November 10th, 2025 Minutes

The Greene City Council met in regular session on Monday November 10th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Greene Community Center with Mayor Pro-Tem Al Zweck presiding. Council members present were Vicky Malfero, Rodney Fesenmeyer, and Audrey Smith. Also, present were Galen Lindell, Marilyn Folkers, Barb Brunsma, Shirley Fesenmeyer, Marlene Landers, Sara Wiegmann, Cory Wiegmann, Paulette Harris, Janice Pattschul, Lyndsie Pitzenberger, Kathy Stuntz, Fred Meyne, Leah Reser, Carrie Eiklenborg, Nikki Miller, Dan Castle, Janice Shutlz, Ben Hartwig, Marianne Nielsen, and Jay Majewski.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Fesenmeyer to approve Agenda. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Smith, Zweck. All. Carried.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Malfero to approve minutes from the October 13th, 2025 meetings. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Zweck to accept Councilmember Marnie Schmidt's resignation as of October 12th, 2025. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Fesenmeyer to fill council vacancy via appointment at the December 8th, 2025 meeting. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Fesenmeyer to accept Mayor Warren Van Dyke's resignation as of November 7th, 2025. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Fesenmeyer to not fill the mayor vacancy via appointment and to direct the Mayor Pro-Tem to act as Mayor until January 1st, 2026. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

The Pool Report was presented to the council. There were some uncontrollable increases in expenses such as insurances/work comp, utilities, and professional fees. Revenues were up from last year for fees and concessions. Carrie Eiklenborg spoke on about how great of a year it was with attendances, sales, and how everything went very smoothly this year.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Malfero to approve Resolution 2025-24 Authorizing the City Clerk to Transfer Funds from the Pool Savings Fund to the General Fund. Roll: Ayes-Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Paulette Harris spoke to the council about nuisance letters and invoices that were sent to her regarding her overgrown vegetation. She had asked how many letters were sent out during that time and if she was being discriminated against. She is asking for forgiveness on what she was billed by the city and promising that she will have arrangements made next year to avoid this from happening again. The council and or city clerk will be in contact with the City Attorney for more direction.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Zweck to Approve and File the Official Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Jay Majeswki spoke to the council on behalf of the Library Board asking the council to approve a budget amendment for an additional \$27,000 for expenses from their donation and memorial account for improvements at the library.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Smith to approve the Library Board amending their budget for an additional \$27,000 in expenses for Donation and Memorial Library improvements. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Librarian Lyndsie Pitzenberger asked the council for an increase of the city contribution to the library. She spoke about what the library offers the community such as daycare visits, school programs, Story Time, Farmer's Market activities, Summer Food assistance, After School Program, Volunteer work, and deliver to shut-ins. Increase in expenses such as books, periodicals, supplies, and cost of living increases for employees has made the budget harder to balance. The question was asked why the city contribution was decreased in fiscal year 21/22. It was decrease as insurance had a significant increase which increased the employee benefits tax amount for residents.

Motion by Zweck/seconded by Fesenmeyer to increase the city contribution to the library starting fiscal year 26/27 by 10% (\$300.42) a month. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Tree removal bidding process will be published and bids will be due by December 8th, 2025 at 4:00p.m. Bids will be opened at the December 8th meeting.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Smith to approve Resolution 2025-26 To Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposal to Enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to Borrow Money Thereunder in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$1,413,000 on December 8th, 2025. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Fesenmeyer to approve Resolution 2025-27 Approving Pay Application Number 1 to Cole Excavating LLC For the Greene Water Main Improvements Project for the amount of \$202,531.35. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Zweck/seconded by Malfero to approve Resolution 2025-28 Adopting a Policy for Accepting Electronic Certified Payroll Reports on Certain Federally Funded Projects. Roll: Ayes-Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Zweck to approve Resolution 2025-29 Setting the Time and Place of a Public Hearing on the Status of Funded Activities for the Greene Water Main

Project for the City of Greene, Iowa for December 8th, 2025 at 5:30p.m. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Zweck/seconded by Malfero to set a public hearing for approval of Ordinance Amending the Greene City Code, Chapter 92 Water Rates, Section 92.02 Rates for Service for December 8th, 2025. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery yearly allocation was discussed. In recent review of cemetery funds such as expenses and income, the St. Mary's Cemetery yearly allocation of \$5,000 was not meeting the appropriate amount in comparison of yearly expenses. Based off of acres of the entire Cemetery, St. Mary's Cemetery is roughly 22%. The City Cemetery Board met and approved that the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery go into a 28E Agreement with the City and pay \$7,500 in January of 2026 and the remainder of the 20% after the fiscal year in July of 2026. It was questioned whether or not 20% of all expenses is a fair amount. This includes wages, benefits, workman's comp, equipment, fuel, utilities, and supplies.

This will be tabled until next month's meeting after the St. Mary's Cemetery Board meets.

Motion by Zweck/seconded by Fesenmeyer to appoint Tod Kock to the Cemetery Board. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Cory Wiegmann Fire Chief presented the council with the Fire Department's Budget for fiscal year 26/27. He explained that there are less expenses and will continue to apply for grants for updating necessary items.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Malfero to approve the Fire Department's Budget for fiscal year 26/27. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Zweck/seconded by Fesenmeyer to set a public hearing for a special use permit for 319 W South Street for November 19th, 2025 at 5:30p.m. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Malfero to approve claims. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Smith to adjourn at 6:50 P.M. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Fesenmeyer, Zweck, Smith. All. Carried.

	Signed: Allen Zweck, Mayor Pro-Tem
Attest: Brittney Sanvig, City Clerk	