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CITY OF DEEP RIVER
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
April 14, 2025
The Deep River City Council met in regular session at the Deep River Community Center on Monday, Apr. 14, 2025, at 7 p.m., with mayor pro tem Richard Geiger presiding. The following council Members answered roll call: Robin Cranston, Bob Wilhelm, Ed Evans and Richard Geiger. Absent: Chad Hanchett. Others present: City Clerk, Leigh Armstrong, and Derek Bates from the Record.

Cranston made a motion, seconded by Evans to approve the agenda as posted. All voted Aye; the motion was approved.

Evans made a motion, seconded by Wilhelm to approve the minutes of the March regular council meeting as read. All voted Aye; the motion was approved.

Evans made a motion, seconded by Wilhelm to approve the minutes of the second March 24 special council meeting as read. All voted Aye; the motion was approved.

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The mayor pro tem opened the public hearing on the 2025-2026 budget.

The mayor pro tem closed the public hearing on the 2025-2026 budget. Evans made a motion, seconded by Geiger to approve Resolution #2- 04-2025 adopting the budget. All voted Aye; the motion was approved

Resident comments: None.

Two mowing bids were opened. The council accepted the bid from Sid Van Dee for \$345 per time to mow the cemetery with proof of insurance to be submitted to the city.

Evans made a motion, seconded by Cranston to approve Resolution #1-04-2025 to support calling an election for the purpose of renewing the Local Option Sales Tax in Deep River. Cranston, Evans, Geiger, and Wilhelm each voted Aye. Hanchett was absent. The motion was approved.

Wilhelm made a motion, seconded by Geiger to approve the third reading of Ordinance #26 establishing a Deep River Burning Ordinance. The ordinance is the same as the Poweshiek County Burning Ordinance except it also bans burning of trash in city limits. Cranston, Evans, Geiger and Wilhelm each voted Aye. Hanchett was absent. The motion was approved. The ordinance will become law upon publishing.

Cranston made a motion, seconded by Evans, to approve the second reading of Ordinance #23 raising water rates by 31 cents per thousand gallons. Cranston, Evans, Geiger and Wilhelm each voted Aye. Hanchett was absent. The motion was approved.

Evans made a motion, seconded by Wilhelm to approve the April claims. All voted Aye; the motion was approved.

Cranston made a motion, seconded by Evans to approve the raise in health insurance rates of \$200 per month for the city worker. All voted Aye, the motion was approved.

The clerk gave the Treasurer's Report. Water bought from Poweshiek Water was 500,000 gallons and 302,914 were sold.

Bob Wilhelm reported that the Community Center Board had decided that the new shelter house can be reserved for \$50 per time with the key to the ball diamond bathrooms being given to the renter. The shelter can be used for free without a reservation. He also reported that some benches might be donated to the community center grounds. He also reported that the cement work for the sidewalk to the new shelter will be started soon.

Leigh Armstrong gave the utilities report. Richard Geiger asked that the stump at Pride Park be pulled. Leigh asked about the ash tree at the fire station park that seems to be near dead. It was decided to give it one more month to bloom and then hire the work done then if needed. Leigh reported that he will be discharging the lagoon this month.

The City Clerk has a meeting with Attorney PJ Mahaffey on Wednesday. She will present the LOST Resolution to him to be approved and then turn it in to the county. She will also ask about the Brenda Hudson property and find out if Ms. Hudson has been served notice and also inform him about the change of ownership at 695 Main Street. Evans asked that 657A proceedings be started immediately against the property.

Evans made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Second was by Wilhelm.

Derek Koch, Mayor
Jacki McDermott, Clerk
Alliant Energy (street lights, community center, city bldgs, park, fire station) 1,152.52
Leigh Armstrong (operator class) 165.00
Amazon (envelopes, toner, paper) 267.87
Light's Insurance 26,218.00
Van Wert Company (water parts) 566.32
Postmaster (stamps) 146.00
Dakota Supply Group (water parts) 932.00
County Bank (water loan) 1,970.05
Windstream (telephones and internet city buildings) 224.48
IPERS 609.19
United States Treasury (FICA and Withholding) 995.33
The Record (minutes, budget levy, ads) 201.45
Hygienic Lab (water testing) 152.00
Iowa Department of Revenue (water excise tax) 339.25
Wellmark (employee insurance) 2,280.79
County Bank (sewer loan) 1,257.57
Poweshiek Water Assn (water purchased) 2,155.00
Water Reserve Acct 50.00
Audas Sanitation (garbage and recycling) 734.40
Community Center:
Audas Sanitation (dumpster) 21.40
March 2025 Summary of Receipts and Disbursements
RECEIPTS
General Fund 3,411.96
Employee Benefits Fund 540.26
Housing Fund 0.00
Road Use Fund 2,063.93
Local Option Sales Tax Fund 2,864.94
Cemetery Fund 0.00
Community Center Fund 950.00
Capital Improvement (shelter house) 0.00
Water Fund 5,970.86
Sewer Fund 3,265.48
19,067.43
DISBURSEMENTS
General Fund 8,815.64
Housing Fund 0.00
Employee Benefit Fund 1,268.57
Road Use Fund 2,021.54
Cemetery Fund 0.00
Community Center Fund 107.31
Playground Fund 0.00
Shelter House Fund 39.32
Water Fund 7,993.29
Sewer Fund 4,501.78
24,747.45
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CITY OF MONTEZUMA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the City of Montezuma will conduct a public hearing on May 5, 2025, at 6 p.m., in council chambers, located at 501 E. Main Street, Montezuma, Iowa. The purpose of this public hearing is to consider public testimony on the proposed ordinance amendment entitled: Ordinance No. 73. An ordinance amending the code of ordinances of the City of Montezuma, Iowa, by amending Chapter 110.06 Gas Utility Rate(s). The public is invited to submit oral or written comments on the proposed project application.

Christy Sanger
Montezuma City Clerk
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MONTEZUMA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Apr. 16, 2025
The Board of Directors of the Montezuma Community School District met on the above date at the schoolhouse in the school auditorium, with the following board members present: Jason Meyer, Cori Henkle, and Joel Kercheval. Nichole Bushong was absent. Also present was Rich Schulte, Kelly O'Rourke, Karla DeCook, Simone Bates, Carrie Stockman, Elizabeth DeJong, Harlea Pargeon, Gina Pargeon, and Wes Pargeon.

President Jason Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

It was moved by Cori Henkle and seconded by Joel Kercheval to open the Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m., on FY26 Budget. Karla DeCook gave a presentation.

No public comments were given.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Matt Mann to close the Public Hearing at 5:42 p.m., on FY26 Budget

President Jason Meyer called the regular meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA - It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the consent agenda as presented; the agenda; minutes of the board meeting of March 26, March Invoices, and fund balance report for March 2025. Motion carried, 5-0.

GOOD NEWS - Carrie Stockman spoke on the Seal of Biliteracy. This is the seventh year Iowa has awarded the Seal of Biliteracy. Harlea Pargeon and Elizabeth DeJong talked about the class and the requirements. To qualify for this award, a student must earn a minimum score on the English portion of the ACT, in addition to showing proficiency in a second language by earning a minimum score on four separate parts of a proficiency test. They must speak, write, listen, and read Spanish prompts with a minimum score of 5 on each section. These students have earned 6, 7, and even a few 8s on the portions of the test. This seal that values language as an asset is a label for honoring students who are considered proficient in at least two languages. Stockman would like to thank Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Schulte along with the entire school staff for their support in recognizing the value of language diversity and cultural identity by allowing MHS seniors to participate in this state honor. Students earning the Seal this year are: Silvia Burnett, Elena Cook, Isabel DeJong, Harlea Pargeon, Victoria Pitts, Santiago Stockman, Bella Wickham, Esperanza Wilcox.

WELCOME VISITORS - President Meyer welcomed visitors and thanked them for taking time to attend the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS - Mr. O'Rourke gave a presentation on the new school website that will be up and running soon. This website will have new features and be very user friendly for anyone visiting the school website.

Derrick Dengler and Josh Anderson were able to get the April Newsletter out and a shout out to the many students who are involved in multiple activities and continue to work hard and achieve great things. Congratulations to the students who brought home high rankings in DECA, Personal Finance. FFA stood out again this year at the state level and qualified for Nationals. Upcoming events: May 9 - Seniors last day; May 10 - Graduation; and May 22 - Students' last day.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - It was moved by Cori Henkle and seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the FY26 Budget as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Matt Mann to approve the first reading of board policies 506-508.2 as presented and to approve the review of board policy 103 as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

It was moved by Cori Henkle and seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the Classified contracts for the 2025-26 school year. Motion carried, 5-0.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Matt Mann to approve the administrative contracts for the 2025-26 school year as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

The Board President accepted to receive and file the superintendent recommendation to terminate a 1.0 FTE employment contract.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the superintendent's recommendation to terminate employment contract with Hannah Garland for the reasons of budgetary considerations, declining enrollment, realignment of staff and program resources, compliance with staff reduction procedure of the District. Motion carried 5-0. Roll Call was taken: Cori Henkle - Yes; Matt Mann -Yes; Nichole Bushong - Yes; Joel Kercheval - Yes; Jason Meyer - Yes.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Cori Henkle to Open the Public Hearing at 6:56 p.m. regarding the 2025-26 school calendar. Motion carried, 5-0.

It was moved by Joel Kercheval and seconded by Matt Mann to Close the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m., on the 2025-26 school calendar. Motion carried, 5-0.

It was moved by Nichole Bushong and seconded by Joel Kercheval to approve the 2025-26 School Calendar as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

PERSONNEL
Resignations - It was moved by Cori Henkle and seconded by Matt Mann to approve the resignation of Neva Gregory as kitchen staff. Motion carried, 5-0.

Appointments - It was moved by Matt Mann and seconded by Nichole Bushong to approve the HS boys baseball volunteer coaches of Jordan Hohensee, Shayne Wilcox, Gaige Arendt. Motion carried, 5-0.

REPORTS
Business Office -
Superintendent -
Kitchen update - Superintendent Schulte updated the board on kitchen staff and how that might look for next school year.

Legislative update - Superintendent Schulte shared that as part of the bill that set our SSA at 2% was an adjustment to operational sharing that allows for 25 points instead of 21.

That allows for additional sharing opportunities in the future.

DISCUSSION
ADJOURNMENT - No further action appearing before the board, was on proper motion adjourned at 7:12 p.m.
Board President
Board Secretary

Montezuma Community School District		BOARD REPORT-DETAIL	
04/14/2025 09:15 AM		Unposted	
Vendor Name	Detail Description		Amount
Checking Account ID 1	Fund Number 10	OPERATING FUND	
A-ONE GEOTHERMAL	GROUNDS UPKEEP & REPAIR SERVICE		300.00
ADVANCE BUILDERS CORPORATION	ROOF REPAIR		485.52
AUDAS SANITATION	BLDGS/GROUNDS -GARBAGE COLLECTION		960.00
BAUER BUILT TIRE	TIRES & TUBES		4,528.40
BIG COUNTRY SEEDS	GROUNDS - LAWN CARE		680.00
BROOKLYN HARDWARE	GENERAL SUPPLIES		499.84
CAPITAL SANITARY SUPPLY CO.	BLDGS/GROUNDS -CUSTODIAN SUPPLIES		60.39
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING, INC	BLDGS/GROUNDS -CUSTODIAN SUPPLIES		981.00
DHS CASHIER 1ST FLOOR	MEDICAID PAYABLE		1,088.09
FORD, LOREN	GROUNDS UPKEEP & REPAIR SERVICE		321.30
HOMETOWN HARDWARE	CARL PERKINS EQUIP.		928.72
ICENBICE, MINDY	NURSE GENERAL SUPPLIES		1,110.00
IOWA ASSOC. OF SCHOOL BOARDS	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEACHER		1,250.00
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK	INTERNET ACCESS		49.20
IOWA VALLEY BUSINESS & COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS	BUS DRIVER CLASS		110.00
J.W. PEPPER & SON, INC.	From Now On Accompaniment MP3		33.40
JOSTENS	GRAD MEDALLIONS		449.64
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	GROUNDS UPKEEP & REPAIR SERVICE		759.05
MCC BOOKSTORE	REGULAR TEXTBOOKS		3,726.05
MONTEZUMA FLORAL	GENERAL SUPPLIES		34.99
MONTEZUMA SUPER VALU	GENERAL SUPPLIES		73.51
PONDEROSA SUPPLY, LTD.	GROUNDS UPKEEP & REPAIR SERVICE		582.40
R&R RESTORATIONS	TIRES & TUBES		627.65
RECORD, THE	NEWSPAPER		80.00
SAUCE'D	PT CONFERENCE MEALS		645.00
SCHEIDEL PEST CONTROL	GROUNDS - PEST CONTROL		65.00
SHERWIN WILLIAMS COMPANY	GROUNDS UPKEEP & REPAIR SERVICE		819.75
SINCLAIR	GENERAL SUPPLIES		632.52
TIMBERLINE BILLING SERVICE LLC	MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT		149.81
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	REPAIR PARTS		218.50
WEST MUSIC COMPANY	Jupiter Instrument Trial Kits		128.97
WILCOX EQUIPMENT	SKIDLOADER REPAIR PARTS		23.54
XEROX BUSINESS SOLUTIONS MIDWEST	GENERAL SUPPLIES		299.98
XEROX FINANCIAL SERVICES	TONER SUPPLIES		66.86
Fund Number 10			22,769.08
Checking Account ID 1			22,769.08
Checking Account ID 2	Fund Number 21	STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND	
BELLE PLAINE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	ATHLETICS ENTRY FEES		90.00
CROW SHOOTING SUPPLY, INC.	SCTP SHOOTING SUPPLIES		5,695.00
EAST MARSHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT	ATHLETICS ENTRY FEES		100.00
ELITE AWARDS	GIRLS BASKETBALL SUPPLIES		112.63
ELITE SPORTS	SCTP SHIRTS		2,431.00
FIEBELKORN, KAIDEN	TRAINER VISIT		45.00
HOMETOWN HARDWARE	FFA GENERAL SUPPLIES		339.09
HUMBERT INTERNATIONAL	FFA GENERAL SUPPLIES		5,948.12
PLANTS, MIKE & KELLY	REIMB HOTEL ROOMS		767.73
TISH, GREG OR LINDA	REIMB SCTP FEE		250.00
VERIZON	FFA INTERNET		80.02
Fund Number 21			15,858.59
Checking Account ID 2			15,858.59
Checking Account ID 3	Fund Number 36	PHYSICAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT	
CENTRAL RIVERS AREA EDUCATION AGENCY	TECHNOLOGY- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		12,875.00
PREMIER FE	COMMONS AREA FURNITURE		5,759.71
TRAFERA LLC	CHROMEBOOK CASES		10,000.00
ULINE	LED LIGHTBULBS		4,583.72
Fund Number 36			33,218.43
Checking Account ID 3			33,218.43
Checking Account ID 5	Fund Number 61	SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND	
ANDERSON-ERICKSON DAIRY CO.	PURCHASED FOOD		1,890.96
EMS DETERGENT SERVICES	GENERAL SUPPLIES		230.55
MARTIN BROTHERS DISTRIBUTING	PURCHASED FOOD		7,458.89
MONTEZUMA SUPER VALU	PURCHASED FOOD		59.80
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING COMPANY	PURCHASED FOOD		358.00
TOWN AND COUNTRY WHOLESAL	GENERAL SUPPLIES		117.88
Fund Number 61			10,116.08
Checking Account ID 5			10,116.08
Checking Account ID 7	Fund Number 22	MANAGEMENT FUND	
ARENDET & ARENDT INSURANCE AGY	VEHICLE INSURANCE (BUS,AUTO)		496.00
Fund Number 22			496.00
Checking Account ID 7			496.00

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET				
City of MONTEZUMA Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025				
The City of MONTEZUMA will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025				
Meeting Date/Time: 5/5/2025 06:00 PM		Contact: Christy Sanger		Phone: (641) 623-5617
Meeting Location: Montezuma City Hall 501 East Main Street Montezuma, IA 50171				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals .				
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	965,384	0	965,384
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	965,384	0	965,384
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	265,112	0	265,112
Licenses & Permits	7	2,400	0	2,400
Use of Money & Property	8	318,721	0	318,721
Intergovernmental	9	542,486	0	542,486
Charges for Service	10	5,517,766	0	5,517,766
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	11,975	0	11,975
Other Financing Sources	13	3,262	0	3,262
Transfers In	14	321,018	0	321,018
Total Revenues & Other Sources	15	7,948,124	0	7,948,124
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Public Safety	16	429,750	0	429,750
Public Works	17	304,700	0	304,700
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	135,725	0	135,725
Community and Economic Development	20	6,500	0	6,500
General Government	21	332,600	0	332,600
Debt Service	22	234,075	0	234,075
Capital Projects	23	0	84,105	84,105
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	1,443,350	84,105	1,527,455
Business Type/Enterprise	25	5,447,078	0	5,447,078
Total Gov Activities & Business Expenditures	26	6,890,428	84,105	6,974,533
Transfers Out	27	321,018	0	321,018
Total Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	7,211,446	84,105	7,295,551
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	736,678	-84,105	652,573
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2024	30	13,489,186	0	13,489,186
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2025	31	14,225,864	-84,105	14,141,759
Explanation of Changes: The increase in Capital Projects was due to spending ARPA dollars toward street paving.				
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