

City of Durant City Council  
Meeting Minutes 03/10/2025

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mayor Spengler at 6:00p.n. with roll call of members presents; Quiram, Sterner, Mundt, Daufeldt, and Ostofi. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve consent agenda items; city bills, agenda and minutes from prior council meeting. Ayes: Ostofi, Daufeldt, Mundt, Sterner, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried. Public Input: None

Police Report: Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Mundt, to approve the monthly police report. Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Mundt, Daufeldt, Ostofi Nays: None Motion carried. Drug take back day is April 26<sup>th</sup> from 10a.m. to 2:0p.m. at the police department.

Public Works Report: Consider approval of quote for Kluesner for joint sealing on bridge after July 1 2025 Dir. Jared Semsch presented a quote for joint sealing at Yankee Avenue bridge from Kluesner Constructions Inc. for \$3,850.00. The work would be preformed after July 1. The joint sealing recommendation was included in the bridge inspection report. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Ostofi, to approve the quote for \$3850 for joint sealing on bridge. Ayes: Mundt, Daufeldt, Ostofi, Quiram Sterner Nays: None Motion carried.

Dir. Semsch reported there was a boil in the intersection of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street; public works took out the seal coating and put rock down; once the rock is packed in, they will install cold patch in July. Dir. Semsch is planning to do the same at the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, where the seal coating is broken up. Member Quiram asked if CMT Highway reimbursed the city for any damages. Clerk confirmed the city received \$1,000 from CMT Highway.

Community/Economic Dev. Report: Consider approval for replacement of ceiling tile in office: Dir. Dawn Smith presented a quote from Paper's Construction Company to replace ceiling tile; refinish cabinet doors and drawers outside of office and miscellaneous other work for \$606.00. The repairs are needed because of the water damage caused before the new roof was installed. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Mundt, to approve the amount not to exceed \$606.00 for the quoted work. Ayes: Quiram, Ostofi, Daufeldt, Mundt, Sterner Nays: None Motion carried. Consider approval for kitchen cabinet work : Dir. Smith presented a quote for \$2400 for work in the kitchen from Paper's Construction Company, to refinish cabinets and paint, plus other miscellaneous repairs. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram to approve the quote not to exceed \$2400.00. Ayes: Ostofi, Daufeldt, Mundt, Sterner, Quiram Nays: None. Community Center will be closed March 19<sup>th</sup> through April 3<sup>rd</sup> for interior painting project.

Dir. Smith reported the first Prosperity and Growth meeting shared with Chamber of Commerce took place March 4<sup>th</sup> and went well with a good crowd; ISU Rural Housing Readiness Assessment committee meeting was March 5<sup>th</sup> where the city received information from the 161 surveys completed earlier in the year. Dir. Smith was not enthused with some of the data because it was not a true picture of the City of Durant. Member Daufeldt reported ISU did not include data from Scott or Muscatine Counties; this will be discussed March 19<sup>th</sup>. Dir, Smith reported the City received the Iowa Department of Ag and Land Stewardship grant to improve the parking lot at Feldhahn. This is a matching grant so the city would need to find funding to match the grant in order to complete the project, or turn down the grant. Dir. Smith is hoping this can be started in the new fiscal year.

City Clerk's report: Update on Band shell repairs by TNT: Clerk reported TNT started today with tuck pointing and replacing concrete blocks. TNT recommended a sealant for the floor, and

the city is waiting for that quote. TNT recommended gutters to keep moisture away from the structure and city will also seek a quote to install electric underground to the bandshell. The city will look into having some type of mural painted on the bandshell; and the exterior will be painted in the future.

Consider approval for February financial statements: Member Mundt motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to approve the February financial statements. Ayes: Sterner, Mundt, Daufeldt, Ostofi, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried.

Mayor/Council Report: Clerk reminded council March 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00p.m. will be Collective Bargaining Agreement, and Attorney Stone will be available at 4:30p.m. March 17<sup>th</sup>- city will meet with Financial Advisor Heidi Kluhn and Attorney Danos to discuss Tax Increment Financing information and options for city to consider; March 19<sup>th</sup> from 4PM to 7PM will be the third Housing Committee meeting; March 25<sup>th</sup> will be a variance meeting for a new home in the 1200 block of 8<sup>th</sup> Street; March 26<sup>th</sup> will Park Board meeting; April 2<sup>nd</sup> Planning and Zoning will meet to review school gymnasium site plan.

At 6:26 p.m. Mayor Spengler read the following: *CLOSED SESSION: 21.5 Closed session. 1. A governmental body may hold a closed session only by affirmative public vote of either two-thirds of the members of the body or all of the members present at the meeting. A governmental body may hold a closed session only to the extent a closed session is necessary for any of the following reasons: 21.5(i). To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance of discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that person’s reputation and that individuals requests a closed session.*

Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Mundt, to proceed into closed session per City Attorney Sprague’s recommendation ( and was present). Ayes: Quiram, Sterner, Mundt, Daufeldt, Ostofi. Nays: None Motion carried.

At 7:30p.m. council reconvened into open session. Member Sterner motioned, seconded by Member Quiram, to proceed as discussed in closed session. Ayes: Ostofi, Daufeldt, Mundt, Sterner, Quiram Nays: None Motion carried.

With no other business before council, meeting was adjourned at 7:31p.m.

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Scott Spengler, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deana Cavin, City Operations Officer/Clerk

City of Durant Vendor Name	Claims List 03-10-2025	
424 Warning Systems LLC	Camera install 140, 141, 147 & unit 142 retrofit parts only	14275.94
Advocate News	CH publishing	292.37
Alliant Energy *	Scott Co electric-st lights, wa tower, lift station	202.37
Altorfer Inc	SW-generator coolant leak fix	463.32
Amazon Capital Services	Misc supplies	393.21
Bosch Pest Control Inc	CH & CC pest control	80.00

C.C.E Services LLC	CC-replace receptacles (35)	1022.30
Calhoun Burns & Assoc Inc	2024 bridge rating & inspection	797.50
Central States H & W Funds *	Monthly health/life insurance pymt	20256.00
City of Durant	Water	4094.72
Danko Emergency Equip Co	Fire-pump seal kit 147	461.66
Dinges Fire Company *	Shipping for invoice 62555	22.80
Durant Municipal Electric	Electric	6458.59
Econo Signs LLC	PW-stickers for trucks	134.74
EFTPS *	Fed/FICA tax	6966.72
Goerd, Terry	Monthly contract pymt Feb 25	1322.00
IA Assn Municipal Utilities	Water member dues 2025-26	635.00
IMFOA	City membership 25-26	50.00
IPERS *	IPERS	8986.57
Jeff's Market	Misc supplies	189.69
John Deere Financial	Vehicle maint & rpr parts	158.30
Latta Harris LLP	Electronic filing 1099s	235.00
Liberty Insurance Agency	WA-add ins 2019 F150 & trailer	186.00
Liberty Trust & Savings Bank *	ACH & wire fees	77.88
Lori's Cleaning Service *	Cleaning service-city offices	120.00
Menards	PD supplies	47.92
MSA Professional Services Inc	Feldhahn Park storm water basin	20572.68
NCL of Wisconsin Inc	WWTP lab supplies	275.79
Paper's Lumber & Supply Inc	Misc supplies	152.99
Postmaster *	WA billing postage-stamps & annual box fee	512.00
Price's Heating & AC	Shop-remain bal on new furnace/ac	8611.00
Ron Alpen Ford Inc	Vehicle repairs	991.81
Ron's Toy Box LLC *	Cutting edge 1/2 snowplow F550	671.94
Spengler Auto Repair	PD-Tahoe service	74.00
Sprague Law PC	Legal fees end of Jul & Aug 24	731.00
TPC Performance Food Service	CC tablecover & bar supplies	224.47
Treasurer of Iowa-IA-WH *	State tax	1547.80
Treasurer State of Iowa *	Sales & WET tax	2156.01
Triple B Construction	Handrails 801 5th Street	2456.25
Turkle Tree Service Inc	Park tree & stump removal	1400.00
Utility Equipment Co	WA-gate valve & top bolts	1220.00
Verizon Wireless *	Telephones, internet, cells, GIS	781.11
Walt Lambach Fire Protection	Fire extinguishers serviced	541.03
WEX Bank *	Fuel	934.03
Payroll		21,577.92
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>133,362.43</b>

\* Denotes paid early due to invoice due date

**Fund Totals**

General	60,793.57
Road UseTax	9,190.65

Fire Department	15,765.92
Water	8,917.01
Sewer	18,122.60
Storm Water	20,572.68
<b>Total</b>	<b>133,362.43</b>
<b>February 2025 Revenues</b>	
General	67,074.51
Joey Gehrls Gift	5,785.83
Road Use Tax	19,877.82
Special Levy (Emp Ins)	1,688.75
Durant LOSST (75% share)	11,375.01
Urban Renewal Fund (TIF)	778.86
Fire Fund	1223.92
Debt Service	2,930.16
Water Utility	29,509.45
Water Rev Bond Sinking Fund	13,499.67
Sewer Utility	63,177.12
Sewer Rev Bond Sinking Fund	29,997.50
Storm Water	878.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>247,797.52</b>