

March 9th, 2026 Minutes

The Greene City Council met in regular session on Monday March 9th, 2026,^{at} 5:30 p.m. in the Greene Community Center with Mayor Galen Lindell presiding. Council members present were Vicky Malfero, Audrey Smith, Al Zweck, Rodney Fesenmeyer, and Brian Uhlenhopp. Also present were Marilyn Folkers, Barb Tack, Sara Wiegmann, Cory Wiegmann, Fred Meyne, Jolene Stotler, Marlene Landers, Shirley Fesenmeyer, Dennis Wunsch, Jane Arnold, Tim Unga, Sarah Wadey, Janine Schrieber, Paulette Harris, Bruce Weidman, Rita Barth, Carol Barth, Linda Worley, Ron and Nettie Ascher, Jay Majewski, John Duffield, Jeff Stirling, Randy Sage, and Sherriff's deputy Buehler.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Fesenmeyer to approve the agenda. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Smith to approve minutes from the February 2026 meeting. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Abstain – Zweck. Carried.

At this time the mayor announced that the individuals who are listed on the agenda will have five minutes to speak. If you are not on the agenda, you are not allowed to speak.

Sarah Wadey spoke about the City's sidewalk snow removal ordinance. She along with others were sent a fine for not having their snow removed from their sidewalks. She would like to see the council amend their ordinance by changing the 24-hour period and lower the fees to first offenses fifty dollars, second offense fined one hundred dollars, and third offense fined two hundred dollars. She believes these fines should not be assessed. She also stated that the renters should be responsible and not the landlord.

Jeff Stirling spoke on behalf of the Greene Volunteer Ambulance about how important it is for the safety of the crew members as well as the patients for sidewalks to be cleared from snow and ice. It's almost impossible to get a cot through any snow. It's also important to remember that if any of the crew members were to fall or get hurt the city is liable and responsible for workman's comp. This goes for the Greene Volunteer Fire Department as well.

Randy Sage informed the council that he had a water leak at his property and does not have a sewer drain in his basement, therefore the water did not go into the sewer system. He asked the council for sewer usage forgiveness.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Fesenmeyer to forgive half of the sewer usage for Randy Sage. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Paulette Harris spoke to the council about her snow removal letter as she has no help to shovel snow or to mow her lawn with her heart issues. She was also asking for reimbursement for "damages" to her lawn last summer.

Council member Malfero vowed to get a list of contractors and individuals for snow removal and lawn care. This list will be available at City Hall once it's completed.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Zweck to set City Clean Up Day on May 2nd. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Smith/seconded by Malfero to set public hearing for proposed tax levy for budget 2026-2027 for April 6, 2025 at 5:30p.m. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Smith to open a public hearing to dispose of property at 12 High School Blvd, Greene, Iowa. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

There were no written comments. Sarah Wadey asked who lived at this property. The lot is an empty lot. She then asked where it was. She was told at 12 High School Blvd. She then asked if it was in the flood zone. She was told no, it's located at 12 High School Blvd.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Zweck to close the public hearing. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Uhlenhopp to approve Resolution 2026-02 of the City Council of City of Greene, Iowa to Dispose of City Owned Property Located at 12 High School Blvd, Greene, Iowa. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Zweck/seconded Malfero to approve agreement for 2026 Bridge Inspection Service with Calhoun-Burns & Associates. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Motion by Fesenmeyer/seconded by Malfero approving speed feedback signs on Hwy 14 that would be funded by the Iowa DOT. After installation the city will be responsible for all maintenance. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

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

Motion by Malfero/seconded by Zweck to adjourn at 6:11 P.M. Roll: Ayes- Malfero, Smith, Zweck, Uhlenhopp, Fesenmeyer. Carried.

Signed: Galen Lindell, Mayor

Attest: Brittney Sanvig, City Clerk