

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL  
APRIL 13, 2026  
REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session of the Oakland City Council met in the Oakland City Services Building and was called to order by Mayor Brant Miller at 7:00p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said. Council Members present were Applegate, Bernard, Ford, Perkins and Reed. City staff present were City Administrator/Clerk Marissa Lockwood and Library Director Kari Rose. Others present were Gayle Strickland, Tracy Van Zee, Wade and Rhonda McLaughlin and Mike Bane. Motion by Bernard, second by Applegate to approve the agenda. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Open forum was held. Wade McLaughlin discussed complaints regarding junk at the property at 414 Park Street and the timeline of complaints filed, court hearings and lack of cleanup. Miller stated the city understands the frustration with the length of time but there is a process the city has to follow and will continue working with the city's attorney to resolve the issues. Gayle Strickland thanked the city council for supporting the amenities offered in town, specifically the library. She complimented the services and programs offered by the library and thanked Kari and Rachel for all that they do to make it welcoming and active with children. Kari Rose asked about adding an accessible swing in the park, she will look into options and prices.

Motion by Reed to approve the consent agenda including March Clerk Report, April Claims, March Library Report, March Golf Course Report, March Sheriff's Report, March Animal Control Report, minutes from March 9th regular session, March 13th and March 30th special session minutes, fire department minutes, pool committee minutes from April 9th, liquor license renewal for Pour Choices, special event liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies for July 3-7, and Resolution 2026-04-03 "Placing Lien on Property" and Resolution 2026-04-04 "Placing Lien on Property". Second by Bernard. Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Public hearing concerning fiscal year 2027 budget was opened at 7:13p.m. No public comments. Hearing was closed at 7:14p.m. Motion by Perkins, second by Applegate to approve Resolution 2026-04-01 "Fiscal Year 2027 Budget". Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Tracy Van Zee gave an update from the pool committee. They met with Donna Dostal of the Community Foundation for Western Iowa and she provided them with some great information and suggestions for moving forward with fundraising efforts. There have been three resignations from the committee and Donna suggested opening the positions up to allow more members from outside of the city limits of Oakland to get further reach. Motion by Bernard, second by Reed to approve amending the pool committee by-laws to allow the make up of members to be up to five from outside of the city limits of Oakland. 5 ayes, motion carried. Committee will work on finding members to fill the vacancies.

Kari Rose presented information on bids for upgrading the front entrance of the library to an ADA push button door and electrical upgrades for the front office area and entry. Rose has received a grant for \$10,000 for the project. Motion by Bernard, second by Ford to approve the new ADA entry and electrical upgrades in the amount of \$27,339.80. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Rose gave an update on 4th of July celebration plans and stated she could use some more volunteers.

North Water Main Extension Phase II was discussed. Motion by Perkins to approve Resolution 2026-04-02 "Authorizing Bid Letting and Setting Public Hearing", second by Ford. Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Pool staffing was discussed. Ten lifeguard applications have been received and no pool manager applications. Council directed Lockwood to reopen the application period including concession stand workers.

Bank proposals for operating accounts were discussed. Motion by Bernard, second by Applegate to approve moving the city checking account and the golf course checking account to Arbor Bank. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Law Enforcement Services Agreement with Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Department was discussed. The cost has remained the same for fiscal year 2027. Motion by Perkins, second by Reed to approve Law Enforcement Services Agreement for fiscal year 2027 with Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$28,356. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Bernard, second by Perkins to approve Resolution 2026-04-07 "Setting a public hearing date for the conveyance of City Owned Real Estate - Lot 5 Dobbs Subdivision". Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Personnel discussion was held. Motion by Bernard, second by Applegate to approve Resolution 2026-04-05 "Setting Employee Wages" giving Josh Billings an increase of 5% taking his salary to \$81,385.67. Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried. Motion by Applegate, second by Bernard to approve Resolution 2026-04-06 "Setting Employee Wages" giving Gale Kiesel an increase of 5% taking his salary to \$83,738.38. Roll call. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Miller gave the Crew Report in Billings absence. Working on a sewer blockage and water main break today on South Chautauqua, there is a boil order in place until tests come back. Will be filling potholes when cold patch is available, getting mowers and parks ready.

Lockwood gave the Clerk's Report. Will be attending IMFOA conference and software training in Des Moines April 15-17.

Miller gave the Mayor's Report.

Motion by Bernard, second by Perkins to adjourn. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Adjournment 7:48p.m.

AGRIVISION	SKID LOADER SERVICE/REPAIRS	1,278.99
AHLERS & COONEY	LEGAL FEES	231.00
AMERICAN UNDERGROUND SUPPLY	REPAIRS	602.90
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOC	DUES	462.00
ANDERSON SERVICE	CONTRACT SERVICES	175.00
AUDITOR OF STATE	AUDIT FILING FEE FY 2025	425.00
BILLINGS JOSH	PHONE REIMB	40.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	EMS SUPPLIES	1,556.74
CLEAR TITLE & ABSTRACT LLC	TITLE/ABSTRACT SERVICES	688.50
COUNCIL BLUFFS FIRE DEPT	ALS TIER	300.00
CUMMINS INC	GENERATOR REPAIRS	2,545.94
FARM SERVICE COOP	FUEL	2,003.51
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	SERVICE FEES	100.24
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE	139.41
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS	6,913.82
HOME SERVE USA	SERVLINE PREMIUMS	1,794.40
HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO/A NE. CORP	SERVICE HOTSY	345.68
IA DEPT OF INSPECTIONS & APPEA	POOL FOOD LICENSE/SALES TAX/WET FEE	7,949.55

IOWA DEPT PUBLIC HEALTH	POOL REGISTRATION 2026	35.00
IOWA DEPT. NATURAL RESOURCES	V SMITH WW1 CERT FEE	61.50
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	18.00
IOWA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	TRAINING	560.00
JOURNAL HERALD	ADVERTISING/PUBLISHING	641.40
JP LUMBER	SUPPLIES	31.57
KIESEL GALE	PHONE REIMB	40.00
LOCKWOOD MARISSA	RX REIMB	89.40
LOESS HILLS LANDFILL	LANDFILL FEES	6,573.40
M K MILLS TREE SERVICE INC	GARBAGE CHARGES	11,492.50
MATHESON TRI GAS	CHEMICALS	445.35
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	138.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	12,236.00
MIDWEST LABORATORIES INC	ANALYSIS	189.45
MLC MARTENS LAWN CARE	LANDSCAPING CSB/LIBRARY	2,549.00
NAPA OAKLAND	SUPPLIES	150.02
NISHNABOTNA VALLEY REC	UTILITIES	8,138.50
OAKLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	MEMBERSHIP DUES	50.00
OMNITEL COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	415.04
ORKIN	PEST CONTROL	110.00
PER MAR SECURITY SERVICE	REPAIR CSB FIRE ALARM	3,134.44
PIERCE PUMP INC	REPAIR CURB STOP 516 N HWY	511.08
PITNEY BOWES BANK INC	POSTAGE	200.00
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	347.70
POTT CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	CONTRACT Q2 2026	7,089.00
POTT COUNTY TREASURER	PCRC USE JAN/MARCH 2026	1,438.91
QUICK MED CLAIMS LLC	EMS BILLING	1,331.38
RIVERSIDE BOOSTER CLUB	CB DEPOSIT REFUND	100.00
RIVERSIDE HYDROSEEDING	LAWN REPAIRS	500.00
RIVERSIDE OPTIMIST CLUB	AVENUE OF FLAGS	50.00
RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH	CB DEPOSIT REFUND	100.00
RUBACKS	SUPPLIES	28.48
SMITH JR VIRGIL	PHONE REIMB	40.00
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEERING	93,981.85
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES	98.92
UNDERWOOD FIRE DEPT	REFUND	400.00
UNIFIRST CORPORATION-AR	CONTRACT SERVICES	246.86
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER	143.75
USDA RD	WASTEWATER DEBT PYMNT	10,931.00
VC3 INC	IT IN A BOX	866.09
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	161.20
VIKING INDUSTRIAL PAINTING	SOUTH WATER TOWER REPAIR/MAINT	134,500.00
VISUAL EDGE IT INC	COPIER	496.97
WELLMARK BC/BS OF IOWA	HEALTH BENEFITS MAR 2026	21,387.99
WESTERN IOWA UTILITIES	2023 & 2024 WELLS PAY APP 3/WATER MAIN REPAIR	234,307.96
WIGEN WATER TECHNOLOGIES	REPAIRS	1,935.99
TOTAL		585,846.38

General Fund	Income	112405.53	Expense	140496.76
Local Option Fund	Income	21152.91	Expense	0
TIF Fund	Income	6239.83	Expense	0
Debt Service Fund	Income	1688.46	Expense	0
Water Fund	Income	327574.80	Expense	327905.91
Sewer Fund	Income	28951.24	Expense	389803.58
Sanitation Fund	Income	16994.95	Expense	24399.86
Road Use Fund	Income	16463.71	Expense	14027.15
March Totals	Income	531471.43	Expense	896633.26

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Mayor

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City Administrator/Clerk