

**CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
JULY 15, 2025**

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**1. Planning & Zoning: 6:20-6:30**

Sign-In: Dan McDowell (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Jim Hawkins, Bob Pickerell, City clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Tonya Genovese, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMAster were present.

Aldersperson McDowell called the meeting to order.

Aldersperson MCDowell stated the amendment to the proposed Ordinance was to correct a typo found.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Davis to approve an Ordinance amending Title 5 Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations, cheaper 5.152 used car dealer license and sales of individual used car permits, section 5.152.030 number of licenses issued for the business of selling or dealing in used motor vehicles of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Representatives from Socket Fiber gave a presentation to the Council outlining the construction process for residential fiber service.

Mayor Parkinson asked that the company set up a meeting with him.

Motion by Aldersperson McDowell, seconded by Aldersperson Davis to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

**2. Finance: 6:30-6:50**

Sign-In: Jim Hawkins (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Tonya Genovese, Dan McDowell, Mary Davis, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Aldersperson Hawkins called the meeting to order.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve the City of Granite City 2024-2025 MFT Maintenance Expenditure Statement. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve the 2025 MFT Supplemental Maintenance Estimate & Resolution Program. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Motion by Aldersperson Hawkins, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve a Resolution approving the CBDG Budget for the year of 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Public Works Director, Rick Daily, advised that the Asphalt Paver would be delivered in two weeks, and he needed a list of the five worst streets in need of repair, broken down by Ward. Alderperson Hawkins suggested emailing the list within the next week to Daily and Mayor Parkinson.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to go into closed session for contract negotiations. All voted yes; the motion carried.

BEGIN CLOSED SESSION

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Deputy Clerk Michelle Hillman and Attorney Tonya Genovese were present.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to come out of closed session. All voted yes; the motion carried.

END OF CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **TOWNSHIP MEETING**

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation was led by Dan McDowell.

### **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **2. Roll Call**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia and City Clerk Jenna DeYong were present.

### **3. Township Board Minutes - Approval of the Township Board Meeting minutes from July 1, 2025**

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Township Board Meeting minutes from July 1, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **4. Presentation of Communications**

#### **A. The Role of the Granite City Township**

Presentation by Beth Shipley outlining the services provided by the Granite City Township.

### **5. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson**

#### **A. Bill List - July 15, 2025**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the bills payable from the Town Fund in the amount of \$36,943.43.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the bills payable from the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$16,626.58.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **6. Unfinished Business**

None

### **7. New Business**

None

### **8. Adjournment**

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Hawkins to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

### **1. Roll Call**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia and City Clerk Jenna DeYong were present.

### **2. City Council Minutes - Approval of the City Council Meeting minutes from July 1, 2025**

Motion by Alderperson Davis, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the City Council Meeting minutes from July 1, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **3. Presentation of Communications**

#### **A. Road Closure request: Jacobmeyer's (Bobtoberfest 2025) on September 6, 2025, from 6:00 a.m. through 3:00 a.m. on September 7, 2025**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the road closure on September 6, 2025, for Jacobmeyer's Bobtoberfest. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **4. Public Correspondence**

None

### **5. Mayor's Remarks**

#### **A. Swearing in of Ward 4 Alderperson**

Moved to August 5, 2025.

#### **B. Retirement of Lt. Karl Schultz**

Mayor Parkinson read a letter of retirement from Lieutenant Karl Schultz. Mayor Parkinson thanked Schultz for his years of service to the community.

### **6. Report of Standing Committees:**

#### **A. Negotiations Committee: Greg Garcia, Chairperson**

No report

#### **B. The District Committee: Mary Davis, Chairperson**

##### **i. Approval of Granite City Jam**

Motion by Alderperson Davis, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the Granite City Jam with supervision from the Street Department and Police Department to be held on August 23, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

#### **C. Planning & Zoning Committee: Dan McDowell, Chairperson**

##### **i. An Ordinance amending Title 5 Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations, cheaper 5.152 used car dealer license and sales of individual used car permits, section 5.152.030 number of licenses issued for the business of selling or dealing in used motor vehicles of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances**

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**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and

Alderson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** Alderson McDowell, Alderson Pickerell, Alderson Davis, Alderson Smith, Alderson Harrington, Alderson LeMaster, Alderson Hawkins, Alderson Pierson and Alderson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**D. Legal & Legislative Committee: Jason Smith, Chairperson**

No Report

**E. Public Works Committee: Bob Pickerell, Chairperson**

**i. A Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Dump Truck for the City of Granite City Public Works Department**

Motion by Alderson Pickerell, seconded by Alderson Hawkins to approve a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Dump Truck for the City of Granite City Public Works Department in the amount of \$210,902.55.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderson McDowell, Alderson Pickerell, Alderson Davis, Alderson Smith, Alderson Harrington, Alderson LeMaster, Alderson Hawkins, Alderson Pierson and Alderson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**ii. A Resolution authorizing the purchase of an Asphalt Paver for the City of Granite City Public Works Department**

Motion by Alderson Pickerell, seconded by Alderson Pierson to approve a Resolution authorizing the purchase of an Asphalt Paver for the City of Granite City Public Works Department in the amount of \$262,035.00.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderson McDowell, Alderson Pickerell, Alderson Davis, Alderson Smith, Alderson Harrington, Alderson LeMaster, Alderson Hawkins, Alderson Pierson and Alderson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**F. Police Committee: Jerry Harrington, Chairperson**

**i. Promotions: Sergeant Jonathan Costello to Lieutenant  
Officer Cody Beishir to Sergeant**

Motion by Alderson Harrington, seconded by Alderson Hawkins to approve promotions of Sergeant Jonathan Costello to Lieutenant and Officer Cody Beishir to Sergeant. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**ii. June 2025 Chief STATS**

Motion by Alderson Harrington, seconded by Alderson Pierson to place on file the June 2025 Chief STATS. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**G. Fire Committee: Randy LeMaster, Chairperson**

**i. A Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Fire Pumper for the City of Granite City Fire Department**

Motion by Alderson LeMaster, seconded by Alderson Smith to approve a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Fire Pumper for the City of Granite City Fire Department in the amount of \$845,000.00.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Parkinson, Alderson McDowell, Alderson Pickerell, Alderson Davis, Alderson Smith, Alderson Harrington, Alderson LeMaster, Alderson Hawkins, Alderson Pierson and Alderson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**H. Risk Management Committee: Kim Pierson, Chairperson**

**i. Approval of litigation settlement**

Motion by Alderson Pierson, seconded by Alderson Harrington to approve a litigation

settlement.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**I. Economic Development Committee: Brad Eavenson, Chairperson**

No Report

**J. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson**

**i. Award MFT Material Letting Bid**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson to award the MFT Material Letting Bid to the lowest bidder.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**ii. Award MFT Traffic Signal Maintenance Bid Notice**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson to award MFT Traffic Signal Maintenance Bid to Electrico in the amount of \$230806.20.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**iii. City of Granite City 2024-2025 MFT Maintenance Expenditure Statement**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve the City of Granite City 2024-2025 MFT Maintenance Expenditure Statement. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**iv. 2025 MFT Supplemental Maintenance Estimate & Resolution Program**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve the 2025 MFT Supplemental Maintenance Estimate & Resolution Program

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**v. Approval of contract agreement for electric energy supply for City facilities**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve a contract agreement for electric energy supply for City facilities.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**vi. Resolution approving the CBDG Budget for the Year 2025**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve a Resolution approving the CBDG Budget for the Year 2025.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**vii. Finance Report**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve and place on file the June 2025 Finance Report. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**viii. Payroll**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve payroll from the period of 7/01/2025-7/15/2025 in the amount of \$696,646.44.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**ix. Bill List**

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve the bill list for July 1-15, 2025 in the amount of \$2,537,763.71.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Hawkins, Alderperson Pierson and Alderperson Garcia. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**7. Report of Officers**

None

**8. Unfinished Business**

None

**9. New Business**

None

**10. Adjournment**

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk