

**CITY OF FARMINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
January 12, 2026**

The Farmington City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 12, 2026, at Farmington City Hall. Mayor Janet Browning called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Council members present for roll call were Jerod Woolverton, Dave Ludwig, Lisa Gosney, Stephen Gobush, and Tim Halbrook. Also present during the meeting were City Clerk, Megan Muse; Park Manager, April Smith; City Superintendent, Nate Smith; Sheriff Brad Hudson, Kris Rankin, and Ken Mercer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Halbrook to approve the Agenda, seconded by Gobush and carried 5-0. Motion by Ludwig to approve minutes of the regular meeting on December 8, 2025. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 5-0. Gobush made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Halbrook and carried 5-0. Motion by Halbrook to approve the Claims. Motion was seconded by Gobush and carried 5-0.

Sheriff Brad Hudson reviewed quarterly report. Kris Rankin discussed SAFE Coalition offerings and finances.

No Library Report

No Arts Council Report:

No EMS Report

Fire Department Report: Ken Mercer discussed fire shares.

Indian Lake Park Report: April advised HVAC system at manager house 20 years old may need to replace soon. Discussed the REAP grant and trail work with council as well as cabin shell. Tourism Ad discussed and declined.

Maintenance Report: Nate discussed issues with float at reservoir. No other issues. Halbrook made a motion to approve LL Pelling Proposal for 2026. Seconded by Ludwig, motion carried 5-0.

City Buildings: Council expressed concerns about foundation at Post Office due to Storm sewer pipe.

Mayor/Clerk Report: Council reviewed committees. Halbrook made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 Committee Appointments, seconded by Gobush. Roll call: Woolverton-Aye; Ludwig-Aye; Gosney-Aye; Gobush-Aye; Halbrook-Aye. Motion carried 5-0. Gobush made a motion to approve health insurance renewal, seconded by Gosney. Motion carried 5-0. Ludwig made a motion to approve Bridge Café alcohol license, seconded by Gobush. Motion carried 5-0. Ludwig made a motion to approve American Legion alcohol license, seconded by Gosney. Motion carried 4-0, Gobush abstained. Halbrook made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 Providing for Financial Support of Area 15 Regional Planning Commission, seconded by Gobush. Roll call: Woolverton-Aye; Ludwig-Aye; Gosney-Aye; Gobush-Aye; Halbrook-Aye. Motion carried 5-0. Halbrook made a motion to approve publication of wage report, seconded by Gobush. Motion carried 5-0. Halbrook made a motion to set public hearing for Proposed Tax Levy for March 23, 2026, at 6pm at City Hall with budget workshop to immediately follow. Seconded by Ludwig, motion carried 5-0.

Other New/Old Business: Council reviewed options for old mower. Gobush made a motion to accept as-is offer from Armstrong, seconded by Gosney. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Hygenic Laboratory results: Total e. Coli from Bacteria absent

Signed /s/ \_\_\_Janet Browning\_\_\_ Mayor Date: 01/14/26

Signed /s/ \_\_\_Megan Muse\_\_\_ City Clerk Date: 01/14/26

### CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL January 12, 2026

| CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL Jan 12, 2026 |                     |                                    |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                                  |                     |                                    |                     |
| ACCESS ENERGY                    | \$ 44.15            | Access Systems                     | \$ 78.07            |
| ADVANCED MERCH (MTOT)            | \$ 136.47           | AFLAC                              | \$ 565.04           |
| April Smith                      | \$ 44.93            | ALLIANT ENERGY                     | \$ 3,587.26         |
| BS Electric                      | \$ 787.04           | B & B PROPANE                      | \$ 815.00           |
| DNR                              | \$ 2,161.50         | CASEY'S GENERAL STORE              | \$ 409.44           |
| DNR                              | \$ 1,249.00         | Creative Concepts                  | \$ 3,830.25         |
| DNR                              | \$ 32.50            | Cullen Pest Control                | \$ 40.00            |
| Outlaw Tees                      | \$ 419.45           | Donnellson Tire                    | \$ 1,680.00         |
| RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER           | \$ 3,519.60         | EFTPS                              | \$ 3,839.01         |
| US Postmaster                    | \$ 234.00           | Farm and Home Supply               | \$ 23.92            |
| VISA                             | \$ 728.06           | Feld Fire                          | \$ 857.00           |
| WELLMARK                         | \$ 3,856.75         | Fehske & Gray                      | \$ 809.00           |
| Wemiga                           | \$ 4,388.50         | Huffman's                          | \$ 33.65            |
| December Payroll                 | \$ 16,095.65        | Iowa Association of Municipal Util | \$ 340.00           |
| <b>TOTAL PAID</b>                | <b>\$ 33,697.60</b> | IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE SALES         | \$ 214.45           |
|                                  |                     | IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE WATER         | \$ 734.83           |
|                                  |                     | Iowa State Withholding             | \$ 1,002.91         |
|                                  |                     | IPERS                              | \$ 4,360.92         |
|                                  |                     | JOHN DEERE                         | \$ 565.49           |
|                                  |                     | Microbac Laboratories Inc          | \$ 55.00            |
|                                  |                     | Port-A-Bubs                        | \$ 75.00            |
|                                  |                     | Quill                              | \$ 137.18           |
|                                  |                     | SOUTHERN IOWA ELECTRIC             | \$ 1,647.19         |
|                                  |                     | Van Buren County Register          | \$ 135.86           |
|                                  |                     | WEMIGA                             | \$ 5,124.58         |
|                                  |                     | WINDSTREAM                         | \$ 833.09           |
|                                  |                     | <b>TOTAL TO BE PAID</b>            | <b>\$ 31,794.14</b> |