

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2026

Mayor Fretwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Those attending the meeting were Fretwell, Aldermen Phillips, Martin, Janney, McDermott, McKenzie and Crenshaw, also in attendance: City Attorney Smith, City Clerk Christina Seangmany, Public Works Director Cindy Kell and Police Clerk Joy Brewer. Also attending: See sign in sheet

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by McKenzie and seconded by McDermott to approve the items on the Consent Agenda: Approval of minutes from July 20, 2026 Regular Board Meeting, Special Board Minutes, Public Forum and Committee Meetings, July Collector's and Treasurer's report and appropriations. Motion carried.

URSA FARMERS COOPERATIVE REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT

Motion was made by Phillips to approve the request for letter of support for URSA Farmers Coop. Janney seconded, motion carried.

CCWD CONTRACT

Attorney Alan Garner resubmitted Clark County Water District's Contract that was previously submitted to the Board of Alderman with changes made. Mayor Fretwell instructed the board to review the contract with changes, and this will be revisited at the next regular board meeting. CCWD (Dan Dover) was given the contract that includes the changes.

TRAIN DEPOT

Discussion was had regarding the sale of the Train Depot. It was suggested that a new appraisal and survey need to be completed before any decision is made. City Hall will begin to look for companies that offer these services.

UTILITY BILL DISPUTE

This was previously voted on June 24, 2026 this vote will be carried out.

Motion was made by Phillips to send invoice in the amount of \$2,995.89 to Kenneth Rieffer for the unpaid water bills at 512 Lewis Street. If this invoice remains unpaid it will be sent to K.C.I, the city's collection company. McDermott seconded, motion carried.

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Bill No. 26-05

Ordinance NO. 920-C

Phillips moved to have the first reading, by title only, of Bill No. 26-05, proposed Ordinance NO. 920-C, an Ordinance reaffirming the action of original ordinance number 358-C establishing procedures for disclosure of potential conflict of interest and substantial. McKenzie seconded. Motion carried. Following its reading by Smith, McKenzie moved to have the 2nd reading, by title only, and Martin seconded. Copies of the proposed bill have previously been made available to the public. Motion carried and the ordinance was read. Crenshaw moved to adopt Bill No. 26-05, McDermott seconded.

Roll call vote:

Martin	-aye	Phillips	-aye
Crenshaw	-aye	Janney	-aye
McKenzie	-aye	McDermott	-aye

Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

McKenzie motioned to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) legal action, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body” and McDermott seconded. Vote to close by roll call vote:

Phillips	nay	McDermott	aye
Crenshaw	aye	Martin	aye
Janney	aye	McKenzie	aye

Motion carried at 6:19 p.m.

Motion was made by Phillips to return the amount of \$30,000 in donated funds for the Gateway sign project that was not completed back to the Nichols Foundation. McDermott seconded, motion carried.

McDermott motioned to return to open session and McKenzie seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Phillips	aye	McDermott	aye
Crenshaw	aye	Martin	aye
Janney	aye	McKenzie	aye

Motion carried at 6:26 p.m.

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CLOSED SESSION

McKenzie motioned to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) “hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body” and McDermott seconded. Vote to close by roll call vote:

Phillips	aye	McDermott	aye
Crenshaw	absent	Martin	aye
Janney	aye	McKenzie	aye

Motion carried at 6:28 p.m.

No vote was taken.

McKenzie motioned to return to open session and Crenshaw seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Phillips	aye	McDermott	aye
Crenshaw	aye	Martin	aye
Janney	aye	McKenzie	aye

Motion carried at 7:35 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

NONE

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Fretwell updated the board on the Tap Grant Project and said that MECO is still working on this project.

Alderman Phillips suggested the city contact Ameren and find out what is going on with the grids that the city’s power outages are becoming more frequent.

Complaints were made regarding the road work on Washington and the man holes. PW Director reported that the manholes will be raised if it is passed for vote.

Motion was made by Phillips to approve the amount of \$8,800 for four manhole raisers to be installed. McDermott seconded, motion carried.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

See Finance Minutes

PUBLIC WORKS

See Public Works Minutes

POLICE COMMITTEE

ADJOURNMENT

Janney motioned to adjourn and Martin seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Christina Seangmany, City Clerk

Terry Fretwell, Mayor