



October 20, 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
Don Stuckey, City Attorney
Matt Traster, Police Chief

Absent

Andrew Provines, City Planner

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Mayor Hartman opened the regular session of the Common Council at 7:25 pm at 215 South Broadway.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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 1807, Authorizing and Stating Methods of Payment Accepted by the City of Butler, was presented for its third reading. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to



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approve Ordinance 1807 and Council Member White seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1808, Additional Appropriations**, was presented for its third reading. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve Ordinance 1808 and Council Member Laub seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed **Ordinance 1809, Proposed Budget for 2026**, was presented for its third reading by title. Clerk-Treasurer Eck stated that the budget for the Fire Operating Fund was reduced to \$478,068 when the full-time fire chief was added and the second and third full-time firefighters were removed. The tax rate did not change. Council Member Alloway made a motion to approve Ordinance 1809 as amended and Council Member Laub seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

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

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

Proposed **Resolution 25-670, Adding the Fire Chief to the Public Employees Retirement Fund** was presented. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to approve Resolution 25-670 and Council Member Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Code Enforcement Officer Stuart Mutzfeld reported that he is in contact with residents. He is getting after a few addresses that need to mow and has not started any enforcement action on garbage cans yet.

Clerk-Treasurer Eck reported that she has updated the Public Meeting Schedule and that everyone has a copy in their packets.

She also reported the Net Assessed Valuations for the City and Wilmington Township:

City of Butler	\$160,294,208, a 5.5% increase from last year
Wilmington Township	\$462,148,331, a 21% decrease from last year

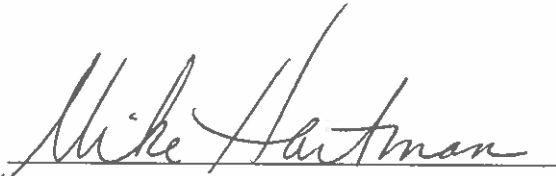
Clerk-Treasurer Eck requested that the Council look over the information that she has provided about Public Information Requests Used for Profit. She would like to do the first reading of an ordinance amending the City's policy at the meeting on November 3rd.



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Police Chief Matt Traster presented Assistant Police Chief Cory Rowe with a letter of Commendation for the work that he did for the department while Chief Traster was out on medical leave. He went above and beyond what was required and continues to excel at his position.

Council Member Hawkins made a motion to adjourn at 7:42 pm and Council Member White seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



Mayor



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Clerk-Treasurer