

REGULAR MEETING

The Fairbank City Council met in regular session on Monday April 13, 2026. Mayor Kayser called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: R. Woods, Williams, Erickson, T. Woods, and Gruetzmacher. Absent: None. Also, present at City Hall: Nick Kuker, Public Works; Michelle Laube, Deputy Clerk; and Brittany Fuller, City Clerk.

Motion by Williams, second by Erickson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Erickson, second by R. Woods to open the public hearing on the proposed FY2027 Budget. Motion carried. No comments were received. Motion by Williams, second by T. Woods to close the public hearing on the FY2027 Budget. Motion carried.

Motion by R. Woods, second by T. Woods to approve **Resolution 2026-13 – Resolution Approving City of Fairbank’s Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2027**. The tax rate set by the city was \$9.00001. Roll call vote- Ayes: R. Woods, T. Woods, Erickson, Gruetzmacher, and Williams. Nays: None.

Motion by Williams, second by T. Woods to remove the Payment of Bills and approve the following consent agenda items as presented: March 23rd Regular Meeting Minutes and March 23rd Special Meeting Minutes, and the Treasurer’s Report for March 2026. Roll call vote- Ayes: Williams, T. Woods, R. Woods, Gruetzmacher, and Erickson. Nays: None. Motion by R. Woods, second by Gruetzmacher to approve the Payment of Bills adding two more bills from Iowa Sports Supply for Little League supplies. The bill listing will be placed at the end of the minutes. Roll call vote- Ayes: R. Woods, Gruetzmacher, T. Woods, Williams, and Erickson. Nays: None.

Treasurers Report for the Month of March 2026: Revenues - General, \$27,244.56; Special Revenue, \$25,079.79; TIF, \$5,168.30; Capital Projects, \$35.40; Permanent Funds, \$18.49; Proprietary, \$301,195.88; and Transfers In, \$28,055.00. Disbursements - General, \$18,604.53; Special Revenue, \$5,845.49; Proprietary, \$207,945.96; and Transfers Out, \$28,055.00. Balance on hand at close of business on March 31, 2026 was \$4,901,097.21.

Bob Shields with the Fairbank Historical Society present some work that he had been doing on researching a church called the Little Stone Church that used to be located on the Northeast side of the Fairbank Cemetery. He asked permission about looking into seeing if there was a foundation in that area and that he would keep the council updated on what he finds. Steve and Sandy Osterhaus attended to discuss their request to allow quails in town. That will be discussed at the next meeting.

One RFP was received for the Veteran’s Park shelter. Mayor Kayser opened the bid and it was from Woods Construction for \$78,620.00. Motion by Gruetzmacher, second by Erickson to accept the bid from Woods Construction. Roll call vote- Ayes: Gruetzmacher, Erickson, Williams, and T. Woods. Nays: None. Abstain: R. Woods. Nick stated that he will be doing the electrical work and Fairbank Plumbing and Heating Inc. estimated the plumbing at \$4,700.00. Also, that they would work on getting water and sewer to the location and then the shelter could be started fairly soon.

Motion by Gruetzmacher, second by Williams to approve the second reading of Ordinance 380 – Ordinance Amending Official Zoning Map for the rezoning of the 700 block of Fairbank Street from R-1 to R-2. Motion carried. Abstain: R. Woods. Nays: None.

Motion by Williams, second by Gruetzmacher to approve the second reading of Ordinance 381 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Rates for Collection of Solid Waste. Motion carried.

There was some discussion regarding a ROW Agreement with Kinetic by Windstream for their proposal for a fiber project in town but there was no finalized verbiage decided. More information needs to be researched, and Attorney Prendergast would also need to be available to help finalize the ROW Agreement.

During the council/mayor comments, Mayor Kayser stated that he was contacted by a previous employer who was working for another town that had a sewer camera available to purchase if the city was interested. He said he’d get some more information for the council. He also mentioned that Prairie Road Builders had been driving around town already looking at the roads.

During the department reports, Nick stated that they were able to go around and fix the plow divots from this past winter and he reminded everyone about hydrant flushing that will be starting on Monday April 20th. Councilman Gruetzmacher reported that Little League will be receiving a \$2,500.00

grant from The Kernels Foundation for the batting cage. He also asked about the porta potties being delivered but that information had not been received yet.

Motion by Williams, second by T. Woods to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM. Motion carried.

Bills for the Month of April 2026

3E Delaware Generators, Supplies	\$	602.50
Access Systems, Copier/Printer Maintenance	\$	191.45
Olivia Becker, Services	\$	60.00
Black Hawk Health Department, Food License	\$	150.00
Bound Tree Medical, LLC., Supplies	\$	2,047.95
Lonnie Brewer, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$	75.00
Butler County Rec, Electric and Services	\$	61,420.34
Caleb Erickson, Utility Deposit Refund	\$	200.00
Carrico Aquatic Products, Summer Agreement	\$	2,375.00
Casey's General Store, Gas	\$	754.75
Clayton Energy Corporation, Natural Gas	\$	23,531.46
Clayton Energy Corporation, Reservation	\$	16,705.46
Crossroads Mobile Maintenance, Services	\$	4,092.15
Danko Emergency Equipment, Equipment	\$	1,956.08
Delta Dental of Iowa, April Premium	\$	21.96
Display Sales, Christmas Banner	\$	2,721.00
Don's Truck Sales, Supplies	\$	19.48
Engineered Equipment Solutions, Supplies	\$	576.00
Fairbank Development Corp., Fairbank Days Sponsorship	\$	1,500.00
Fairbank Postmaster, Utility Bills April 2026	\$	213.50
City of Fairbank, Electric and Gas	\$	6,410.52
Brittany Fuller, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$	75.00
Gordon Flesch Company Inc., Copier/Printer Maintenance	\$	228.28
IAMU, Member Dues	\$	5,850.33
ICAP, 2026 Annual Premium	\$	78,598.40
Iowa Insurance Division, Filing Fee	\$	37.50
Iowa Prison Industries, Supplies	\$	463.98
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc., Water	\$	7,877.48
Ipers, Benefits	\$	6,033.99
Iowa Sport Supply, Supplies	\$	756.00
Jetco, Inc., Services	\$	1,478.75
John Deere Financial, Supplies	\$	230.07
Kluesner Sanitation, LLC., Services	\$	7,777.00
Nick Kuker, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$	75.00
Kyle Shores, Little League Fees	\$	100.00
Michelle Laube, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$	75.00
Little Wapsie Communications, Static IP Addresses/SW Phone	\$	64.06
MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center, Drug Testing	\$	733.00
Metering & Technology Solutions, Equipment	\$	2,314.33
Microbac Laboratories, Inc., Testing	\$	486.00
Modern Building Products, Supplies	\$	1,107.43
NE Security Bank, Payroll Processing Fee 3/2/26	\$	10.00
NE Security Bank, Payroll Processing Fee 3/16/26	\$	8.67
NE Security Bank, Utility ACH Service Charge	\$	10.00
NSB/HSA - H S A Contributions	\$	520.00
NSB/HSA- H S A Payroll Deductions	\$	200.00
Oelwein Publishing, Publishings	\$	847.90
Treasurer-State of Iowa, State Withholding Tax	\$	3,250.58
Pratt's Pest Control, Monthly Pest Control	\$	95.00
Premier Technology, Services	\$	656.90
Quick Med Claims, Ambulance Billing	\$	283.79
Roberts, Stevens, Prendergast, Attorney Fees	\$	1,443.75
Roto Rooter Sewer-Drain Service, Services	\$	5,011.00
Rydell of Independence, Services	\$	396.75
Sam's Club Mc/SynCb, Supplies	\$	58.75

Sandee's, Supplies	\$	75.00
Ken Schnor, Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$	115.48
Section 6 Inc., Services	\$	200.00
Stuart. C. Irby Co., Supplies	\$	464.84
Sun Life Assurance Comp, Life Policies	\$	108.14
Superior Welding Supply Co., Oxygen	\$	67.82
Treasurer-State of Iowa, March 26 Sales Tax	\$	3,978.80
Treasurer State of Iowa, March 26 WT Excise Tax	\$	1,339.20
U. S. Treasury, 941 Taxes	\$	7,337.98
U.S. Bank, PEFA Commodity	\$	1,055.64
USA Bluebook, Testing Supplies	\$	206.59
Utility Safety & Design Inc., Services	\$	77.50
Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	\$	340.66
Visa, AVAYA Phone System/Microsoft Email Accounts/Supplies	\$	3,249.75
Wellmark, April Premium	\$	3,335.56
Windstream Enterprise, Gas Alarm Phone Line	\$	68.52
Collin Woods, Grave Opening	\$	1,050.00
The Fairbank Library Board Approved the Following Bills on April 1, 2026:		
Amazon Capital Services, Books & Supplies	\$	780.28
Brock Berg, Services	\$	160.00
Blank Park Zoo, Programming	\$	205.00
City of Fairbank, Electric & Gas	\$	233.94
NE Security Bank, Payroll Processing Fee 3/16/26	\$	1.33
IAMU, Member Dues	\$	107.67
ICAP, 2026 Annual Premium	\$	2,981.60
Premier Technology, Services	\$	86.25
Visa, AVAYA Phone System/Microsoft Email Accounts/Supplies/Office 365	\$	210.02

Jason Kayser, Mayor

Brittany Fuller, City Clerk