

**CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
JUNE 3, 2025**

COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Public Works: 6:30-6:35

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

Aldersperson Pickerell called the meeting to order.

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson Harrington to invoke the omnibus rule for items A-C to renew handicap parking spaces at 2672 Edwards, 2913 Buxton and 2648 E. 28th St. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

2. Economic Development: 6:35-6:50

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

Aldersperson Eavenson called the meeting to order.

Mayor Parkinson stated the Currency for Caring program would allow individuals to buy \$8 tokens to be used at participating restaurants for a hot meal. Adding a second option of \$500 in tokens would bring 3-4 Food Trucks to an area. He said that currently, Big Meechie's is the only restaurant in Granite City participating in the program, stating that the presenters tonight had hopes of partnering with local restaurants and churches to help the program grow within the city.

Aldersperson McDowell said it was a program he felt should be supported by the community, giving a token in the place of money when asked on the street.

Aldersperson Eavenson stated there would be a presentation during the City Council Meeting.

Motion by Aldersperson Eavenson, seconded by Aldersperson McDowell 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 Eavenson, 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 May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Township Board Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

4. Presentation of Communications

None

5. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson

A. Bill List - June 3, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to pay the bills payable from the Town Fund in the amount of \$46,972.22.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, 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.

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Davis to approve the bills payable from the General Assistance fund in the amount of \$13,030.39.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, 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.

6. Unfinished Business

None

7. New Business

None

8. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Parkinson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1. Roll Call

ROLL CALL: Mayor Parkinson, Alderperson McDowell, Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Davis, Alderperson Eavenson, 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 May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson LeMaster, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the City Council Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

3. Presentation of Communications

A. St Elizabeth 5K-November 15, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the request for road closures on November 15, 2025, for a 5k hosted by St. Elizabeth. All voted yes; the motion carried.

B. Labor Day Parade

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve the request for road closures for the Annual Labor Day Parade on September 1, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

4. Public Correspondence

Resident Nina Jackson addressed the Council.

5. Mayor's Remarks

None

6. Report of Standing Committees:

A. Negotiations Committee: Greg Garcia, Chairperson

No Report

B. The District Committee: Mary Davis, Chairperson

i. Approval of The District Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Davis, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve The District Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

C. Planning & Zoning Committee: Dan McDowell, Chairperson

No report

D. Legal & Legislative Committee: Jason Smith, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

E. Public Works Committee: Bob Pickerell, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Public Works Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Public Works Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

ii. An Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for four years at 2140 Cleveland Blvd within the City of Granite City, Illinois

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Hawkins to suspend the rules and place on final passage an Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for four years at 2140

Cleveland Blvd within the city of Granite City, Illinois.

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.

FINAL PASSAGE: 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.

iii. An Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for four years at 2532 Edison Ave within the City of Granite City, Illinois

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to suspend the rules and place on final passage an Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for four years at 2532 Edison Ave within the City of Granite City, Illinois.

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.

FINAL PASSAGE: 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.

F. Police Committee: Jerry Harrington, Chairperson

No report

G. Fire Committee: Randy LeMaster, Chairperson

No report

H. Risk Management Committee: Kim Pierson, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Risk Management Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Hawkins to approve the Risk Management Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

I. Economic Development Committee: Brad Eavenson, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Economic Development Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Eavenson, seconded by Alderperson McDowell to approve the Economic Development Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

A presentation given by resident Angelia Gower and the founder of SOULCIAL KITCHEN, John Michel, to introduce Currency of Caring, a program designed to feed the hungry in the community with free hot meals from participating restaurants and Food Trucks.

Mayor Parkinson stated he and Economic Development Director Cathy Hamilton would formulate a plan and bring it to the council.

J. Finance Committee: Jim Hawkins, Chairperson

i. Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the Finance Committee Meeting minutes from May 20, 2025. All voted yes; the motion carried.

ii. Payroll

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve payroll from the period of 5/16/202-5/31/2025 in the amount of \$765,301.10.

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.

iii. Bill List

Motion by Alderperson Hawkins, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$962,625.01.

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.

7. Report of Officers

No Report

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

None

10. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk