

Murray Regular Council Meeting:
March 12, 2025
6:00 PM
Murray City Hall

Mayor Jeff Robbins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present Bethany Riemenschneider, Pat O'Neil, Ben Heath, Rob Myers and Steve Jurshak.

Annette Brummel and Natasha Joiner spoke during public comments.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by R Myers to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by R Myers to approve the building permit appeal for James Richman. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to approve the building permit appeal for TJ & Shelly Fry. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by R Myers to approve shutting off comments on city social media sites. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by B Riemenschneider to deny storage containers within Murray city limits in regards to Iowa Code Chapter 414 passed in May 2024; those that are already within city limits as of 3/12/25 will be grandfathered in but owners will have 60 days to obtain approved building permits or they will be removed per Ordinance 2025-1. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to approve Ordinance 2025-1 Building Permit Ordinance. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to waive the 2nd and 3rd readings of Ordinance 2025-1 Building Permit Ordinance. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to approve the updates to the Building Permit form per the changes to the Building Permit Ordinance. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by B Heath to approve the Saddle Club agreement allowing storage of their equipment in the crow's nest. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by B Riemenschneider seconded by B Heath to approve the mowing bid from Wash & Weigh in the amount of \$570 per mowing. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by R Myers to approve the spring clean-up plan for May 6th, 7th and 8th 2025. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to deny having a livestock permit form. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by B Riemenschneider seconded by P O'Neil to approve changes to the FY26 budget pertaining to transferring \$7,500 respectively from the water, sewer and garbage funds to the General Fund for reimbursement of the funds used for the new financial system in FY25. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by R Myers to approve the consent agenda which includes the claims, financials and previous meeting minutes. All ayes, motion carried

Motion by B Riemenschneider seconded by R Myers to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

<These minutes are subject to approval at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.>

Jeff Robbins
Mayor

Denise Arnold
City Admin/Clerk

MARCH 2025 CLAIMS

AG SOURCE	TESTING	\$28.00
AGRILAND FS INC	PROPANE	\$845.24
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC BILL	\$4,355.72
AMAZON	CAMERA	\$33.96
AMERICAN STATE BANK	ACH FEE	\$25.00
AVESIS	VISION	\$234.90
BADGER METER-PORTAL	METER PORTAL	\$336.52
CANON	COPY MACHINE	\$103.53
CLARKE COUNTY ENGINEER	SALT & SAND	\$824.49
CLARKE COUNTY LANDFILL	PER CAPITA FEE	\$634.75
CLARKE COUNTY RESERVOIR	LOCAL OPTION	\$16,387.35
CLARKE COUNTY TREAS	829 GRANT STREET	\$490.00
COLONIAL LIFE	INSURANCE	\$758.10
CRESTON PUBLISHING CO	PUBLICATIONS	\$917.89
D&D PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	\$60.00
DEMCO	LIBRARY	\$29.64
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$2,930.94
ELECTRIC PUMP	EQUIP. REPAIR	\$850.00
IPERS	IPERS	\$3,662.57
JIM'S	TRASH/RECYCLE	\$7,727.37
LAMSON DUGAN & MURRAY LLP	LEGAL	\$1,802.00
MARC	LAGOON BUGS	\$1,117.00
MOT	COPY MACHINE	\$74.93
NIEMANN ACE HARDWARE	GLUE,CLEANER	\$11.57
OSCEOLA FARM & HOME	MISC SHOP	\$62.58
PAYROLL CHECKS	TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS	\$9,390.29
RANDY TURNER	TRAINING PARKING	\$24.00
RITTER CONSTRUCTION	ROCK	\$403.36
SCC NETWORKS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$277.50
SCHILDBERG	ROCK FOR LAGOON	\$1,174.88
SIMMERING-CORY/IOWA	ORDINANCES	\$444.00
SIRWA	WATER	\$4,941.00
SNYDER & ASSOCIATES, INC	NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN	\$5,725.00
SOLUTIONS	BACK-UP,ENV	\$289.96
STATE WITHHOLDING	STATE TAX	\$492.86
US CELLULAR	REC/PARK SECURITY	\$88.74
USDA	STORM WATER PAYMENT	\$1,654.00
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$4,880.41
	CLAIMS TOTAL	\$74,090.05

TREASURER'S REPORT
CALENDAR 2/2025, FISCAL 8/2025

ACCOUNT TITLE	LAST MONTH END BALANCE	RECEIVED	DISBURSED	CHANGE IN LIABILITY	ENDING BALANCE
001 GENERAL	283,168.28	6,622.71	30,860.69	393.06-	258,281.47
110 ROAD USE	84,622.69	15,644.19	3,739.80	70.24-	96,456.84
112 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	68,977.12	230.70	1,604.41	.00	67,859.18
119 EMERGENCY	492.42	.00	.00	.00	492.42
121 LOCAL OPTION	96,419.99	11,393.01	.00	.00	107,813.00
180 SESQUICENTENNIAL	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
200 DEBT	28,259.79	1,778.53	.00	.00	30,038.32
301 MURRAY REC COMPLEX	56,591.08-	.00	.00	.00	56,591.08-
600 WATER	234,117.49	17,319.98	12,625.84	612.08-	238,199.55
601 METER	68,112.44	301.76	150.00	.00	68,264.20
602 WATER DISTRIBUTION	50,646.24	670.60	.00	.00	51,316.84
610 SEWER	90,334.50	33,399.54	9,794.25	612.08-	113,327.71
670 GARBAGE	71,850.45	12,874.21	11,561.59	331.39-	72,831.68
680 URBAN FORESTRY UTILITY	856.94	904.35	.00	.00	1,761.29
740 STORM WATER	7,619.08	3,052.05	2,418.55	70.24-	8,182.34
741 STORM WATER CONSTRUCTIO	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Report Total	1,028,886.35	104,191.63	72,755.13	2,089.09-	1,058,233.76

REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORT
CALENDAR 2/2025, FISCAL 8/2025

PCT OF FISCAL YTD 66.6%

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	MTD BALANCE	YTD BALANCE	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
	GENERAL TOTAL	6,622.71	154,084.83	683,505.01	529,420.18
	ROAD USE TOTAL	15,644.19	93,073.50	140,972.00	47,898.50
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TOTAL	230.70	7,873.64	13,465.00	5,591.36
	EMERGENCY TOTAL	.00	.00	.00	.00
	LOCAL OPTION TOTAL	11,393.01	98,789.09	150,700.00	51,910.91
	SESQUICENTENNIAL TOTAL	.00	.00	.00	.00
	DEBT TOTAL	1,778.53	57,769.38	104,628.00	46,858.62
	MURRAY REC COMPLEX TOTAL	.00	2,712.97	50,000.00	47,287.03
	WATER TOTAL	17,319.98	157,380.08	475,462.00	318,081.92
	METER TOTAL	301.76	4,164.33	4,800.00	635.67
	WATER DISTRIBUTION TOTAL	670.60	5,398.59	49,360.00	43,961.41
	SEWER TOTAL	33,399.54	113,205.33	367,958.04	254,752.71
	GARBAGE TOTAL	12,874.21	98,699.24	145,413.94	46,714.70
	URBAN FORESTRY UTILITY TOTAL	904.35	4,261.29	.00	4,261.29-
	STORM WATER TOTAL	3,052.05	20,393.93	32,400.00	12,006.07
	TOTAL REVENUE BY FUND	104,191.63	817,806.20	2,218,663.99	1,400,857.79

REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORT
CALENDAR 2/2025, FISCAL 8/2025

PCT OF FISCAL YTD 66.6%

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	MTD BALANCE	YTD BALANCE	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
	GENERAL TOTAL	30,860.69	276,459.93	682,454.41	405,994.48
	ROAD USE TOTAL	3,739.80	34,041.75	138,925.36	104,883.61
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TOTAL	1,604.41	10,245.72	13,501.35	3,255.63
	EMERGENCY TOTAL	.00	.00	.00	.00
	LOCAL OPTION TOTAL	.00	.00	150,700.00	150,700.00
	SESQUICENTENNIAL TOTAL	.00	.00	.00	.00
	DEBT TOTAL	.00	20,307.39	104,628.00	84,320.61
	MURRAY REC COMPLEX TOTAL	.00	.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
	WATER TOTAL	12,625.84	144,520.66	473,039.43	328,518.77
	METER TOTAL	150.00	2,073.73	3,950.00	1,876.27
	WATER DISTRIBUTION TOTAL	.00	42,109.00	42,110.00	1.00
	SEWER TOTAL	9,794.25	119,868.10	350,604.43	230,736.33
	GARBAGE TOTAL	11,561.59	95,804.77	141,700.31	45,895.54
	URBAN FORESTRY UTILITY TOTAL	.00	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00-
	STORM WATER TOTAL	2,418.55	19,277.07	29,025.52	9,748.45
	TOTAL EXPENSES BY FUND	<u><u>72,755.13</u></u>	<u><u>767,208.12</u></u>	<u><u>2,180,638.81</u></u>	<u><u>1,413,430.69</u></u>

BANK CASH REPORT 2025

FUND	BANK NAME CL NAME	JANUARY CASH BALANCE	FEBRUARY RECEIPTS	FEBRUARY DISBURSMENTS	FEBRUARY CASH BALANCE	OUTSTANDING TRANSACTIONS	FEB BANK BALANCE
PUBLIC FUNDS PRIME CHECKING							

BANK	PUBLIC FUNDS PRIME CHECKING						562,941.90
001	CASH - GENERAL	38,147.98	6,991.92	31,890.25	13,249.65		
001	RESERVE - LIBRARY	12,514.32	0.00	0.00	12,514.32	9,442.71	
110	CASH - ROAD USE	84,622.69	15,721.99	3,887.84	96,456.84	3,452.62	
112	CASH - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	66,608.08	228.88	1,348.64	65,488.32	890.11	
119	CHECKING EMERGENCY	492.42	0.00	0.00	492.42		
121	CASH LOCAL OPTION	96,419.99	11,393.01	0.00	107,813.00		
180	CASH - SESQUICENTENNIAL D	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
200	CASH - DEBT SERVICE	28,259.79	1,778.53	0.00	30,038.32		
301	CASH - MURRAY REC COMPLEX	56,591.08-	0.00	0.00	56,591.08-		
600	CASH - WATER	129,050.44	17,301.89	13,237.92	133,114.41	4,754.44	
601	CASH - METERS	16,645.05	300.00	150.00	16,795.05	15.63	
602	CASH - WATER DISTRIBUTION	35,384.33-	0.00	0.00	35,384.33-		
610	CASH - SEWER	53,260.56	35,335.13	12,345.33	76,250.36	6,493.65	
670	CASH - GARBAGE	71,850.45	12,901.61	11,920.38	72,831.68	10,516.24	
680	CASH	856.94	904.35	0.00	1,761.29		
740	CASH - STORM WATER	5,769.58-	3,279.47	2,892.49	5,382.60-	525.99	
741	CASH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	DEPOSITS					2,737.15	
	PUBLIC FUNDS PRIME CHECKING TO	500,983.72	106,136.78	77,672.85	529,447.65	33,354.24	562,801.89

WARNING - BANK TOTALS DO NOT EQUAL THE GENERAL LEDGER ACCOUNT TOTALS DIFFERENCE --> 140.01-

9/2025 Transaction cleared on statement was entered in a future period.	352.98
3/01/2025 Calculated Statement Balance	563,294.88

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SAVINGS

BANK	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SAVINGS						2,370.86
112	SAVINGS - EMPLOYEE BENEFI	2,369.04	1.82	0.00	2,370.86		
	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SAVINGS TOTAL	2,369.04	1.82	0.00	2,370.86	0.00	2,370.86

WATER SAVINGS

BANK	WATER SAVINGS						23,594.75
600	SAVINGS - WATER	23,576.66	18.09	0.00	23,594.75		
	WATER SAVINGS TOTALS	23,576.66	18.09	0.00	23,594.75	0.00	23,594.75

SEWER SAVINGS

BANK	SEWER SAVINGS						4,452.93
610	SAVINGS - SEWER	4,449.52	3.41	0.00	4,452.93		
	SEWER SAVINGS TOTALS	4,449.52	3.41	0.00	4,452.93	0.00	4,452.93

**BANK CASH REPORT
2025**

BANK FUND	BANK NAME	JANUARY CASH BALANCE	FEBRUARY RECEIPTS	FEBRUARY DISBURSMENTS	FEBRUARY CASH BALANCE	OUTSTANDING TRANSACTIONS	FEB BANK BALANCE
GARBAGE SAVINGS							
BANK 670	GARBAGE SAVINGS SAVINGS - GARBAGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	GARBAGE SAVINGS TOTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
METER SAVINGS							
BANK 601	METER SAVINGS SAVINGS - METERS	2,298.87	1.76	0.00	2,300.63		2,300.63
	METER SAVINGS TOTALS	2,298.87	1.76	0.00	2,300.63	0.00	2,300.63
GENERAL SAVINGS							
BANK 001	GENERAL SAVINGS SAVINGS - GENERAL	15,016.90	11.52	0.00	15,028.42		15,028.42
	GENERAL SAVINGS TOTALS	15,016.90	11.52	0.00	15,028.42	0.00	15,028.42
WATER CONSTRUCTION							
BANK 602	WATER CONSTRUCTION CASH - WATER CONSTRUCTION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	WATER CONSTRUCTION TOTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
STORM WATER CONSTRUCTION							
BANK 740	STORM WATER CONSTRUCTION CASH-STORM WTR CONSTRUCT.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	STORM WATER CONSTRUCTION TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CDS							
BANK 001	CDS CD-GENERAL-14022	108,748.07	0.00	0.00	108,748.07		380,622.41
001	CD GENERAL 13811	108,591.01	0.00	0.00	108,591.01		
600	CD-WATER-14023	32,624.42	0.00	0.00	32,624.42		
600	CD WATER 13813	48,865.97	0.00	0.00	48,865.97		
601	CD METER 13812	49,168.52	0.00	0.00	49,168.52		
610	CD-SEWER-14024	32,624.42	0.00	0.00	32,624.42		
670	CD-GARBAGE-14021	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	CDS TOTALS	380,622.41	0.00	0.00	380,622.41	0.00	380,622.41

**BANK CASH REPORT
2025**

FUND	BANK NAME	JANUARY CASH BALANCE	FEBRUARY RECEIPTS	FEBRUARY DISBURSMENTS	FEBRUARY CASH BALANCE	OUTSTANDING TRANSACTIONS	FEB BANK BALANCE
LIBRARY CD'S							
BANK 001	LIBRARY CD'S						
001	CD 14158 LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
001	CD 14157 LIBRARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	LIBRARY CD'S TOTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WC LONG TERM SAVINGS							
BANK 602	WC LONG TERM SAVINGS						36,329.50
602	SAVINGS-WATER CONSTRUCTION	36,301.65	27.85	0.00	36,329.50		
	WC LONG TERM SAVINGS TOTALS	36,301.65	27.85	0.00	36,329.50	0.00	36,329.50
WATER CONSTR SL ACCT							
BANK 602	WATER CONSTR SL ACCT						7,222.26
602	SAVINGS - WATER CONST SL ACCT	7,216.72	5.54	0.00	7,222.26		
	WATER CONSTR SL ACCT TOTALS	7,216.72	5.54	0.00	7,222.26	0.00	7,222.26
AMERICAN ST BAN #14 6227708							
BANK 740	AMERICAN ST BAN #14 6227708						13,564.94
740	SAVINGS - STORM WATER	13,388.66	176.28	0.00	13,564.94		
	AMERICAN ST BAN #14 TOTALS	13,388.66	176.28	0.00	13,564.94	0.00	13,564.94
AMERICAN ST BANK - WATER SAV3							
BANK 602	AMERICAN ST BANK - WATER SAV3						43,149.41
602	CASH - WATER CONST SAV3 #7716	42,512.20	637.21	0.00	43,149.41		
	AMERICAN ST BANK - WATER SAV3	42,512.20	637.21	0.00	43,149.41	0.00	43,149.41
TOTAL OF ALL BANKS		1,028,736.35	107,020.26	77,672.85	1,058,083.76	33,354.24	1,091,438.00
001	CLERK PETTY CASH				75.00		
001	PETTY CASH - CHANGE				75.00		
	PETTY CASH TOTAL				150.00		
	GRAND TOTAL CASH				1,058,233.76		

Murray Special Council Meeting:
March 25, 2025
6:00 PM
Murray City Hall

Mayor Jeff Robbins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present Bethany Riemenschneider, Pat O'Neil, Ben Heath, Rob Myers and Steve Jurshak.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by B Heath to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by B Riemenschneider to open the public hearing for the proposed FY26 Property Tax Levy. All ayes, motion carried.

No public in attendance.

Motion by P O'Neil seconded by S Jurshak to close the public hearing for the proposed FY26 Property Tax Levy. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by B Riemenschneider seconded by R Myers to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

<These minutes are subject to approval at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.>

Jeff Robbins
Mayor

Denise Arnold
City Admin/Clerk

CITY NAME: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF MURRAY - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY **CITY #: 20-169**
MURRAY **Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026**

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 3/25/2025 Meeting Time: 06:00 PM Meeting Location: Murray City Hall 420 Maple Street Murray, Iowa 50174

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)
www.murrayia.org

City Telephone Number
 (641) 447-2522

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2024 - 2025	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2025 - 2026
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	14,225,517	14,559,098	14,559,098
Consolidated General Fund	117,147	117,147	119,894
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	0	0	0
Aviation Authority	0	0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	24,569	24,569	22,619
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	0	0	0
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	5,457	5,457	6,392
Other Employee Benefits	7,776	7,776	8,600
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	14,225,517	14,559,098	14,559,098
Debt Service	102,824	102,824	106,295
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	257,773	257,773	263,800
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	18.12042	17.70529	18.11938
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	142,928	156,733	156,733
Ag Land	429	429	471
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	3.00375	2.73714	3.00375
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year Proposed 2025/2026	Percent Change
City Regular Residential	840	945	12.50
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year Proposed 2025/2026	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial	3,706	4,224	13.98

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$100,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:
 Increasing due to valuation increase