75.00
Iowa One Call	811 Emails	\$ 43.20
iRead	iRead Purchase	\$ 337.90
Johnson, Jenni	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Johnson, Jenni	Reim for Hotel for Iowa Parks & Rec Conference	\$ 416.64
Juhl, Jessica	Reim for Department of Public Health Licensing Fee	\$ 80.00
MAFCO Builders	Cold Storage Concrete Floor/Centennial Park Sidewalk Repair/Solar Bench Pad for Library	\$ 23,586.00
McLaughlin, Eric	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
McLaughlin, Eric	Reim for Carhartt Shirts	\$ 365.05

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Menards	Sprinkler/Erosion Blanket	\$ 218.95
Menards	Seafoam Sanitizer/Spray	\$ 11.52
Menards	Swiffer WetJet Refill/Cloth/Sweeper	\$ 73.48
Mercy College of Health Sciences	Pain Management & Splinting for EMS	\$ 5.00
MercyOne Clive Pharmacy	EMS Medications	\$ 14.10
Midwest Technologies	Replace Smart Switch/3-Port Wall Plate/Cat 5e Quick Connect	\$ 374.98
Motion Picture Licensing Corp.	MPLC Umbrella License thru 6/30/24	\$ 748.92
Mullins, Aaron	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Obermolte, Nick	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Office Depot	Acer 14" Screen Laptop	\$ 499.99
Office Depot	Toner	\$ 323.92
Office Depot	Cups/Lids/AAA Batteries	\$ 68.44
Office Depot	Copy Paper/Cups/Lids	\$ 85.14
Office Depot	Plates/Cups/Napkins/Forks/Spoons/Toner	\$ 81.18
Office Depot	Dividers/Binders/Keurig Coffee Maker	\$ 541.01
Ohana Pedal Pullers	Granger Days Kids Pedal Pull	\$ 600.00
Oriental Trading	Camp Sand Art Sheets/Summer Treats Sand Art Sheets/Mosaic Butterfly Sand Art Pics/ A Day At The Beach! Sand Art/Summer Junk Food Sand Art/Cool Summer Treats Craft Kit/ #1 Dad Father's Day Craft Kit/Father's Day Shark Foam Magnet/Foodie Father's Day Craft Kit/Hanging Tropical Parrot/Cool Summer Treats Magnet	\$ 304.84
Polk City Fire Department	Tiering Services	\$ 200.00
Polk County Public Works	NW 110th Avenue Maintenance Agreement	\$ 476.19
Quill	Garbage Bags	\$ 4.29
Quill	Garbage Bags/Copy Paper	\$ 41.99
Racom	EDACS Access/BEON Access	\$ 508.70
Rangemasters Training Center	S&W M&P 2.0 LE 17RD Pistol/Streamlight Weapon Light/Holosun Red Dot/Safariland Holster	\$ 1,325.00
Rangemasters Training Center	Federal Hydrashok 9mm Ammo	\$ 400.00
Rangemasters Training Center	Range Qualifications for: Day/Night Handguns/Rifle/Shotgun for Cox/Owen/Armstrong	\$ 105.00
Sandry Fire Supply	Globe 14" Structural Boots	\$ 545.00
Sandry Fire Supply	1 Gallon Gear Laundry Soap	\$ 30.76
Security Equipment, Inc.	Alarm System Testing	\$ 2,765.66
Schneider Graphics, Inc.	52x73 Decal for EMS	\$ 575.24
Signature Sign & Graphic Studio	Movies & Yoga Banners	\$ 481.70
Sioux Sales Company	Serpa BH Platform/Duty Dbl Mag Pouch/Duty Handcuff/Mag Pouch/Stinger DS Holder/ Tourniquet Holder/Taser Duty Holster/Radio Holster	\$ 903.30
Sparklehoopdance	1 Hr. Hula Hoop Entertainment	\$ 50.00
State Hygienic Laboratory	Water Tests	\$ 27.00
Tierman's Service Center	Water in Fuel Sensor - 2017 Dodge Ram 5500	\$ 316.01
Tierman's Service Center	Repair Ground Wire - 2020 Ram 5500	\$ 150.00
Tierman's Service Center	Left/Right Front CV Axle Shaft - Toolcat	\$ 1,459.02
Tierman's Service Center	Oil Change/Replace Fuel Filter/Def Fluid - 2017 Ram 5500	\$ 304.57
Tierman's Service Center	Snow Plow Hydraulic Pump Replacement - 2020 Dodge Ram 5500	\$ 756.98
Tierman's Service Center	Mower Tires/Mount/Stems	\$ 247.16
Tierman's Service Center	Tires/Mount - 2009 Chevy Ambulance	\$ 990.90
Towne Lawn Care	Fertilizer Application/Weed Spray	\$ 2,980.00
Trzeciak, Kristy	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
UPS	Shipping	\$ 12.00
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Van Wall Equipment	Oil Filter/1 Gal Plus Oil	\$ 114.98
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for State Street Improvements	\$ 9,711.27
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Highway 17 Utility Extensions	\$ 2,039.61
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for New Water Tower Design	\$ 10,000.50
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Willow Street Remedial Plan	\$ 1,948.65
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Urban Renewal Districts - 2022	\$ 140.00

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Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Voluntary Annexation Assistance	\$ 2,061.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Landing at Oxley Creek West Plat 2	\$ 4,096.04
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Building Permit Fees for Apr 2023	\$ 6,192.60
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Residential Garbage Reimbursement 5/1-5/31/23	\$ 10,307.60
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 112.09
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 86.08
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Citywide Community Clean-Up Day	\$ 5,554.66
Westrum Leak Detection	2023 Leak Detection Survey	\$ 900.00
Williams Scotsman	Police Trailer Rental	\$ 328.00
Zoops Fun Zone	Granger Days 2 Balloon Artists	\$ 600.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 207,252.11</u></b>

**EXPENSE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 106,702.03
Emergency Fund	\$ 3,750.00
Road Use Tax Fund	\$ 41,710.09
Water Fund	\$ 31,696.34
Sewer Fund	\$ 23,393.65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 207,252.11</u></b>

**REVENUE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 44,085.20
Road Use Tax Fund	\$ 20,529.75
Employee Benefit Fund	\$ 4,214.10
Emergency Fund	\$ 386.95
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$ 35,798.23
TIF Fund	\$ 2,363.27
FEMA Disaster Fund	\$ 3,120.20
Debt Service Fund	\$ 5,130.04
Water Fund	\$ 35,089.15
Sewer Fund	\$ 57,331.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 208,048.17</u></b>