



Press photos by Travis Fischer

Spectators watched as Ferneau Movers work to carefully get the 140-year-old historic schoolhouse into place on Wednesday.



Kids watch the building roll down Marble Rock's Main Street.

## SCHOOL

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"This is where we see how well we measured," said Diane Black as the movers inched the building over the new foundation placed just behind the Historical Society's Behler Cabin. As it turned out, lifting the schoolhouse up and bringing it into Marble Rock was the easy part. Figuring out how to set it back again took considerably more time.

Helped up by a series of metal beams and wooden blocks, the schoolhouse sat suspended above ground overnight, with Ferneau Movers returning on Wednesday morning to continue their work.

"It took a lot longer than I expected, but they were so particular about getting it just right, which we appreciated," said Diane Black. "It was really interesting watching them load the 4,000 pound beams."

By late afternoon on Wednesday, the building was finally settled and secured on its foundation.

"It's in town now," said Clayton Black. "Now the work starts."

The Historical Society plans to restore the schoolhouse to use it as a working example of how schooling was in the 1800s, adding yet another historical attraction to downtown Marble Rock.

"We have buildings," said Clayton Black. "That's what we do."

### Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice

CITY NAME: MARBLE ROCK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF MARBLE ROCK - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY CITY #: 34-326  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 4/13/2026 Meeting Time: 06:30 PM Meeting Location: City Hall 105 Main St. S Marble Rock, IA 50653

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)

City Telephone Number  
(641) 315-2621

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2026 - 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2026 - 2027
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	3,768,847	3,482,111	3,482,111
Consolidated General Fund	32,054	32,054	29,615
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	0	0	0
Aviation Authority	0	0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	9,835	9,835	11,289
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	0	0	0
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	5,267	5,267	5,655
Other Employee Benefits	11,500	11,500	11,866
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	11,153,696	10,644,005	10,644,005
Debt Service	0	0	0
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	58,656	58,656	58,425
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	15.56347	16.84495	16.77884
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	347,766	370,971	370,971
Ag Land	1,045	1,045	1,115
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	3.00375	2.81693	3.00375
<b>Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed</b>			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000			
City Regular Residential	738	822	11.38
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000			
City Regular Commercial	3,208	3,839	19.67

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and commercial properties have the same rollback percentage through \$150,000 of actual/assessed valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:  
Insurance costs increase.

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## TRADES

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new dugouts at Sportsman's Park. However, people may not know that the trades class is also available to do projects for anybody that needs some simple construction work done.

"We're always looking for projects around the community to do," said Meints. "We do a little bit of everything."

The class has already done several jobs for residents around town, spending their class time working on home improvements.

"They love building decks," said Meints.

As the program grows, Meints would like to be able

to split the city into multiple crews for next year and is on the lookout for more jobs to give to his students as a practical learning opportunity.

Anybody in the Charles City area with a job to do can contact him to see if it's the kind of job that the building trades class can benefit from and what the material costs will be.

"As long as they pay for the materials, the labor service is free," said Meints. "It's a great gig and the more projects we can get the better it will be."

Meints says that Craig Johnson's welding program is looking for similar opportunities for his students as well, seeking out ways to increase community involvement in the program.

"All they have to do is call him to see if he'd be interested," said Meints.

As spring unfolds, this year's program is wrapping up, but Meints hopes to have a strong line-up of work for next year's students starting in September.

### Legal Notice

Special Board Meeting #2  
03/30/2026 12:00 PM  
Central Service Building - In-Person  
or via Zoom Meeting  
1204 1st Avenue  
Charles City, IA  
MEETING MINUTES

The Charles City Board of Education is holding a meeting open to the public. People who want to make comments are welcome to attend in person at the location specified. The community can watch the school board meeting by attending in person or watching live at <https://www.charlescityschools.org/article/live-stream/>

Attendance  
Voting Members  
Josh Mack, School Board Member  
Dara Jaeger, School Board Member  
Bruce Koebnick, School Board President  
1. Call to Order, Board President  
President Koebnick called the special meeting to order at 12:02 pm.  
2. Roll Call, Board Secretary  
3. Approval of Agenda  
It was resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Dara Jaeger  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
4. Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 26-27 Property Tax

President Koebnick announced that this is the time, place, and date to hold a public hearing on the matter of the Proposed 2026-27 Property Tax. An inquiry was made as to whether any written comments or objections had been filed by any residents of the District. No written comments or objections were received prior to the hearing. Oral comments or objections were then called for and none were made. No public comments or objections were presented at the hearing.

5. Adjournment  
It was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 pm.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
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### Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT  
FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN  
THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
CAROLYN LANTZ, DECEASED.  
CASE NO. ESRP019226

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Carolyn Lantz, Deceased, who died on or about March 12, 2026:

You are hereby notified that on April 1, 2026, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for approval, and unless so filed by the later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Jason Lantz, Administrator of the Estate  
1 Post Road  
Mason City, Iowa 50401

Nathaniel William Schwickerath,  
ICIS#: AT0007110  
Attorney for the Administrator  
Schwickerath, P.C.  
2069 170th Street  
New Hampton, IA 50659

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Attendance  
Voting Members  
Josh Mack, School Board Member  
Dr. David Schrodt, School Board Member  
Dara Jaeger, School Board Member  
Bruce Koebnick, School Board President  
1. Call to Order, Board President  
President Koebnick called the special meeting to order at 12:05 pm.  
2. Roll Call, Board Secretary  
3. Approval of Agenda  
It was resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
4. Personnel  
Motion made by: Dara Jaeger  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved

5. FEH Bid Proposals  
FEH Design requested authorization to begin the bidding process for Phase 1.  
Motion made by: Dara Jaeger  
Motion seconded by: Josh Mack  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved

6. Set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 26-27

Budget  
It was resolved to set the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 26-27 Budget for April 13th, at 5:30 pm at High School Library at 1 Comet Dr, Charles City IA 50616.

Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved

7. Set the Date, Time, and Place for the Public Hearing on the SAVE Bonds  
It was resolved to set the date for a Hearing on the Proposed Issuance of Approximately \$12,500,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds for April 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm at the High School Library, 1 Comet Dr Charles City IA 50616.

Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved

8. eRate Internet Services  
It was resolved not to bring this item off the table.

9. Chromebook Purchase  
It was resolved to approve the Chromebook Purchase as presented.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved

10. Adjournment  
It was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 pm.  
Motion made by: Josh Mack  
Motion seconded by: Dara Jaeger  
Voting:  
Unanimously Approved  
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