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Cedar county board

BOARD PROCEEDINGS (FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES.FULL TEXT OF DAY'S MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT AUDITOR'S OFFICE OR ON OUR WEBSITE--WWW.CEDARCOUNTY.IOWA.GOV) TIPTON, IOWA November 12, 2025 Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. November 12, 2025 with following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, and Chairperson Bell. Kaufmann absent. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of public were also present. Board viewed correspondence from various agencies. It noted following Handwritten Disbursement issued on 11/7/2025 to Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #444126 for \$1,695.91-self funded medical claims. Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to approve agenda. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve Board Minutes of November

4, 2025. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve Claim Disbursements #443980 - #444125 paid on 11/6/2025. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended. Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to approve Home Base Iowa application for Daniel Tucker. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Discussion held on Amicus Curiae Couser v. Shelby County ISAC letter. Bixler informed Board that other counties are participating. Bell said this will be tabled until next week when entire Board is present. Discussion held on IPERS classification codes for elected officials. In January 2022 IPERS issued a memo requesting that counties update classification of elected officials to a newly created category within their system. This change has created an issue with retirement from other employment. IPERS has since confirmed that elected officials may be classified as either full-time or part-time. Reclassifying Supervisors as part-time elected officials would allow them option to decline IPERS coverage. This change has been reviewed by HR Attorney Galloway and Wellmark and would not affect county provided health and dental benefit eligibility. Handbook does not currently reflect this and will need to be changed. Moved by Bixler seconded by Barnhart to approve classification code change for supervisor elected officials and update handbook to say Salaried elected officials (including supervisors, Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff and County Attorney) are considered full-time employees for purpose of county benefit eligibility, regardless of IPERS classification of scheduled hours worked. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann At 8:45 a.m. a public hearing held for review/consideration/action on following petition: James and Anne Hodges Trust & Hanks Family Revocable Trust, 3961 Rollingwood Drive NW, Cedar Rapids, IA (Owners) and Philip and Jennifer Hanks, 3023 160th St., Dyersville, IA (Buyers) - Requesting a change in zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential for purpose of allowing construction of a single-family. Jennifer Hanks, Harlan Hanks, Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue, Engineer Fangmann were in attendance. No written or verbal objections on file. Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to approve zoning from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Suburban Residential for purpose of allowing construction of a single-family dwelling on property described as Lot 1, located in SW 1/4, SE 1/4, Section 30, T-79N, R-4W, in Springdale Township, consisting of 1.49 acres more or less and waive second hearing. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann At 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors, convened as a 1st tier Canvass Board to canvass votes cast in City/School Elections of November 4, 2025. Auditor Welch met with Board. Present were Supervisors: Gaul, Bixler, Barnhart and Chairperson Bell. Thereupon results from several precincts were opened and examined with results duly entered in Official Canvass Book and attested to by Board and Cedar County Auditor. Declared duly elected in Cedar County were: City of Bennett Joe Sparks----Mayor JoAnne Schneekloth, Christina Eicher and Nathan Wolf----Councilpersons At Large City of Clarence Steve Bixler----Mayor Lori Dennis, Emily Meyer and Sean McMann----Councilpersons At Large City of Mechanicsville Andrew J. Oberbreckling----Mayor Zachary Randolph and James Dale Studer----Councilpersons At Large City of Lowden Nicholas Lange and Kasey Sander----Councilpersons At Large Alan Carlson and Gene Hamdorf----Councilperson At Large (To Fill A Vacancy) City of Starwood Nick Ganoe, David E Siebels and Terri Knapp----Councilpersons At Large

City of Tipton Kevin Koob----Councilperson-Ward 1 (To Fill A Vacancy) Mike Helm----Councilperson-Ward 2 Abby Cummins-Vanscoy---- Councilperson At Large Tipton School Dionne Daedlow and Julie Williams---- Director At Large Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to approve right of way contracts for project L-202602--73-16. Tammy R Mather Revocable Trust-Acres-Dollars Permanent Easement-0.22-\$3,544.90 Temporary Easement-0.08-\$250.00 Total--\$3,794.90 Tammy R Mather Revocable Trust-Acres-Dollars Permanent Easement-0.24-\$3,365.20 Temporary Easement-0.09-\$250.00 Total--\$3,615.20 Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Moved by Barnhart seconded by Sup Gaul to authorize Chairperson Bell to sign Iowa Department of Transportation Federal-aid Agreement for a County Highway Bridge Program Project Recipient: Cedar County Project No: BROS-C016(124)--8J-16. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bell to approve a utility permit to Eastern Iowa Light and Power on Taylor Avenue and waive \$100 fee. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Absent: Bixler Moved by Barnhart seconded by Bixler to adjourn at 9:51 a.m., to November 18, 2025. Ayes: All Absent: Kaufmann Jon Bell, Chairperson Nicki Welch, Auditor WBT 48

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CEDAR COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROL B. SLACH, Deceased. Probate No. ESPR 0119926 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Carol B. Slach, Deceased, who died on or about October 31, 2025: You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of November, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Carol B. Slach, Deceased, bearing date of the 31st day of August, 2022, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Gary B. Slach was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereaf-

ter be forever barred. Notice is further 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 allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated this 20th day of November 2025. GARY B. SLACH 200 Ridge View Drive West Branch, IA 52358 Executor of Estate Danica L. Bird, ICIS#: AT0014223 Leff Law Firm, L.L.P. 222 South Linn Street Iowa City, IA 52240 Attorneys for Executor Date of second publication: December 4, 2025 (Date to be inserted by publisher) Probate Code Section 304 WBT 48-49

Legal Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CEDAR COUNTY JOHN H. GILLENWATER and MARY S. GILLENWATER, Plaintiffs, vs. UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS of the following described real estate in Cedar County, Iowa, to wit: Auditor's Parcel 'O', located on Lot 46, Block 6, West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, as shown in Plat Book M at Page 73 in the Cedar County Recorder's Office, more particularly described as follows: A portion of Block 6 of Hollingsworth's Division of Cameron, now West Branch, Iowa more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the North 1/4 Corner of Section 8, Township 79 North, Range 4 West of the 5th P.M., thence S01°25'35"E along the East line of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of said Section 8 and the east of Lot 49 in Block 6 of Hollingsworth's Division of Cameron, now West Branch, Iowa as recorded in Book 'E' on Pages 436-439 in the Records of the Cedar County, Iowa Recorder, 202.44 feet to the South line of the East-West Alley in said Block 6; thence N88°58'52"E along the South line of the vacated alley running east-west in Block 5 of said Hollingsworth's Division, 123.77 feet to the Northeast Corner of Lot 57 in said Block 5; thence S01°25'15"E along the East line of Lot 57 and the southerly projection thereof, 264.66 feet to a point on the perimeter of the Plat of Survey recorded in Book C at Page 47 in the Office of the Cedar County, Iowa Recorder; thence S89°00'10"W along said perimeter, 123.75 feet; thence S89°02'06"W along said perimeter, 215.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence S01°45'53"E, 511.67 feet to its intersection with the easterly extension of the South line of aforementioned Plat of Survey; thence S87°21'07"W along said easterly extension, 63.33 feet to the southeast corner of said Plat of Survey; thence N01°25'15"W along the perimeter of said Plat of Survey, 513.50 feet; thence N89°02'06"E along said perimeter, 60.25 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.73 acres and is subject to any easements and restrictions of records. Defendants. CASE NO. EQCV 037317 ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: You are hereby notified that Plaintiffs' Petition is now on file in the SEE LEGALS, P7

CITY OF WEST BRANCH IOWA The City of West Branch, Iowa, seeks a Full-Time Street Maintenance/ Public Works Employee Mowing, mechanical, concrete, and a willingness to learn are highly desirable skills. Comes with low deductible health insurance or stipend, IPERS retirement, incentive wages for certifications, performance-based merit pay, and triennial salary survey updates to keep pay competitive. Hiring scale is \$21.50 and \$22.00 with CDL. Applications due by December 31, 2025 EOE. Please submit application, resume or cover letter, and three references to adam@westbranchiowa.org https://westbranchiowa.org/city-of-west-branch/jobs/

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# Tempers flare, but council OK's holiday compromise for day after Thanksgiving

## City staff regain four-day weekend just in time for holiday season

By Gregory R. Norfleet  
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It took two tries, some finger-pointing, a bit of shouting, and compromise, but city staff regained a four-day Thanksgiving weekend.

In March, the West Branch City Council voted 3-2 to grant a request by City Administrator Adam Kofeod that the staff get a day off to recognize the Juneteenth holiday.

However, as part of the deal, the council took away the day after Thanksgiving.

In June, the council hired a new city clerk, Alycia Horras, now Alycia Friis. And Friis worked with city staff in an effort to get that day back.

At the Nov. 17 City

Council meeting, she proposed that city staff give up five hours of accrued sick time, and asked the city council to grant them three hours of time off. That would give the staff a combined eight hours of time off to use for the day after Thanksgiving.

But the council voted 3-2 to turn down the offer.

So, on Friday, at a special meeting trying to strike a deal before Thanksgiving, Friis made a new offer: City staff would give up eight hours of sick time.

This time, the measure passed, 3-1. Council members Jodee Stoolman, Jerry Sexton, and Colton Miller voted "yes," and Tom Dean voted "no." Council member Mike Horihan was

absent.

But the discussion around creating a 12th staff holiday brought out some strong feelings.

Dean opposed the idea, saying that sick time is use-it-or-lose-it, and it is not a benefit if someone does not take advantage of it. Under this deal, the staff effectively change sick time to vacation time and he would prefer the staff use what the handbook already deems vacation time.

"We give a generous vacation package with time off," he said. "This is another burden on the citizens of West Branch."

Stoolman reminded the council that, back in March, she wanted to ask city staff their opin-

ion on gaining Juneteenth but losing the day after Thanksgiving. Dean also agreed with that sentiment.

At the time, Kofeod argued that he sent his proposal to the council in advance of the meeting, but no one raised any questions. He added that local Quakers helped fight American slavery and city staff should take the day off to honor that effort.

"We were founded on Quaker roots and humanity. So, I have an issue with going back and asking the employees," the city administrator said in March.

These two points convinced Stoolman, Sexton, and Dean to favor the March resolution, while

Miller and Horihan opposed it.

Now, eight months later, Stoolman agreed to the compromise because the staff expressed their opinions.

"This all could have been avoided if Adam would've talked to his employees and asked their opinions before he brought it to us. But that didn't happen," she said.

Kofeod defended his proposal to recognize Juneteenth, noting that a local group, Humans for Racial Justice, brought the idea to his attention.

"It was a group that came and asked for the day off. It was not me," he said.

"OK, then why didn't it get presented as a floating holiday?" Stoolman asked.

"It got presented by a group that was for it, the

human rights group," he said. "It was not presented by me as a suggestion or an idea."

Stoolman said Kofeod presented the idea to the council.

"Yes, I supported the idea of it," he agreed. "But that has nothing to do with where it came from. It came from an outside group."

Stoolman said Kofeod should have first brought it before city staff for their input.

"You're supposed to represent your employees, right?" she said.

"I'm supposed to represent a lot of things, Jodee. A lot of things," Kofeod said.

Dean said he thought the employee handbook gave time off for all fed-

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office of the Cedar County Clerk of Court, stating in substance that Plaintiffs own in fee simple the property described in the caption of this notice. Such ownership is claimed by reason of facts fully stated in the Petition, which also alleges that Defendants claim some interest therein, but their claim is without right and constitutes a cloud on the title which it is desired to remove. The Petition prays that Plaintiffs' title to the premises be established as an absolute title in fee simple, and quieted and confirmed against all Defendants, each of whom be forever barred and estopped from having or claiming any right, title, lien or interest in sold property; and for other equitable relief, and for costs. For further particulars, see the Petition as on file.

The attorney for the Plaintiffs is Michael W. Kennedy, whose address is 920 S. Dubuque Street, P.O. Box 2000, Iowa City, IA 52244-2000. The attorney's phone number is (319) 351-8181; facsimile number (319) 351-0605.

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Iowa Judicial Branch  
Case Title JOHN H. GILLENWATER ET AL V. UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS  
Case No. EGOV 037317  
Cedar County

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Date Issued 11/04/2025 02:12:34 PM  
District Clerk of Court or/by Clerk's Designee of Cedar County  
/s/ Mary Ann Esbeck  
WBT 47-48-49

## West Branch city council

(The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the West Branch City Council meeting. A video recording is available for inspection at [westbranchiowa.org](http://westbranchiowa.org). The minutes are not approved until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.)

West Branch, Iowa; City Council; November 17, 2025  
Council Chambers; Regular Meeting; 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Roger Laughlin called the West Branch City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call: Council members present; Colton Miller, Mike Horihan, Jerry Sexton, and Jodee Stoolman. Tom Dean was present by Zoom for part of the meeting. Incoming Council member Chantry Noel.

City Staff present: City Administrator Adam Kofeod, City Clerk Alycia Horras, Public Works Director Matt Goodale, Finance Officer Heidi Van Auker, Parks and Rec Director Erin Laughlin, Library Director Jessie Schaffer, City Lawyer Kevin Olsen, and City Engineer Dave

Schechinger.  
Attending via Zoom: Deputy Clerk Jessica Brown, Police Sergeant Cathy Steen.

APPROVE THE AGENDA  
Motion to Approve the Agenda by Miller, 2nd by Sexton. Motion carried on a voice vote.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA  
Approve minutes from the November 3, 2025 City Council meeting.

Approve Claims for November 17, 2025.  
Approve Class C Retail Liquor License for the Down Under, 102 W Main St, Ste. 2 (Pending Passing Inspection)

EXPENDITURES - 11/17/2025  
AMAZON.COM-VARIOUS ITEMS - LIBRARY, P&R-278.57  
BEAN & BEAN-GRAVE OPENING-1,400.00  
CY'S TREE SERVICE-TREE REMOVAL-27,500.00  
HAWKINS INC.-CHEMICALS-3,788.74  
IA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACAD-RYAN FIREARMS SCHOOL-1,250.00  
KANOPY-ON DEMAND VIDEO SERVICE-29.00  
KIMS CUSTOM PAINTING-PAINTING CLASS-225.00

LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING-COPIER LEASE - LIBRARY-142.02  
LIBERTY COMMUNICATIONS-LIBERTY COMMUNICATIONS-1,634.66  
LINN COUNTY R.E.C.-STREET LIGHTS-327.87  
MOPPY MO'S-JANITORIAL SERVICES - LIBRARY-455.00  
PARKSIDE SERVICE-TIRE REPAIR-PW-284.43

SISCO-HEALTH CLAIMS PD 11-10-2025-107.04  
USA TODAY-ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION-400.35  
WB COMMUNITY SCHOOL-VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE-300.00  
TOTAL-38,122.68

PAYROLL-WAGES, TAXES, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - 11/7/2025  
60,497.76  
PAID BETWEEN MEETINGS  
ALATORRE-WINDOW CLEANING - CITY-86.00

ALLIANT ENERGY-ALLIANT ENERGY-18,777.01  
ALTORFER-SKIDLOADER REPAIR - PW-1,793.24  
AMAZON.COM-BOOK - LIBRARY-433.87  
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY-SHOP SUPPLIES - PW-19.58  
CEDAR COUNTY RECORDER-RECORDING FEES-58.00  
CEDAR COUNTY TREASURER-CASSABAUM LAND TAXES-85.00  
E O JOHNSON-COPIER MAINTENANCE - CITY-186.37  
IMWCA -IMWCA FY26  
INSTALLMENT 5-3,768.00  
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC.-DUES 1-1-26 TO 12-31-26-415.00  
LRS HOLDINGS-TRASH & RECYCLING OCT 2025-20,067.50  
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT-HURCO VAC TRAILER - PW-68,500.00  
MOPPY MO'S-CLEANING SERVICES - POLICE-595.00  
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY-WATER METERS/1,057.50  
OFFICE EXPRESS-OFFICE SUPPLIES - CLERK-35.98  
PROTECT YOUTH SPORTS-BACKGROUND CHECKS - P&R-92.00  
QUILL-OFFICE SUPPLIES - CITY-54.78  
RACOM CORPORATION-CAMERA ANTENAS-1,690.00  
SCHAFFER, JESSICA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT-SCHAFFER-40.60  
VEENSTRA & KIMM-VARIOUS PROJECTS-51,816.96  
WEX BANK-VEHICLE FUEL-1,789.97  
SISCO-HEALTH CLAIMS 11-3-2025-56.00  
SISCO-HEALTH CLAIMS 11-10-2025-107.04  
VARIOUS VENDORS-UB REFUNDS-120.08  
TOTAL-187,645.48  
GRAND TOTAL  
EXPENDITURES-286,265.92  
FUND TOTALS  
001 GENERAL FUND-118587.68  
022 CIVIC CENTER-729.28  
031 LIBRARY-7173.44  
110 ROAD USE TAX-25902.5  
112 TRUST AND AGENCY-13916.37  
321 WIDENING WAPSI CREEK-12467.8  
331 CEDAR JOHNSON RD RECON-27623.1  
600 WATER FUND-44217.85  
610 SEWER FUND-35172.61  
740 STORM WATER UTILITY-475.29  
GRAND FUND TOTAL-286265.92  
Motion by Sexton, second by Horihan to approve the Consent agenda. AYES: Sexton, Horihan, Stoolman, Dean, Miller. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS / communications / open forum -  
Forest Brown shared his experience leading up to the approval of the building contract, the misunderstanding of the max payout amount over the 10 year period. His concern wasn't about the 25% amount of the TIF Rebate, it was about the cap of \$101,000.00 that was placed on it. The council stated that it was in line with the Dental Office that received the same amount of rebate. Forest's concern was that the building he is constructing has a value of \$3.2million where the other building was approximately \$1million. The valuation is a percentage and should have a higher cap. At the current rate, the TIF rebate will be capped out within around 3 1/2 years vs the full 10 years. He is asking for a reconsideration of a higher cap to allow for a rebate for the full 10 year period.

WHEREAS, Parkside Partners, LLC and the City of West Branch entered into that certain development agreement for the construction of an urban renewal project located on Lot 1, Pedersen Valley, Part One, West Branch, Iowa, (the "KBH Property"); and

WHEREAS, KLM Investments, LLC and the City of West Branch entered into that certain development agreement for the construction of a project located in the Meadows Subdivision, Parts 4A and 4B, West Branch, Iowa, namely upon Lot 28, The Meadows Subdivision, Part 4B, West Branch, Iowa (the "Meadows Property"); and

WHEREAS, Parkside Partners, LLC and the City of West Branch entered into that certain development agreement for the construction of an urban renewal project on the following parcels:

1. Lots 4 through 8, 10 and 13, Parkside Hills, West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa;

2. Lots 1 and 2, Parkside Hills Second Addition, West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa;

3. Lots 1 through 28, Parkside Hills Third Addition, West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa;

4. Lots 1 through 16, Parkside Hills Fourth Addition, West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa;

5. Units 1 through 12 of Parkside 24 Residential Condominiums, 204 Sycamore Drive, to West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, as shown in Book 1742 at Page 305 in the Cedar County Recorder's Office and a 1/24th interest in the common elements; and

6. Units 1 through 12 of Parkside 24 Residential Condominiums, 204 Sycamore Drive to West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, as shown in Book 1742 at Page 305 in the Cedar County Recorder's Office and a 1/24th interest in the common elements; and

7. Units 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 310, 312, 314, 316, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332 and 334, of Parkside Hills Condominiums to West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, according to the Declaration of Submission of Property to Horizontal Property Regime pursuant to Chapter 499B of the Code of Iowa, recorded in Book 1690 at Page 18 in the Cedar County Recorder's Office, together with said units undivided interest in the common elements. (collectively the "Parkside Hills Properties"); and

WHEREAS, the KBH Property, the Meadows Property and Parkside Properties are located in the West Branch Urban Renewal Area; and

WHEREAS, indebtedness has been incurred by the City, and additional indebtedness is anticipated to be incurred in the future, to finance urban renewal project activities within the West Branch Urban Renewal Area, and the continuing needs of redevelopment of the Property within the West Branch Urban Renewal Area are such as to require the continued application of the incremental tax resources of the West Branch Urban Renewal Area; and

WHEREAS, the following enactment is necessary to accomplish the objectives described in the premises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, IOWA, THAT:

Section 1: The taxes levied against the KBH Property and the Parkside Properties by and for the benefit of the State of Iowa, City of West Branch, County of Cedar, West Branch Community School District, and all other taxing districts from and after the effective date of this Ordinance shall be divided as hereinafter in this Ordinance provided.

Section 2: As to the KBH Property and the Parkside Properties, that portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by and for each of the taxing districts taxing the Property in the West Branch Urban Renewal Area upon the total sum of the assessed value of Property, being the first day of the calendar year preceding the effective date of this Ordinance, that date being January

PUBLIC HEARING / NON-CONSENT AGENDA  
Third Reading Ordinance 833 -/ Move to Action.

ORDINANCE NO. 833  
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING THAT GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED EACH YEAR ON PARCELS LOCATED ON LOT 1, PEDERSEN VALLEY, PART ONE; LOT 28, THE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, PART 4B AND VARIOUS LOTS IN THE PARKSIDE HILLS DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, COUNTY OF CEDAR, STATE OF IOWA, BY AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, CITY OF WEST BRANCH, COUNTY OF CEDAR, WEST BRANCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OTHER TAXING DISTRICTS, BE PAID TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LOANS, MONIES ADVANCED TO AND INDEBTEDNESS, INCLUDING BONDS ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED, INCURRED BY SAID CITY IN CONNECTION WITH SAID WEST BRANCH URBAN RENEWAL AREA.

WHEREAS, KBH Holdings, LLC and the City of West Branch entered into that certain development agreement for the construction of an urban renewal project located on Lot 1, Pedersen Valley, Part One, West Branch, Iowa, (the "KBH Property"); and

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Section 2: As to the KBH Property and the Parkside Properties, that portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by and for each of the taxing districts taxing the Property in the West Branch Urban Renewal Area upon the total sum of the assessed value of Property, being the first day of the calendar year preceding the effective date of this Ordinance, that date being January

1, 2024, shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into a fund for the respective taxing district as taxes by or for said taxing district into which all other property taxes are paid. The taxes so determined may be referred to herein as the "base period taxes."

Section 3: That portion of the taxes each year in excess of base period taxes for the KBH Property and Parkside Properties shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into the special tax increment fund previously established by the City of West Branch to pay the principal of and interest on loans, monies advanced to, or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed or otherwise, including bonds issued under authority of Section 403.9 or Section 403.12 of the Code of Iowa, incurred by the City of West Branch, Iowa to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, urban renewal projects undertaken within the West Branch Urban Renewal Area pursuant to the Urban Renewal Plan, as amended.

Section 4: At such time as the loans, monies advanced, bonds and interest thereon and indebtedness of the City of West Branch referred to in Section 3 hereof have been paid, or the City has provided for the division of taxes for a total of twenty (20) fiscal years for the KBH Property and Meadows Property, or at such time as the indebtedness of the City of West Branch referred to in Section 3 have been paid as it pertains to the Parkside Properties, all monies thereafter received from taxes upon the Property shall be paid into the funds for the respective taxing districts in the same manner as taxes on all other property.

Section 5: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance shall be determined to be contrary to law it shall not affect other provisions or application of this Ordinance which shall at all times be construed to fully invoke the provisions of Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa with reference to the West Branch Urban Renewal Area and the territory contained therein.

Section 6: This Ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

First Reading: October 20, 2025  
Second Reading: November 3, 2025  
Third Reading: November 17, 2025  
Passed and approved this 17 day of November, 2025.

Roger Laughlin, Mayor  
ATTEST:

Alycia Friis, City Clerk

Motion by Miller, second by Sexton to approve the Third Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 833. AYES: Miller, Sexton, Horihan, Stoolman, Miller. NAYS: None. Motion Carried.

Resolution 2025-120 Approving the submission of the City of West Branch FY25 Annual Financial Report to the State Auditor's Office./ Move to Action.

Van Auker shared a brief comparison of the Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 areas of difference in the report to council, highlighting items such as the FD air packs that were replaced, snow removal was double the expense this year due to weather, and 55% increase in expenses related to the sewer department due to wages and primarily the increase in electricity with the sewer project.

Motion by Miller, second by Sexton to approve Resolution 2025-120. AYES: Miller, Sexton, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan, NAYS: None. Motion carried. Resolution 2025-121 Directing the Finance Officer to certify Tax Increment Financing Debt to the Cedar County Auditor./ Move to Action

Motion by Miller, second by Sexton to approve Resolution 2025-121. AYES: Miller, Sexton, Stoolman, Horihan, Dean. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-122 Approving the submission of the City of West Branch FY25 Annual Urban Renewal Report./ Move to Action.

Motion by Miller, second by Sexton to approve Resolution 2025-122. AYES: Miller, Sexton, Horihan, Stoolman, Dean. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-123 Approving Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$124,909.08 to PCI for the 2025 Channel Widening Flood Improvements Project./ Move to Action.

Motion by Miller, second by Horihan to approve Resolution 2025-123. AYES: Miller, Horihan, Stoolman, Dean, Sexton. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-124 Approving Pay Estimate #6 in the Amount of \$186,750.08 to Boomerang Corp for the 2025 Cedar-Johnson Road Recon Project./ Move to Action.

Motion by Sexton, second by Miller to approve Resolution 2025-124. AYES: Sexton, Miller, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-125 Approving Change Order #4 in the Amount of \$11,300.00 to Boomerang Corp for the 2025 Cedar-Johnson Road Recon Project./ Move to Action.

Engineer Schechinger shared that the project overall is tracking to about 95% of the project bid and that even with the change orders, there have been a few

areas that have come in lower to keep the project on track.

Motion by Miller, second by Horihan to approve Resolution 2025-125. AYES: Miller, Horihan, Stoolman, Dean, Sexton. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-126 Amending the Employee Handbook (Amendment #6)./ Move to Action.

City Clerk Friis shared a proposal with the Council that would allow the staff to add back the day following Thanksgiving to the Holiday Leave schedule for city department closings. In March Admin. Kofeod brought a proposal to add Juneteenth to the Holiday Leave schedule and the council would approve that if another day was removed to allow a swap. The staff was not properly communicated with and a decision was made to remove the day after Thanksgiving from the Holiday Leave schedule. This day is a high travel day, family get together day and overall, a day that was very important to 95% of the staff. It was stated that the council had no problem with adding Juneteenth and keeping the day after Thanksgiving on the Holiday Leave schedule if there was something else removed such as another holiday or benefit times such as vacation or sick time for an even trade of an additional 8 hour holiday.

The proposal that Clerk Friis shared with the council for their consideration was to remove .19 hours of accumulation of their sick time benefit for each pay period to then reduce the overall annual sick leave accumulation by 5 hours each year in exchange for adding back the day after Thanksgiving to the Holiday Leave schedule. Previously the council had a strong stand on not just adding the day back, but would consider a trade, so this was a way to compromise and give other benefit time off, back to the city.

There were several minutes of heated discussion on the topic with some inaccurate information shared by Council person Dean as to what is actually in the handbook for descriptions of each of these time off benefits and discussion about reducing the biweekly accumulation of sick leave for each employee by .31 hours instead to equal a full 8.06 hours annually from the employees sick leave accumulation in exchange for the day after Thanksgiving to be added back to the Holiday Leave schedule by other council members. Mayor Laughlin called for a vote on the original proposal to move forward in our meeting.

Motion by Horihan, second by Stoolman to approve Resolution 2025-126. AYES: Stoolman, Horihan. NAYS: Miller, Sexton. No Vote Given by Council member Dean. Motion Failed.

Council person Dean left the meeting at 8:17pm.

Discussion/Move to Action - Land Lark members discussed the next step of giving back 9.33 acres of area to the city. This includes Outlot B, Part 6; Outlot A, Part 6; Outlot B, Part 4A; Outlot A, Part 4B. Previously the council had requested better care of the areas to remove ruts and areas that wouldn't allow the current city equipment to be able to mow and maintain the area before taking this over. In conversation it was shared by the Mayor and Council that there was still concern of this throughout areas of the Outlots and the request was to mow/maintain the area through the Winter and into a few cuttings in the Spring before the City takes ownership. Land Lark shared their concern with this and are asking the Council to reconsider this to allow them to Quit Claim Deed the area to the city to be done with this part of their project, sharing all the things that they have provided to the city throughout this project.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - Administrator Kofeod shared an apology with the residents, guests at the Council meeting and staff for the meeting, stating it was the by far the worst meeting that he has had in his time with West Branch. He stated that the residents and staff of the City of West Branch deserved better. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT - None

CITY ENGINEER REPORT - Engineer Schechinger shared that the Cedar-Johnson Road project was very close to completion. They were wrapping things up and waiting for the last of the signage to be able to open up. The Wapsi Channel Widening project is going well and is on track