

CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
MARCH 3, 2026

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**1. Finance: March 3, 2026**

Sign-In: Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Tonya Genovese, Keith Burton, Michalene Millas, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Dan McDowell and Jim Hawkins were absent.

Aldersperson Hawkins called the meeting to order.

**A. Approval of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from February 3, 2026**

Motion by Aldersperson Burton, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from February 3, 2026. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**B. Motor Fuel Tax MFT Funds Allocation for Construction Engineering Agreement for Madison Avenue Phases 1-2(23rd St to 27th St) Surface Transportation Project (STP-S)**

Motion by Aldersperson Burton, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve the MFT Funds Allocation for Construction Engineering Agreement for Madison Avenue Phases 1-2 (23rd St. to 27th St.) Surface Transportation Project. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**C. Fehling Road Drainage Improvement Bid Results**

Motion by Aldersperson Burton, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to award the Fehling Road Drainage Improvement bid to Midwest Industrial Contractors Corporation in the amount of \$255,173.00. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

## **2. Planning & Zoning/Public Works: March 3, 2026**

Sign-In: Bob Pickerell (Chairperson), Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jerry Harrington, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Tonya Genovese, Keith Burton, Michalene Millas, Jason Smith and Randy LeMaster were present.

Dan McDowell and Jim Hawkins were absent.

Alderperson Pickerell called the meeting to order.

### **A. Approval of the Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **B. Request to establish a handicapped parking space at 2219 Lee Ave**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to invoke the omnibus rule for items B-C. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to establish handicapped parking spaces at 2219 Lee Ave and 1620 Moro Ave. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **C. Request to establish a handicapped parking space at 1620 Moro Ave**

### **D. Request to establish two handicapped parking spaces for The Mill Event Center**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to establish two handicapped parking spaces at Them Mill Event Center. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Alderperson Smith inquired about having the parking lot repainted, making the spots larger.

Mayor Parkinson stated the lines were painted as a test run of the new paint equipment and would be re-done to accommodate larger parking spots.

### **E. Request to extend a handicapped parking space at 2234 Cleveland Blvd for an additional four years**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to extend a handicapped parking space at 2234 Cleveland Blvd for an additional four years. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **F. Discussion: Cool Cities**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Smith to table the Cool Cities discussion until further notice. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

**1. Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting: February 3, 2026**

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

Aldersperson Smith called the meeting to order.

**A. Approval of Legal & Legislative Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026**

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve the Legal & Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**B. An Ordinance Amending Title 5 Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances Concerning Direct Sales of Baked Goods from Home Kitchen Operation**

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve an Ordinance Amending Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances concerning the Direct Sales of Baked Goods from Home Kitchen Operations. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**C. An Ordinance Amending Title 5 Chapter 5.142, Section 050 Performance Based Licensing of Landlords of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances**

Motion by Aldersperson Smith, seconded by Aldersperson LeMaster to approve an Ordinance Amending Title 5 Chapter 5.142, Section 050 Performance Based Licensing of Landlords of the City of Granite City Municipal Code of Ordinances. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

**Attest**

**Jenna DeYong, City Clerk**

## **2. Negotiations-December 2, 2025**

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

Aldersperson Garcia called the meeting to order.

### **A. Agreement between the City of Granite City, IL & Painters District Council 58**

Motion by Aldersperson Garcia, seconded by Aldersperson Pierson to approve the Agreement between the City of Granite City and Painters District Council 58. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk

**3. Fire: 6:20-6:35**

**Fire Committee-October 7, 2025**

Sign-In: Jerry Harrington, Kim Pierson, Greg Garcia, Jim Hawkins, Bob Pickerell, City Clerk Jenna DeYong, Mayor Parkinson, Attorney Tonya Genovese, Keith Burton, DanMcDowell, Mary Davis and Jason Smith were present.

Randy LeMaster was absent.

In the absence of Chairperson LeMaster, Alderperson Harrington called the meeting to order.

Alderperson Harrington deferred to Fire Chief Todd Richey.

Chief Richey advised the new ambulance was ready sooner than expected and needed a stretcher and power lift. He stated the September bid would be honored, adding that it was imperative to stay with Stryker because all other ambulances are fit with that brand, and it would allow for the rotation of parts in case the need arises.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Hawkins to authorize the purchase of the Stretcher and Power Lift with the contingency that the bid price(\$75,031.14) is honored. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Chief Richey advised that the need for new fire gear would provide a second set of gear for firefighters. He stated that when there is an active fire the gear is exposed to carcinogens and becomes wet. It is common practice to quarantine the exposed gear and use a gear extractor and drier to get the gear back in service and lower the chances of firefighters being exposed.

Alderperson Harrington inquired where the funding would come from. Chief Richey stated it was budgeted for through the Capital improvement Plan.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve the purchase of 48 sets of fire gear for \$108,437.24. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Chief Richey noted it was the lowest bid but had the highest rated gear.

Chief Richey stated that the new fire truck has been put into service and frees up Station # Pumper to be declared surplus and be auctioned off.

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Pierson 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 Reverend Desi Allen from Calvary Church.

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

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **2. Roll Call**

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

Alderperson McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

### **3. Township Board Minutes - Approval of the Township Board Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026**

Motion by Alderperson Pierson, seconded by Alderperson Burton to approve the Township Board Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026. All voted yes; the motion carried.

### **4. Presentation of Communications- March 2026 Calendar of Events**

City Clerk Jenna DeYong presented the March 2026 Calendar of Events.

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

#### **A. Bill List - Town Fund**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the bills payable from the Town Fund in the amount of \$57,194.68.

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

Alderperson McDowell and Alderperson Hawkins were absent.

#### **B. Bill List - General Assistance Fund**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the bills payable from the General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$12,618.71.

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

Alderperson McDowell and Alderperson Hawkins were absent.

### **6. Unfinished Business**

None

### **7. New Business**

None

### **8. Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.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 Pickerell, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia, Alderperson Burton, Alderperson Millas and City Clerk Jenna DeYong were present.

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

### **2. City Council Minutes - Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026**

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2026. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

None

### **4. Mayor's Remarks**

Mayor Parkinson advised the Council that the January Snow Storm cost the city approximately \$82,357.27 in man hours, fuel costs and supplies.

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

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

No report

#### **B. The District Committee: Michalene Millas, Chairperson**

No report

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

No report

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

No report

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

##### **i. An Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for an additional four years at 2914 E 24th St within the City of Granite City, Illinois**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Garcia to approve an Ordinance designating a handicapped parking space for an additional four years at 2914 E 24th St within the City of Granite City, Illinois.

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

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**FINAL PASSAGE:** Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia, Alderperson Burton and Alderperson Millas. All voted yes; the motion carried.

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

##### **ii. Granite City Tree Advisory Board Annual Report**

Motion by Alderperson Pickerell, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve and place on file the Tree Advisory Board Annual Report. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

**i. Request to hire Probationary Patrolman**

Motion by Alderperson Harrington, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve the request to hire a Probationary Patrolman. All voted yes; the motion carried.

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

No report

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

No report

**I. Economic Development Committee: Keith Burton, Chairperson**

No report

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

**i. MFT Funds Allocation for Construction Engineering Agreement for Madison Avenue Phases 1-2(23rd St to 27th St) STP-S**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson Smith to approve the MFT Funds Allocation for Construction Engineering Agreement for Madison Avenue Phases 1-2 (23rd St to 27th St) STP-S.

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

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**ii. Fehling Road Drainage Improvement Bid Award**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to award the Fehling Road Drainage Improvement Bid to Midwest Industrial Contractors Corporation in the amount of \$255,173.00.

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

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**iii. Payroll**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve payroll from the period of 2/16/2026-2/28/2026 in the amount of \$770,650.74.

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

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**iv. Bill List**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson LeMaster to approve the Bill List in the amount of \$440,423.44.

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

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**v. Supplemental Bill List**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson Harrington to approve the Supplemental Bill List in the amount of \$22,128.75.

**ROLL CALL:** Alderperson Pickerell, Alderperson Smith, Alderperson Harrington, Alderperson LeMaster, Alderperson Pierson, Alderperson Garcia, Alderperson Burton and Alderperson Millas.

All voted yes; the motion carried.

Alderpersons McDowell and Hawkins were absent.

**vi. Investment Report**

Motion by Alderperson Burton, seconded by Alderperson Pierson to approve and place on file the February 2026 Investment Report. All voted yes; the motion carried.

**6. Report of Officers**

No report

**7. Appointments**

None

**8. Unfinished Business**

None

**9. New Business**

None

**10. Public Correspondence**

None

**11. Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Attest

Jenna DeYong, City Clerk