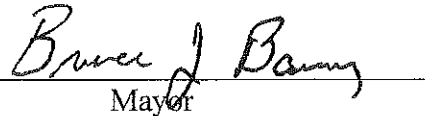


At the regular meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, September 21, 2026, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:


City Clerk


Mayor

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Invocation was given by the Mayor. Mayor Barry led the Council and assembled the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, and Hagen were present. Alderman Driskell was absent. Attorney Romano was present via zoom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Hagen to utilize the Omnibus Vote Designation for Various Meetings as listed below. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Hagen to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held September 8, 2026, the Water/Environmental Committee meeting held September 10, 2026, the Lake/Airport Committee meeting held September 10, 2026, the Finance Committee meeting held September 15, 2026 and the Ordinance Committee meeting held September 15, 2026. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE #4386 - APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLORVILLE AND BEKIM LETNIKU/COUNTRY KITCHEN (1025 W. SPRESSER STREET).

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dennis to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Business Development District No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of Taylorville Bekim Letniku/ Country Kitchen (1025 W. Spresser Street). Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

RESOLUTION #1525 – A RESOLUTION FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH 65 ILCS 5/8-1-7 AND 65 ILCS 5/8-2-9 AND WITH THE ILLINOIS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SELECTION ACT (50 ILCS 510/1 *et seq.*) VIA A SATISFACTORY PRIOR WORKING RELATIONSHIP FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH BENTON ENGINEERING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH BENTON ENGINEERING (re: PHASE I AND PHASE II DOWNTOWN REHABILITATION, DCEO PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT NO 21-821004 AND IDOT PROJECT NO. P-96-006-26).

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Dennis to Approve Resolution #1525 finding compliance with 65 ILCS 5/8-1-7 AND 65 ILCS 5/8-2-9 and with the Illinois Local Government Professional Services Selection Act (50 ILCS 510/1 *et seq.*) via a satisfactory prior working relationship for Engineering Services and Authorizing Engineering Services Agreements with Benton Engineering (re: Phase I and Phase II Downtown Rehabilitation, DCEO project Grant Agreement No. 21-821004 and IDOT project no. P-96-006-26). Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SLUDGE APPLICATION FEE AT A COST OF \$2,500.00.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the Sludge Application Fee at a cost of \$2,500.00. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 20 METERS FROM MIDWEST METER AND TO AUTHORIZE THE REMAINING 124 METERS TO BE ADVERTISED FOR BID.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Budd to Approve the purchase of 20 meters from Midwest Meter and to authorize the remaining 124 meter to be advertised for bid. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A 11-163 ACTUATOR FROM BECK ELECTRIC AT A COST OF \$4,325.00.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman to Approve the purchase of a 11-163 Actuator from Beck Electric at a cost of \$4,325.00. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION WITH CORRPRO AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$3,700.00.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Brown to Approve the extension with Corpro at a cost not to exceed \$3,700.00. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT EXTENSION WITH HACH FOR A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$990.00.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Dennis to Approve the Agreement extension with HACH for a price not to exceed \$990.00. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE PROCEEDING WITH PHASE 1 FOR THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BIKE TRAIL CROSSWALK, WITH THE COST TO BE FUNDED BY PRIVATE DONORS.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Dennis to Approve proceeding with Phase 1 for the Veterans Memorial Bike Trail crosswalk, with the cost to be funded by private donors. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE MAYOR TO SIGN PAY ESTIMATE #2 FOR THE TAYLORVILLE LAKE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,850.00 TO KINNEY CONTRACTORS INC., THIS CONDITIONED UPON THE RECEIPT OF SIGNED LIEN WAIVERS, CERTIFIED PAYROLL RECORDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE PROJECT ENGINEER AND CITY ATTORNEY THAT WORK HAS BEEN SATISFACTORILY PERFORMED.

Motion by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Approve and direct the Mayor to sign Pay Estimate #2 for the Taylorville Lake Improvements project in the amount of \$29,850.00 to Kinney Contractors Inc., this conditioned upon the receipt of signed lien waivers, certified payroll records and recommendations by the Project Engineer and City Attorney that work has been satisfactorily performed. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ITEMIZE THE CITY'S LEGAL SERVICES BILL BY DEPARTMENT.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Hagen to Direct the City Attorney to itemize the City's Legal Services bill by department. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH B OF SECTION 7-1-4 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: ANY LAKE LOT, CAMPGROUND OR DOCK THAT BECOMES AVAILABLE AFTER THE ANNUAL LOTTERY, WHETHER DUE TO TERMINATION, SURRENDER, CANCELLATION, OR THE TENANT OTHERWISE GIVING UP THE LOT, SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL LOTTERY. SUCH LOTS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS, SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE CITY REQUIREMENT, FEES AND REGULATIONS.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Bryant to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph B of Section 7-1-4 of the City Code as follows: Any lake lot, campground or dock that becomes available after the annual lottery, whether due to termination, surrender, cancellation, or the tenant otherwise giving up the lot, shall not be subject to an additional lottery. Such lots shall be made available on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to all applicable City requirements, fees, and regulations. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. Alderman Budd voted NAY. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-1.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH C OF SECTION 7-1-4 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: A TENANT MAY REQUEST TO TRANSFER A LAKE LOT OR CAMPGROUND TO A MEMBER OF THE TENANT'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY, WHICH FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE TENANTS: SPOUSE, CHILD, GRANDCHILD, PARENT, SIBLING. ANY TRANSFER TO A PERSON OTHER THAN AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER AS DEFINED ABOVE SHALL REQUIRE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY. ALL TRANSFERS SHALL REMAIN SUBJECT TO APPLICABLE CITY REQUIREMENTS, FEES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS. NO TRANSFER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL APPROVED BY AND RECORDED BY THE CITY.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Olive to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph C of Section 7-1-4 of the City Code as follows: A tenant may request to transfer a lake lot or campground lot to a member of the tenant's immediate family, which for purposes of this section shall be limited to the tenants: spouse, child, grandchild, parent, sibling. Any transfer to a person other than an immediate family member as defined above shall require prior approval of the City Council, as required by the City. All transfers shall remain subject to applicable City requirements, fees, rules, and regulations. No transfer shall be effective until approved and recorded by the City. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH G OF SECTION 7-2-1 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: AT FLOATING DOCK: THE RENTAL FEE SHALL BE THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) FOR THE CURRENT SEASON, AND EACH SEASON THEREAFTER UNTIL AND UNLESS AMENDED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Budd to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph G of Section 7-2-1 of the City Code as follows: At floating dock: The rental fee shall be three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the current season, and each season thereafter until and unless amended by the City Council. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH I OF SECTION 7-2-1 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: VIOLATION; PENALTIES: ANY INDIVIDUAL VIOLATING THIS SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND THE MINIMUM FINE FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE SHALL BE TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), SECOND OFFENSE SHALL BE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), AND THE THIRD AND ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES SHALL BE SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00), PLUS COST OF COURT.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph I of Section 7-2-1 of the City Code as follows: Violation; Penalties: Any individual violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and the minimum fine for the first offense shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), second offense shall be five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and the third and any subsequent offenses shall be seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), plus cost of court. . Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH G OF SECTION 7-2-2 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: REMOVAL OF #1 AND #2. INSERT- KITES/PARASAILS ARE PROHIBITED.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Olive to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph G of Section 7-2-2 of the City Code as follows: Removal of #1 and #2. Insert- Kites/Parasails are prohibited. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH H OF SECTION 7-2-2 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: VIOLATION; PENALTIES: ANY INDIVIDUAL VIOLATING THIS SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND THE MINIMUM FINE FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE SHALL BE TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), SECOND OFFENSE SHALL BE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), AND THE THIRD AND ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES SHALL BE SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00), PLUS COST OF COURT.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Brown to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph H of Section 7-2-2 of the City Code as follows: Violation; Penalties: Any individual violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and the minimum fine for the first offense shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), second offense shall be five hundred (\$500.00), and the third and any subsequent offenses shall be seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), plus cost of court. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AMEND PARAGRAPH I OF SECTION 7-2-3 OF THE CITY CODE AS FOLLOWS: VIOLATION; PENALTIES: ANY INDIVIDUAL VIOLATING THIS SECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND THE MINIMUM FINE FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE SHALL BE TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), SECOND OFFENSE SHALL BE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), AND THE THIRD AND ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES SHALL BE SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00), PLUS COST OF COURT.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Budd to Direct the City Attorney to Amend paragraph I of Section 7-2-3 of the City Code as follows: Violation; Penalties: Any individual violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and the minimum fine for the first offense shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), second offense shall be five hundred (\$500.00), and the third and any subsequent offenses shall be seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), plus cost of court. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REMOVE PARAGRAPH C OF SECTION 7-1-4-B-1 AND PARAGRAPH G-3 OF SECTION 7-2-1 OF THE CITY CODE.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Budd to Direct the City Attorney to remove paragraph C of Section 7-1-4-B-1 and Paragraph G-3 of Section 7-2-1 of the City Code. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REMOVE THE FOLLOWING IN SECTION 7-2-1 OF THE CITY CODE: AT STATIONARY DOCK: THE RENTAL FEE SHALL BE TWO HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$220.00) FOR CURRENT SEASON, AND EACH THEREAFTER UNTIL AND UNLESS AMENDED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Bryant to remove the following in Section 7-2-1 of the City Code: At stationary dock: The rental fee shall be two hundred twenty dollars (\$220.00) for the current season, and each season thereafter until and unless amended by the City Council. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ADD THE FOLLOWING TO SECTION 7-1-4: LAKE LOT/CAMPGROUND NUMBERS TO BE DISPLAYED ON DOCK OR VISIBLE FROM THE WATER. THE CITY WILL PROVIDE THE NUMBER WITH THE ANNUAL LEASE.

Motion by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Olive to Direct the City Attorney to add the following to Section 7-1-4: Lake Lot/Campground numbers to be displayed on dock or visible from the water. The City will provide the number with the annual lease. Council. Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive, Hagen and Mayor Barry voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 8-0.

Attorney Romano gave updates.

Mayor Barry congratulated the Class of 1976 for their 50th Reunion and the St. Mary's Festival for another successful event. He advised that volunteers are still needed for the Chili fest.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Hagen to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Driskell to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of (\$164,058.06). Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dennis, Dorchinecz, Olive and Hagen voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to address the Council and Gary Spurling spoke in reference to the Downtown Project. He thanked the Mayor for forming the Downtown Project Advisory Committee.

Mayor Barry announced that the Downtown Project Advisory Committee Members are as follows: Cindy Frisina, Gary Spurling, Steve Craggs, Dustin Clark, Elizabeth Hohenstein, Aaron Allen, Mike Specha, Jim Brubaker, John Mollet, April Wolfe and Larry Budd. The first meeting will be in Mid-October.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dennis to adjourn. The Mayor announced the motion carried 7-0.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.