

Mayor Jason TePaske called the Regular meeting of the Augusta City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were council members Sue Troxel, Lisa Fugett, Brian Abley, Dawn Harper, and Brian Leslin. Also present was Cynthia Anderegg. Absent: Gordon O'Brien, Scott Williamson, Kasandra Thompson, and Leslie LaRose.

Pledge of Allegiance

Acknowledgement of Proper Posting

A notice of the meeting and an agenda was posted at the three public places, and the local newspaper was notified.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Troxel seconded by Leslin to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Leslin seconded by Harper to approve the minutes for the April 14, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting and the April 21, 2026 Re-Organizational Meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Robert Chaffee updated the council on the Earth Day cleanup efforts by area students. The students from the Wildland school helped paint parking lines in the Senior Center parking lot. Public Works will be working on cleaning up the disc golf course.

Approval of Department Reports

Motion by Troxel seconded by Leslin to receive the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Fugett seconded by Troxel to receive the Police Department Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Abley seconded by Fugett to receive the Senior Center Monthly Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Fugett seconded by Troxel to receive the Library Report. Motion carried.

No Public Works Department Report was submitted.

No Augusta Bridge Creek Fire Department Minutes were submitted.

Committee Reports**Discussion and possible action regarding semi-truck parking issues per Plan Commission's recommendations**

The Plan Commission suggested the following remedies to the City Council pertaining to the semi-truck parking issues:

- Place signs by the fire department "No running refrigerator units passed this point"
- No parking signs on 50 ft either side of the fire department driveways
- South side street parking only
- Consider purchasing back land for semi-truck parking lot
- Consider other locations for building a semi-truck parking lot

No action was taken.

Jeff Gilbertson is renting the lot from MRS. He may consider renting spaces to semi-truck drivers.

Licenses & Permits

- a. **Discussion and possible action on establishing a permit program allowing area businesses and nonprofit organizations to install advertising signage on the “Welcome to Augusta” signs.**

The council reviewed the permit application and discussed changes. A draft of the changes will be brought to the June council meeting for consideration.

- b. **Discussion and possible action on Street Privilege Permit application for closure of the first block of South Spring Street on July 5, 2026 for Bean & Bacon Days**

Motion by Harper seconded by Leslin to approve the Street Privilege Permit application closing the 1st block of S. Spring Street during the Bean and Bacon Days Parade and for activities before and after the parade. Motioned Carried

Ordinances & Resolutions

- a. **Discussion and possible action regarding amendments to Chapter 9: Zoning (per Plan Commission recommendation)**

The Plan Commission recommends to the City Council to amend the R2-TH Twin Home minimum lot width to 50 feet.

Motion by Fugett seconded by Harper to amend the R2-TH Twin Home minimum lot width to 50 feet. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

- b. **First reading of amendments to Chapter 11: Licenses and Permits**

Motion by Harper seconded by Fugett to waive the first reading. Motion carried

- c. **Consideration and possible action on rezoning repeats (per Plan Commission recommendations)**

Application submitted by Agent: Jeremy Skaw - Real Land Surveying (RLS) Eau Claire and Owner: Ryan Seeley, RTS Construction LLC, Elk Mound

The request is to rezone properties along Colfax Street & South Spring Street from R1 to R2-TH & R3 for the purpose of building twin homes and a 4-plex unit.

Portions of S. Madison St. and Klingman St were vacated by City Council on 1/13/2026.

The Plan Commission recommends to the City Council to approval of the application to rezoning the following parcels from R1-Residential to R2-TH Twin Home:

- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250605-140-2052
- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2138
- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2117

And to further recommend rezoning the following parcels from R1-Residential to R3-Multi-Unit Residential:

- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2119

Motion by Leslin seconded by Harper to approve rezoning the following parcels from R1-Residential to R2-TH Twin Home – Colfax St.:

- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250605-140-2052
- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2138
- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2117

Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Abley seconded by Fugett to approve rezoning the following parcels from R1-Residential to R3-Multi-Unit Residential – S. Spring St.:

- **Parcel ID:** 18202-2-250604-230-2119

Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Bartender license Applications

Motion by Troxel seconded by Leslin to approve the bartender license applications for Angela Christopher. Motion carried.

Announce and discuss upcoming meetings and events

- a. Board of Review – May 13th from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- b. Augusta Plan Commission – May 19th at 6:00 pm
- c. Joint City Improvement & Recreation Committees – June 3rd at 6:00 pm
- d. City Council Meeting – June 9th at 7:00 pm

Adjournment

Motion by Leslin seconded by Abley to adjourn the meeting.

Cynthia Anderegg, City Clerk-Treasurer