



November 3, 2025
Common Council

Present:

Mike Hartman, Mayor
Tracey Hawkins, Council District 1
Kristie Laub, Council District 2
Darren Alloway, Council District 3, Council President
Gale Ryan, Council District 4
Bill White, Council at Large
Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer
Gavyn Aden, Wastewater Superintendent
Andy Cintron, Water Superintendent
Ron Mausteller, Fire Chief
Braxton Minkey, IT Specialist
Stuart Mutzfeld, Code Enforcement
Andrew Provines, City Planner
Don Stuckey, City Attorney
Matt Traster, Police Chief

Absent:

Kris Tadsen, Street Superintendent

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Mayor Hartman opened the regular session of the Common Council at 7:00 pm at 215 South Broadway.

Pledge of Allegiance

Scott Aaron from the Alliance of Rural Water presented Gavyn Aden, Wastewater Superintendent, with an award for successfully completing the Wastewater Apprenticeship Program for a Class III Wastewater Operator. This program takes two years to complete and has over 4,000 on the job hours in it. Mr. Aaron reported that Kendall Sheline is now in the same program.

Mayor Hartman asked for comments or questions from the audience pertaining to the agenda items. None



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Mayor Hartman swore in two new part-time firefighters; Mahlon Schmucker and Zachary Jones.

The minutes from the October 6th meeting were presented. Council Member Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes and Council Member Alloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1805, Employee Salaries for 2026**, was presented for its third reading by title. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 1805 on its third reading and Council Member Alloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1806, Elected and Appointed Salaries for 2026**, was presented for its third reading by title. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve Ordinance 1806 and Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1811, Prohibiting the Use of Public Records for Commercial Purposes** was presented for its first by title. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve Ordinance 1811 and Council Member Laub seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 1811 on its second reading by title and Council Member Laub seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Council Member Alloway made a motion to suspend the rules with Council Member Laub seconding the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Council Member Laub made a motion to approve Ordinance 1811 on its third reading by title and Council Member Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

City Planner Andrew Provines reported that the Plan Commission would hold a Public Hearing on Thursday the 6th at 6:30 pm. This will be for the Comprehensive Plan and a proposed Interlocal Agreement with DeKalb County on Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. If the Plan Commission does approve them, then the Common Council will hold a Public Hearing on November 17th for the same items.

Code Enforcement Officer Stuart Mutzfeld reported that he has started writing tickets to people who are parking in unauthorized areas.

Council Member Laub stated that everyone she has spoken with recently loved the Boo Bash that was at Maxton Park on October 25th. She also stated that if anyone is mentally struggling to please reach out for help.

Council Member Alloway asked if there was a camera at Maxon Park that captured the damage that was done to the merry-go-round there. There are no cameras at this park currently.

Police Chief Traster did state that suspects that committed the damage have been identified.

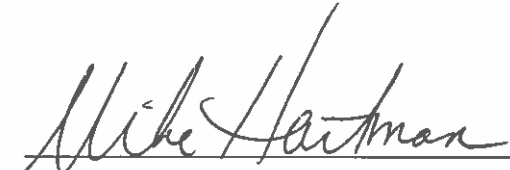
Council Member Bill White stated that he is resigning his Council Seat effective November 30th. He is moving to Utah.



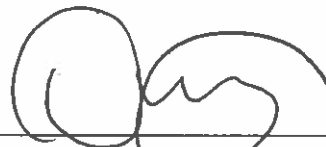
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Mayor Hartman announced that Kris Tadsen is the new Street Superintendent.

Council Member White made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 pm and Council Member Alloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



Mayor



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Clerk-Treasurer