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The City of Monona, Clayton County, Iowa, has a vacancy on the City Council as of May 16, 2025, due to the resignation of John Elledge. John was elected to join the council on January 1, 2024. The City Council pursuant to §372.13 of the Iowa Code, intends to fill this vacancy by appointment until the next regular City election held in November 2025.

All persons interested in being appointed to this vacancy by the City Council are requested to submit, via mail or personal delivery, a statement of interest to the City Clerk at 104 E. Center St., P.O. Box 298, Monona, IA 52159 by 12 p.m. on June 13, 2025. (Standard forms are available at the city office.)

All interested people are also requested to attend the City Council meeting on June 16, 2025, in the City Hall Council Chamber of the City of Monona, Clayton County, Iowa. At that time, the City Council will take into consideration the matter of the appointment to fill this vacancy.

Pursuant to Section 372.13(2)(a) of

the Code of Iowa, notice is hereby given that the City Council of Monona, Clayton County, Iowa, intends to fill this vacancy by appointment during the July 7, 2025, council meeting. You are further notified that after the foregoing appointment has been made the electors of the City of Monona have the right to file a petition requiring that the vacancy be filled by special election. Since this notice is being published prior to the filling of the vacancy by appointment, any petition will need at least the number of signature equal to fifteen (15) percent of the voters who voted for the candidate for the office of council member at the preceding regular election, or at least ten signatures, whichever is greater. If a petition requesting a special election is filed within fourteen (14) days after the appointment, the appointment is temporary, and the City Council shall be required to call a special election. If no such petition, is filed, the appointment shall be for the period until the next pending election as defined in Section 69.12 of the Code of Iowa.

If you have any questions, please contact the Monona City Clerk's office at (563) 539-2355.

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**CITY OF MONONA  
Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, May 19, 2025**

The Monona, Iowa, City Council met in regular session Monday, May 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Monona City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Grant Langhus presided with Bridget Schlein, Preston Landt, Erin Friedley and Timothy Wright present. John Elledge was absent.

Guests Present: Destiny Kapler (Outlook), Jared Burkle (PeopleService), Heidi Landt (Library), Austin Wille (Police) and Josh Ludwig.

1) Approve Consent Agenda  
Moved by Wright, seconded by Schlein, to approve consent agenda as submitted. Carried Unanimously.

• Agenda  
• Council Minutes ~ May 5, 2025  
• Treasurer/Budgetary Reports ~ April 2025  
• Library Report ~ April 2025  
• Little Bulldog Childcare Report ~ April 2025  
• Utility Billing Reconciliation ~ April/May 2025  
• Public Works Report ~ April 2025  
• Approve Outdoor Liquor License ~ Center Street Bar & Grill (Hay Days)  
• Approve Tobacco Retail Permit ~ Dollar General Store 19526 & Casey's #3546  
2) Hearing of Delegations  
None  
3) PeopleService Report  
PeopleService operator Jared Burkle, discussed written Operations and Maintenance (O&M) reports for Water and Wastewater Departments for April 2025.

Water O&M  
• Completed yearly nitrate samples at both wells.  
Wastewater O&M  
• Andy Meyer and Palmer Electric looked at WWTP generator.  
• Started draining EQ basins and turned on clarifier #2.  
• Found a broken sheer pin on clarifier #2.  
• Started bypassing on the 24<sup>th</sup>.  
• Hauled 50,000 gallons of sludge and injected into field.

4) WWTP Generator Update  
Have a meeting scheduled with insurance representative on May 27 to discuss the issues with the generator and the tipping on the cement base. Mayor Langhus would like to find out if a 300 kW generator is more than we need and check into selling the old generator. Will discuss findings at next meeting.

5) April Police Report  
Police Chief Wille supplied the council with the April report, breaking down the seventy-six calls. Officer Dougherty is starting his third week at the academy. The new po-

lice vehicle should be ready to pick up by the end of the month. Chief Wille discussed the need to update the Police Policy and Procedure book and the possibility of adding a bull rack round bar for deer hits on the police vehicles.

6) Public Hearing for FY 2024-2025 City Budget Amendments  
Mayor Langhus opened public hearing at 6:29 p.m. Administrator Collins explained that to comply with Chapter 384.18 of the Iowa Code city council needs to amend the FY2024-2025 City Budget as expenditures would exceed original estimates within three of the nine programs. The amended programs were "Public Safety" for \$32,000, "Capital Projects" for \$20,000 and "Business Type/Enterprise" for \$120,000. The city council is required to hold a public hearing prior to amending the Budget. Notice of an amendment hearing was published in The Outlook on May 7<sup>th</sup> as required. A compendium of expenditure programs that would need to be increased to be compliant with the city budget process was presented. The amendments totaled an additional expenditure of \$172,000. Revenue was not adjusted. The amendment would result in no increase in taxes. Hearing no further comments, questions or objections, Mayor Langhus closed the hearing at 6:31 p.m.

7) Resolution No. 2025-07 Amending FY2024-25 City Budget ~ Period Ending June 30, 2025  
It was moved by Landt, seconded by Friedley to approve Resolution 2025-07 amending the fiscal year 24/25 for city budget by \$172,000.00. ROLL CALL: AYES – Four, NAYES- None. Motion carried.

8) Hay Days Request  
Hay Days director, Josh Ludwig, submitted to the city council a list of requests for the city for 2025. Hay Days will be June 14<sup>th</sup> and the theme is "Monona's Got Talent". A motion was made by Schlein, seconded by Wright to approve the items on the handout. Carried Unanimously.

9) Approve Parade Permit for Hay Days  
The Monona Hay Days parade will be on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Lineup will be at 10 am, and the parade at 11 am. The parade route will be the same as the previous year. It was moved by Wright, seconded by Landt, to approve the parade permit. Carried Unanimously.

10) Approve Two New Fireman  
Chief Palas submitted two applications to the council for approval to the Monona Volunteer Fire Department. Both applicants were members of the Junior Firefighter Program. It was moved by Wright,

seconded by Landt, to approve Noah Goltz and Jacob Schellhorn to the Monona Volunteer Fire Department. Carried Unanimously.

11) Fire Department Drone Insurance  
Back in May of 2022 the council tabled the matter of who would be responsible for covering the deductible in the case of a claim on the drone. The city reimburses the county for the premium on the drone. After some discussion, it was moved by Landt, seconded by Schlein to affirm that the Monona Volunteer Fire Department will cover the deductible on any claims on the drone. Carried Unanimously.

12) Consider Three Year Proposal for Required Annual Examination  
Hacker Nelson & Co., CPAs submitted a proposal for agreed-upon procedures services for the years ending June 30, 2025, through June 30, 2027. It was moved by Friedley, seconded by Landt to approve the services and rates for the next three years. Carried Unanimously.

13) Consider Mowing Rules for Campers  
Back in September of 2024 the council discussed the issue of mowing around campsites where they are staying for an extended period of time. After some discussion it was moved by Schlein, seconded by Landt to require campers staying at the Gateway Park Campground 10 days or more, to take care of the mowing of the grass around their campsite. Carried Unanimously.

14) City Billboard Design Update  
After reviewing the third design update from Lamar, it was moved by Landt, seconded by Wright, to approve the design for the two billboards located on HWY 18. Carried Unanimously.

15) Consider Requirements for Sale of City Property  
The council discussed requirement they wanted in the contract for the sale of the commercial property located at 115 W. Center St. After much discussion it was moved by Landt, seconded by Schlein to move forward with advertising the sale of the property located at 115 W. Center Street. Carried Unanimously.

16) Consider Social Media/Facebook Police  
After much discussion on the city's presence on social media, such as Facebook and the need of a policy, it was moved by Landt, seconded by Wright to table this discussion till a later date. Carried Unanimously.

17) Notice to Appoint Council Member to Fill Vacancy  
The city received notice from Councilman Elledge that he would be stepping down from his position

as a Monona City Council Member due to work issues. After some discussion on the steps needed to fill the position, it was Moved by Landt, seconded by Friedley to accept the resignation of Councilman Elledge effective immediately and move forward with posting the opening to be filled by appointment of the council. Carried Unanimously.

Mayor/Council/Administration Notes:  
Reminder of the MCED Golf Tournament on June 28, 2025. They are looking for teams.  
Hearing no further comments, Mayor Langhus declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Monona City Hall Council Chambers.  
Barbara Collins, City Administrator

**Monthly Revenues for April:**

ACCOUNT TITLE .....	BALANCE
GENERAL TOTAL .....	204,467.12
LIBRARY TOTAL .....	12,302.42
ROAD USE TAX TOTAL	17,250.17
TRUST & AGENCY TOTAL .....	35,394.33
T.I.F. TOTAL .....	84,082.80
LIBRARY MEMORIAL TOTAL .....	1,130.00
MONONA PUBLIC GARD & TRL TOTA .....	250.00
DEBT SOURCE CASH TOTAL .....	31,714.97
PHASE IV BTRAIL HARDSURFA TOTA .....	250.00
24/25 DOG PARK TOTAL .....	100.00
WATER TOTAL .....	27,144.36
SEWER TOTAL .....	57,172.13
GARBAGE TOTAL .....	22,791.63
LITTLE BULLDOG - SINKING TOTA .....	1,058.00
LITTLE BULLDOG - RESERVE TOTA .....	106.00
<b>MONTHLY REVENUES .....</b>	<b>495,213.93</b>

**Monthly Expenses for April:**

ACCOUNT TITLE .....	BALANCE
GENERAL TOTAL .....	45,239.97
LIBRARY TOTAL .....	6,960.90
ROAD USE TAX TOTAL	6,897.99
TRUST & AGENCY TOTAL .....	8,567.03
LIBRARY MEMORIAL TOTAL .....	294.83
24/25 DOG PARK TOTAL .....	6,415.50
WATER TOTAL .....	22,739.53
SEWER TOTAL .....	22,108.70
21/22 SEWER LINING FUND TOTAL .....	3,592.01
GARBAGE TOTAL .....	20,048.40
LITTLE BULLDOG - SINKING TOTA .....	1,058.00
Agency Funds TOTAL .....	250.00
<b>MONTHLY EXPENDITURES .....</b>	<b>\$144,172.86</b>

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