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**COMMON COUNCIL AGENDA
MEETING ON FEBRUARY 2, 2026
7:00 PM**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Questions or Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items Only
3. Minutes of previous meeting – January 19th
4. Proposed Ordinances and Resolutions
 - a. Ord 1812, Updating the Fees for False Fire Alarms & Hazardous Materials Responses – 2nd Reading
 - b. Ord 1814, Amending Water Rates for Fire Department – 1st Reading
5. Department Reports
 - c. Fire
 - d. Planning
 - e. Police
 - f. Code Enforcement
 - g. Streets
 - h. Parks
 - i. Information Technology
 - j. Water
 - k. Wastewater
6. City Attorney
7. Clerk-Treasurer
 - a. 2026 Surety Bonds
 - i. Samantha Baker, Police Clerk \$15,000
 - ii. Connie Bungard, Court Clerk \$15,000
 - iii. Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer \$300,000
 - iv. Colleen Hennessey, Utility Clerk \$115,000
 - v. Lisa LaLonde, Assistant Clerk \$15,000
 - vi. Diana Mutzfeld, Court Clerk \$15,000
 - vii. Richard Obendorf, Judge \$15,000
 - viii. Redevelopment Commissioners: Robert Beck, Cris Clevenger, Dwight Myers, and Justin Smith \$15,000 each



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8. Council Members

a. Parking Limitations

b. Garbage Cans

c. Power Chairs & E-Bikes

d. Leashing of dogs

e. Feral Cats

f. Minimum Housing Standards

g. Snow Removal

9. Mayor

10. Audience and/or Public Comments

11. Adjourn



January 19, 2026
Common Council

Present:

Mike Hartman, Mayor
Kristie Laub, Council District 2
Darren Alloway, Council District 3, Council President
Gerald Eldridge, Council at Large
Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer
Gavyn Aden, Wastewater Superintendent
Andy Cintron, Water Superintendent
Braxton Minkey, IT Specialist
Stuart Mutzfeld, Code Enforcement
Andrew Provines, City Planner
Donald Stuckey, City Attorney
Matt Traster, Police Chief

Absent:

Tracey Hawkins, Council District 1
Gale Ryan, Council District 4
Ron Mausteller, Fire Chief
Kris Tadsen, Street Superintendent

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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 January 5th meeting were presented. Council Member Laub made a motion to approve the minutes and Council Member Eldridge seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Water Superintendent Andy Cintron reported that the required testing for PFAS came back as negative. It is very good for the City!



January 19, 2026
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Clerk-Treasurer Eck presented the Outdated Checks for January 1st, 2026.

Mayor Hartman requested that the Council re-appoint Cris Clevenger to the Redevelopment Commission. Council Member Alloway made a motion to re-appoint Cris Clevenger to the RDC and Council Member Laub seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Council Member Alloway made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 PM and Council Member Eldridge seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Mayor

Common Council

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Angela M. Eck". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Clerk-Treasurer

ORDINANCE 1812

AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE FEES FOR FALSE FIRE ALARMS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSES

WHEREAS, The City of Butler Common Council passed Ordinance 1436 on February 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 1436 was codified in City Code Chapter 92.05

WHEREAS, the fees for False Fire Alarms have not been updated since that time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUTLER, INDIANA THAT:

Subsection B shall be updated to read as follows:

- (1) Initial service charge: \$300 per response unit except the Command/Control Unit, which will be \$150 for initial response.
- (2) For responses that exceed one hour, a fee of \$200 per response unit, and a fee of \$100 per Command/Control Unit, for each hour will be assessed.
- (3) A fee of \$50 per hour for each fire personnel on scene after the first hour can/shall be assessed based upon the discretion of the Fire Chief having jurisdiction.
- (4) Subsequent service charges for false alarms shall be \$300 per truck responding.
- (5) Any materials or supplies used in the response may also be charged to the property owner at the current cost of replacement.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of passage.

THIS ORDINANCE passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Butler, DeKalb County, Indiana, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Hartman, Mayor

First Reading: 11/17/25

Yes Votes: 4 No Votes: 0

Attest: Angela M. Eck
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Second Reading: _____

Yes Votes: _____ No Votes: _____

Attest: _____
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Third Reading: _____

Yes Votes: _____ No Votes: _____

Attest _____
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Hartman, Mayor

ORDINANCE 1814

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 50.021 “WATER RATES, CHARGES, AND FEES, OF THE CITY OF BUTLER CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Section 50.021 Water Rates, Charges, And Fees provides that the fees may be amended or modified as the law provides; and,

WHEREAS, the City/Wilmington Fire Protection Territory has established a 4” line for their facility use only:

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Butler City Council that Section 50.021 Water Rates, Charges, and Fees shall be amended as shown on the attached “Exhibit A”.

THIS ORDINANCE passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Butler, DeKalb County, Indiana, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Hartman, Mayor

First Reading: _____

Yes Votes: _____ No Votes: _____

Attest: _____
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Second Reading: _____

Yes Votes: _____ No Votes: _____

Attest: _____
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Third Reading: _____

Yes Votes: _____ No Votes: _____

Attest _____
Angela M. Eck, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Hartman, Mayor

§ 50.021 WATER RATES, CHARGES AND FEES.

The following rates, charges and fees for all users are based on the volume of water supplied during each monthly billing period are established. These rates, charges and fees may be amended or modified as the law provides.

(A) There are established for the use of and the services rendered by the waterworks system of the city the following rates, charges and fees, based on the volume of water supplied during each monthly period:

SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES	
CONSUMPTION PER MONTH (PER 1,000 GALLONS)	Charges Effective July 1, 2024
First 10,000 gallons	\$12.04
Next 20,000 gallons	\$ 9.06
Over 30,000 gallons	\$ 8.03

(B) Minimum charge. Each user, except government operated fire departments, shall pay a minimum charge in accordance with the size of the meter installed for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates.

MINIMUM CHARGES EXCEPT FOR GOVERNMENT OPERATED FIRE DEPARTMENTS		
Meter Size	Gallons Used	After July 1, 2024
5/8 -3/4 inch	2,500	\$ 39.10
1 inch	4,286	\$ 51.60
1.5 inch	10,003	\$ 120.43
2 inch	18,843	\$ 200.52
3 inch	42,353	\$ 400.79
4 inch	92,216	\$ 801.19
6 inch	142,136	\$1,202.05

MINIMUM CHARGES FOR GOVERNMENT OPERATED FIRE DEPARTMENTS	
METER SIZE	
All meter sizes	\$ 51.60

(C) Fire protection, all meter sizes.

(1) Hydrants.

FIRE PROTECTION (RATE PER MONTH)	
	After July 1, 2024
Public (per hydrant)	\$91.65
Private (per hydrant)	\$91.65

(2) Sprinkler connections.

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION, SPRINKLER CONNECTIONS	
Meter size	After July 1, 2024
1 inch	\$ 11.03
2 inch	\$ 58.14
3 inch	\$ 95.47
4 inch	\$169.65
6 inch	\$381.82
8 inch	\$501.15

(D) Municipal drinking fountain

DRINKING FOUNTAIN	
	After July 1, 2024
Per fountain (per month)	\$33.37

