



September 2, 2025
Common Council

Present:

Mike Hartman, Mayor
Tracey Hawkins, Council District 1
Kristie Laub, Council District 2
Bill White, Council at Large
Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer
Gavyn Aden, Wastewater Superintendent
Andy Cintron, Water Superintendent
Braxton Minkey, IT Specialist
Donald Stuckey, City Attorney
Matt Traster, Police Chief

Absent

Darren Alloway, Council District 3, Council President
Gale Ryan, Council District 4
Ron Mausteller, Fire Chief
Stuart Mutzfeld, Code Enforcement
Andrew Provines, City Planner

Mayor Hartman opened the regular session of the Common Council at 7 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 August 18th meeting were presented. Council Member Laub made a motion to approve the minutes and Council Member White seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

~~Attorney~~ Courtney Butler presented information on the Community Cats and TNR Program that she is a part of. She informed the Council that they will need to pass an ordinance stating that the City of Butler belongs to the program. She then provided information on how the program typically works and that educating the City of Butler residents will be a vital part of the program. She already has residents in Butler that would like to participate and pay for cats to be neutered.

The Council requested that City Attorney Don Stuckey prepare an ordinance for the Community Cats Program. Mrs. Butler requested that the ordinance specifically states what times the



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residents are allowed to feed community cats. Once the Council passes the ordinance, the residents that want to participate and pay for neutering themselves can go ahead and start. The City will begin financial participation in 2026.

Clerk Treasurer Eck handed out the proposed 2026 Budget packets to the Council and presented the highlights of the budget.

IT Specialist Braxton Minkey stated that he has new tablets ready for the Council and that they just need to see him to get them.

Mayor Hartman reported that he has been in contact with representatives from Surf about restoration work that still needs to be done from last year.

Mayor Hartman reported that he received a letter from IDEM informing the City that IDEM received a permit application for a confined feeding operation in the area of County Road 28 and County Road 75. The proposed operation will house 82,000 chickens. It is outside the City's jurisdiction.

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



Mayor



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Clerk-Treasurer