Pleasantville City Council Meeting
October 20, 2026, at 5:30pm

Mayor Kody Jurgens opened the meeting with council members Aaron Hurt, Rachel Lopez, Chelsea Kain, Kyle Patterson, and Jordan Van Ness present. Council Member Aaron Hurt arrived at 5:36pm.

City Administrator, Rachel Reynolds, reported that the Christmas On The Square Committee is working on finalizing the events for this year's celebration. This year's events will include live reindeer sponsored by McKay Group, carriage rides sponsored by Peoples Bank, Santa and cookie decorating at Lakefront Living, laser tag at the Memorial Hall, hot chocolate from Smokey Row, wine tasting at Realty One, living windows at Pleasantville Youth Initiative, special drink at HalfTime, Caroling on the square by the PHS choir, and more.

Mayor Jurgens told Chief Choat that he talked to Public Works Director Breazeale about nuisance abatements for Chief Choat to address.

Library Board Director Sarah Reid reported strong attendance at the library's annual pumpkin painting event. Upcoming programs include a presentation this Friday on Iowa and the Civil War and a sourdough class.

Citizen Comments: Kim McNerny, 515 Highway G-40, requested an update on the large equipment at 302 N Washington St and asked about code compliance. Chief Choat reported significant progress in bringing in tow trucks and removing vehicles from the property. McNerny also asked Breazeale about activity on G-40 east; he reported none yet. Mayor Jurgens explained that the project's cost requires the city to solicit multiple bids, extending the process.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Van Ness to approve the consent agenda as follows; approval of previous council meeting minutes, approval of September 2026 financial reports, approval of the Annual Urban Renewal Report for FY 2026, approval of water consumption report for September 2026, approval of employee comp time report, and approval of the following bills: All voting in favor, motion carried.

IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA Excise Tax	1,867.82	MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	3/4 RD ST	2,269.35
DEMCO INC	covers,bookmark,poster	219.47	AT&T Mobility	internet	128.31
VISA	books,thankyou,buscard,TP	928.16	IOWA POND GUY, LLC	Pont Maint	750.00
LEXIPOL, LLC	Annual Law Enf Manual	3,218.98	MCCORMICK ENTERPRISES	8" pipe	230.80
ILEA	De-Escalation	25.00	SMITH'S SEWER SERVICE	JetVac	925.00
HARVEY ELECTRIC	labor/6x6 plate/sealtile	477.21	MARION CO EMA	Brooks Dr address markers	300.00
WASTE SOLUTIONS OF IOWA	port a potty sludge removal	146.00	MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	Subscription	65.00
ABBY K GLANN	Zoom July,Aug, Sept 2026	50.97	EFTPS	Payroll_91626	6,234.19
SECRETARY OF STATE	Notary Choat/Lenger	60.00	BLUE SOMBRERO	ACH Fee	3.00
POSTMASTER	Water Bill Postage	369.85	SANGOMA USA INC	Phone system	197.43
COLONIAL LIFE	INSURANCE W/H PAYABLE	105.27	FARM & HOME	gloves/nozzle grip/cable	67.35
IPERS	IPERS W/H PAYABLE	8,419.39	VEENSTRA AND KIMM, INC	Building/Trade Permits	1,270.00
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS	life insurance	274.18	I & S GROUP, INC	Genteral/Water Engineering	2,455.00
TREASURER-STATE OF IA	Withholding	1,315.69	IA DNR	Annual Water Use Fee	120.00
VSP	Vision	222.91	MICROBAC LAORATORIES INC	Testing	617.00
WELLMARK BL CR/BL SH	Insurance	14,205.02	MARION CO HUMANE SOCIETY	Animal Control	417.50
CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	Cleaning	475.00	M. SHINN TRUCKING	softener salt	621.04
PLEASANTVILLE EMS	Quarterly Payment	24,513.50	FERGUSON WATERWORKS	Meters	1,241.99
EFTPS	Fed. Taxes	6,314.23	US AUTOFORCE	tires/rim guard	418.91
RACHEL REYNOLDS	Reimb Mi to AURR Class	81.67	CELESTE CRAFTY CORNER	Sept Cleaning	343.75
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	B-ball jerseys/city shirts	1,070.00	PRAIRIE AG SUPPLY	oil/filter	126.00
MIDWEST SANITATION	Trash	375.00	HAWKINS INC	supplies	10.00
WAGNER & MILLER	Thermostat	171.36	GALLS, LLC	Removable Name Tag	40.49
IOWA ONE CALL	Locates	93.60	T-MOBILE	Communications	53.10
ACCESS SYSTEMS INC	Copy Machine	224.10	HAWKINS INC	supplies	10.00
ELITE PEST CONTROL	Pest Control	230.00	BRICK GENTRY PC	General Legal	2,520.00
PITNEY BOWES INC	Postage	100.00	BRICK GENTRY PC	Adkins	2,280.00
MEDIACOM	Street Dept	46.82	AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.	Water Contract	264.00
BOUND TO STAY BOUND	Books	299.08	TROY GILCHRIST	Cell Stipend	20.00
MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	Publications	415.96	TYLER FLESHER	Cell Stipend	20.00
MIDWEST SANITATION	Recycling	2,202.20	VISA	training/supplies/wiper	418.42
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	Payroll Checks	148.00	VISA	parts/boots	419.95
CITY OF PLEASANTVILLE	Water Bills	1,201.37	VISA	concessions	96.94
HACH	TESTING	221.60	VISA	Microsoft/Uattend/emails	431.04
AIR-CON MECHANICAL CORP	BACKFLOW TESTING	300.00	JOELLEN GLICK	ILA mileage reimbursement	188.48
CARGILL, INC.	SALT	4,220.63	VISA	books/supplies/crafts/maint	1,961.65
MID AMERICAN ENERGY	Utilities	5,749.36	VERIZON	communications	60.20
EFTPS	Payroll_101426	6,406.16	DOLLAR GENERAL	batteries/PD supplies	57.90
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	Medical	24.32	MARION COUNTY EXPRESS	publications	681.73
CASEY'S MASTERCARD	Fuel	2,812.14	UNITI	Internet	170.00

PEOPLES BANK	Safe Deposit Box Rental	45.00	WASTE SOLUTIONS OF IOWA	Soccer Field Portable toilet	146.00
ADVANTAGE ADMINS	Group Ins	52.50	Total		189772.85
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	Sales Tax	440.46	***General***		70589.32
IOWA STATE DEPT OF REV	WA Excise Tax	1,426.43	***Road Use Tax***		74799.26
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	Jerseys/wrestling shirts	939.00	***Employee Benefits***		12851.45
UNITI	Library Internet	147.62	***Water***		21340.22
LAKEFRONT LIVING, LLC	Coach Shirt Add on	50.00	***Sewer***		10143.12
MICHAEL FREDERICK	Billy&Jane	25.00	***Storm Water***		49.48
MANATT'S INC	Asphalt Work	68,393.30			

Revenue received during month of September 2026: General Fund $86,308.36; Road Use Tax $21,033.56; Employee Benefits $10,642.12; LOST $31,993.00; TIF $2,498.43; Debt Service $10,809.20; Water $39,961.26; Water Sinking $10,584; Sewer $56,678.54; Sewer Sinking $32,203.70; Storm Water $2,076.57

New Business:

Engineer Joey Whitehouse reviewed the application to split a parcel at 317 Jersey Dr., 0.43 miles southwest of the city limits. The proposed split would separate the end of the lot for a new residence. No concerns were identified for the city, and Whitehouse recommended approval. Motion by Patterson to approve the parcel split, seconded by Van Ness. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Breazeale reported that Marion County Rural Water (MCRW) requested a one-year water service extension for April 1st through September 30th at the increased rate. He cautioned that approval could create chloride compliance issues during high-usage summer months. MCRW attorney Jake Hughes explained that the board sought service through the end of summer to allow time to install its water transmission line. Council Member Hurt asked whether MCRW could fund a solution to the high chloride levels; Breazeale said no solutions were available. Whitehouse noted that chloride levels rise during high-usage summer months. Breazeale said chloride compliance became mandatory in August, following a planning period to demonstrate to the DNR how compliance would be maintained. Whitehouse explained that the spring and summer objective was to test chloride levels at usage levels reflecting future city demand without rural water service. The goal was to determine whether modifications and upgrades to the existing plant could avoid the need for a new plant. Supplying additional water would create a risk, leaving chloride levels under projected future conditions uncertain. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson, to maintain the current offer of six months of service at the same rate paid by city residents. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Breazeale explained to the council that he misunderstood the quote from Stivers Ford that the council approved last month. The engine upgrade was not included in the original quote. The additional cost for the engine upgrade is $2,595. He is requesting to add spray in bed liner, mud flaps, and running boards. The total cost of these upgrades is $3,750 and will be paid from the road use tax equipment replacement fund. Motion by Hurt, seconded by Patterson to approve the engine upgrade and additional options. All voting in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Hurt, seconded by Van Ness to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(j) to discuss the sale of particular real estate, the city lot at 1012 W Pleasant St., where premature disclosure could reasonably be expected to reduce the price the city would receive. All voting in favor, motion carried.

No action was taken after the closed session.

Motion by Patterson, seconded by Hurt to adjourn. All voting in favor motion carried.

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Mayor, Kody Jurgens

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Attest: Rachel Reynolds, City Clerk