

The regular meeting of the Lamont City Council was held Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 6:45 pm. Mayor Cook called the meeting to order. Present: Adams, Devlin, & Lincoln. Absent: Slack; Lamphier arrived at 7:10 pm.

Motion by Devlin, second by Lincoln to approve the consent agenda: a) April Agenda b) March Minutes, c) Bills d) March Receipts. All ayes; motion carried.

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| Banklowa | Return Item Fee | 4.00 |
| Duane VanWie | Deposit Refund | 80.46 |
| Alliant Energy | Electric Service | 1968.63 |
| Amanda Krogmann | Deposit Refund | 75.00 |
| Office of Auditor State of Iowa | Periodic Exam Fee | 1200.00 |
| Buchanan County Recorder | Recording Fees - Lamont Sign | 44.00 |
| Dentons Davis Brown PC | Legal Fees - Lamont Sign | 250.00 |
| IAMU | 2026-2027 Annual Dues | 729.00 |
| IMFOA | Annual Dues | 50.00 |
| JD Financial | IceMelt | 47.96 |
| Kluesner Sanitation | Feb Hauling | 3969.82 |
| Krivachek Janitorial | Paper Towels/TP/Liners | 237.95 |
| Office Towne | Copier Service Agreement | 68.52 |
| Press Journal | Feb Publication | 103.97 |
| RSP, LLC | Legal Fees | 175.00 |
| Tami Shannon | Deposit Refund | 75.00 |
| Tracy Minerly | Deposit Refund | 75.00 |
| US Cellular | Cellphone Service | 63.11 |
| Visa | Fuel/Books/Supplies | 675.35 |
| Wellmark | April Premium | 1184.07 |
| Windstream | Phone Service | 438.68 |
| Black Hills Energy | Natural Gas Service | 975.51 |
| EMC Insurance Companies | Property Insurance | 32665.00 |
| Paula Harvey | Wages 3/20/26 | 1778.20 |
| Val Timmerman | Wages 3/20/26 | 130.22 |
| Paul Lincoln | Wages 3/20/26 | 1784.90 |
| Sarah Fletcher | Wages 3/20/26 | 482.80 |
| Iowa Dept of Revenue | 1st Qtr Feb Sales Tax | 96.13 |
| Iowa Dept of Revenue | 1st Qtr Feb Water Excise Tax | 341.25 |
| US Treasury | March 941 Tax | 2609.62 |
| IPERS | March Contributions | 1622.53 |
| Iowa Dept of Revenue | 1st Qtr Withholding | 800.50 |
| Banklowa | Return Item Fee | 4.00 |
| Banklowa | I-Net/ACH Fees | 12.75 |

Expenditures by Fund: General 34889.10, Road Use Tax 1045.08, Trust & Agency 1046.79, Local Option Sales Tax 1020.18, Water 5583.01, Sewer 6220.73, Landfill 4975.61, Storm Sewer 38.43 **TOTAL 54818.93**

March Receipts: Interest 19.41, Franchise Fees 1663.90, City Services 21813.24, Property Tax 2726.55, Fire Dept – Township Fees 2827.50, Rent/Camping 875.00, Local Option Sales Tax 4553.68, Road Use Tax 3796.58, **TOTAL 38275.86**

No report from Buchanan County Sheriff Department. Fifty-three hours were logged for the month of March.

Carrie Thole, Todd Stecklein, & Zach Behan of Smith Insurance, LLC reviewed the insurance package proposal for April, 2026 – March, 2027. This year's premium is about the same as last year at \$36550.62. Motion by Lincoln, second by Lamphier to accept the proposal. Ayes: Devlin, Adams, Lamphier, & Lincoln. Motion carried as Resolution 26-13.

City Clerk reported Fire Department had 1 controlled burn request, 1 ditch/grass fire, 1 lift assist, and 2 medical calls. Mayor Cook reviewed the Library Board minutes. Mayor Cook reported BCEDC would be meeting at Lamont Community Room at 5:30 pm on April 28th. Mayor Cook also reported clean-up day is April 8th so he will be contacting residents encouraging them to get properties cleaned up before he begins the nuisance abatement process and issue citations to any that are in violation of Chapter 50 & 51 of City Code.

Public Works Director reported Oasis will be repairing storm drain by the Legion and Central Tank Coatings will be doing water tower maintenance so will be on rural water for a couple days.

Motion by Adams, second by Devlin to approve membership application of Marlan Fletcher to the Lamont Fire Department. All ayes; motion carried.

Budget proposal for FY27 was reviewed. Motion by Lincoln, second by Lamphier to set budget hearing for April 22, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Ayes: Devlin, Adams, Lamphier, & Lincoln. Motion carried as Resolution 26-14.

Motion by Lamphier, second by Lincoln to adjourn. All ayes; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Paula J. Harvey
City Clerk

Michel J. Cook
Mayor