

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2026 • 6:00 P.M. • City Hall, Macksburg, Iowa

1. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Kevin Jackson called the regular meeting of the Macksburg City Council to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Council Members Matt Owens, Rhonda Dean, Rick Bruett, Logan Lande, and Jimi Davis.

Absent: None.

Citizens Present: Becky Faust, Shelli Hensley.

2. Consideration of Agenda

Council Member J. Davis moved to approve the agenda. Council Member R. Bruett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Consider Adoption of the Consent Agenda – **NOTE:** *These items are routine and will be enacted by one motion without separate discussion unless a Council Member requests an item be removed.*

- a. **Minutes, March 11, 2026, Regular Meeting – Amended**
- b. **Minutes, April 5, 2026 – Regular Meeting**
- c. **Treasurer Report: April 2026 – Attached**
- d. **Bills: May 2026 – Attached**

Council Member M. Owens moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member R. Dean seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Becky Faust – Greater Madison County Community Foundation Grant

Becky Faust from the Greater Madison County Community Foundation presented a grant check in the amount of \$4,490.93 for improvements to the Basketball Court. Mayor Jackson and the Council Members accepted the check on behalf of the City.

5. Public Forum – *The Mayor and City Council welcome comments from the public on any subject pertaining to City business. Please state your name and address for the record and limit remarks to 3 minutes. Action may or may not be taken.*

None.

6. City Council Board Communication

The City Clerk noted that the City's flag was tattered and ripped and inquired about a replacement. The Flag Committee Members installed the new flag following the meeting.

Council Member M. Owens made a motion to hold a special meeting on Monday, May 18, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall, open to the public, to discuss possible City activities involving the CEM during the Skillet Throw for the City's 150th Anniversary. Council Member L. Lande seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: M. Owens, R. Dean, R. Bruett, L. Lande. Nays: J. Davis.

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7. Old Business

a. **County Treasurer Payment Update**

The City Clerk reported there are no updates regarding the County Treasurer payment despite multiple attempts to make contact.

b. **Updated Dog Ordinance**

The City Council is continuing to work on the next steps for the dog ordinance in coordination with the City Attorney.

c. **Nuisance Enforcement / Qualified Animal Control Officer**

Council Member M. Owens reported that he contacted Attorney Megan Weeks of Afton regarding the current dog ordinance and the possibility of her serving as the City's attorney. Attorney Weeks currently serves several small towns and expressed willingness to take on the City of Macksburg as a client.

d. **Tree Grant**

Mayor Jackson reported that the City received a tree grant in the amount of \$2,500. The check was sent directly to Bedwell Garden. The Mayor expects to pick up the trees within the next week or so; they will be planted on the east side of East Street heading north out of town along the frontage.

e. **Noise Ordinance Reading**

Council Member M. Owens made a motion to schedule the first reading of the new Macksburg City Noise Ordinance during the regular City Council meeting on June 1, 2026. Council Member R. Bruett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

f. **Fireworks for Skillet Throw**

The CEM requested the City consider contributing funds toward fireworks planned for Friday, June 19, 2026, the evening before the Skillet Throw. The City Council declined due to concerns about the impact of fireworks noise on domestic and farm animals. Ayes: M. Owens. Nays: R. Bruett, L. Lande, R. Dean. Abstained: J. Davis. Motion failed.

8. New Business

a. **Nuisance Complaints Received**

A nuisance complaint was received regarding the City of Macksburg website being down. The City Clerk reported the website was hacked; the bare-bones site has been restored and she is working to fully restore it.

b. **City Attorney Update**

Council Member L. Lande made a motion to hire Megan Weeks as the new City Attorney at an annual retainer of \$3,000. Council Member R. Dean seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: J. Davis, R. Dean, R. Bruett, L. Lande. Abstained: M. Owens.

Council Member R. Dean made a motion to terminate services with the current City Attorney. Council Member L. Lande seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: J. Davis, R. Dean, R. Bruett, L. Lande. Abstained: M. Owens.

c. **Second Dumpster for City-Wide Clean-Up Consideration**

Council Member L. Lande made a motion to obtain a second dumpster for the City-Wide Clean-Up, with a tentative delivery date of May 14, 2026, and pickup on Monday, May 18, 2026, at a cost of \$375.00. Council Member R. Bruett seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

d. **Bids for Cleaning City Hall**

Council Member M. Owens made a motion to authorize the City to accept bids for cleaning services at City Hall, including: monthly cleaning of the City Hall Office, Library, and Food Pantry (windows, dusting, vacuuming, and floors); and weekly cleaning of the public restroom with a spot-check of the Food Pantry and Library. Bids are accepted through May 31, 2026, and must be submitted to the City Clerk at Macksburgiowa@gmail.com or mailed

to City of Macksburg, PO Box 144, Macksburg, IA 50155. All bidders must carry insurance. Council Member L. Lande seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

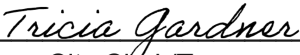
e. **Restore Park Benches in City Park**

The Ragbrai Committee will restore park benches in the City of Macksburg using Ragbrai funds. Informational only; no action required.

9. Adjournment

Council Member M. Owens moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member R. Bruett seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Macksburg City Council will be held on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at Macksburg City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.



Tricia Gardner, City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: May 5, 2026

City of Macksburg – Contact Information

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2026 City Committees

Mayor Pro Tem: Jimi Davis

Lights: Jimi Davis & Matt Owens

Parks: Jimi Davis, Rhonda Dean, Logan Lande, Kevin Jackson, Rick Bruett & Matt Owens

Street: Kevin Jackson, Matt Owens, Logan Lande & Rick Bruett

Flag: Jimi Davis & Matt Owens

Administration: Tricia Gardner & Rhonda Dean

Treasurer Report: April 2026

Attachment 3c • Account Activity and Income YTD FY 2026

Account Summary

Account Name	Open Balance	Amount Out	Amount In	Closing Balance
Checking	\$1,900.20	\$1,199.38	\$1,942.00	\$2,642.82
Savings	\$359,892.28	\$2,331.51	\$16,182.97	\$373,743.74
CD	\$26,946.96	\$0.00	\$1,077.88	\$28,024.84
Total	\$388,739.44	\$3,530.89	\$18,124.97	\$404,411.40

Account Detail

	Checking	Savings	Income	CD	CD Balance
Last Balance	\$1,900.20	\$359,892.28	–	x3077	\$8,212.96
Transfer	\$1,942.00	\$2,331.51	–	x3078	\$9,675.28
Disbursements	\$1,199.38	\$15,793.46	–	x3079	\$10,136.60
Loan Payment	–	\$389.51	–	–	–

Income Sources

Income Source	Amount	Account
Madison County	\$14,278.06	Savings
RUT	\$738.45	Savings
LOST	\$1,166.46	Savings
Interest	–	Savings
ABD	–	Savings
LOST	–	Savings

Closing Balances

Account	Balance
Checking Account	\$2,642.82
Savings Account	\$373,743.74
C.D.'s	\$28,024.84
Total	\$404,411.40

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Bills: May 2026

Attachment 3d • City of Macksburg Claims Approved May 2026

Check No.	Issued To	Purpose	Fund	Amount
Online	Alliant Energy	Macksburg City Lights	230	\$507.75
Online	Alliant Energy	W. North St. City Park Lt	430	\$74.32
Online	Alliant Energy	106 W. North St. City Hall	299	\$54.95
Online	Alliant Energy	306 E South St. Maintenance Building	299	\$197.82
Online	Alliant Energy	North St. N Side Park	430	\$27.81
Online	Alliant Energy	North St. South Side	430	\$27.12
	Alliant Energy Subtotal		\$889.77	
Online	SIRWA	306 E South St.	299	\$47.20
Online	SIRWA	Water/Sewage Usage	299	\$141.60
	SIRWA Subtotal		\$188.80	
Online	Union State Bank	Loan Payment	710	\$389.51
Online	Ready Roll Off	City Wide Cleanup Dumpster	299	\$375.00
Online	Thompson Lawn Solutions	Mow City Property 2x	430	\$260.00
4006	Midwest Service	Early Spring Application	430	\$203.30
4007	Midwest Service	Slit Seeding City Park/Ragbrai	430	\$400.00
4008	United States Postal Service	12 Month Box Rental	650.1	\$68.00
Total				\$2,774.38

The above claims were presented and approved (unless shown as stricken) by the council at the above-dated meeting.

Attest: Tricia Gardner
City Clerk

Mayor