City Council Meeting Tuesday, October 13, 2026 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jason TePaske called the Special meeting of the Augusta City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. Present were council members Sue Troxel, Lisa Fugett (via phone), Brian Abley, Dawn Harper, and Brian Leslin. Also present were Kasandra Thompson and Cynthia Anderegg. Absent: Gordon O'Brien, Scott Williamson, and Leslie LaRose.

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 Abley, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Leslin, seconded by Harper, to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- Regular City Council Meeting – August 18, 2026
- Special City Council Meeting – August 25, 2026
- Citizen Participation Public Hearing – September 8, 2026
- Regular City Council Meeting – September 8, 2026
- Special City Council Meeting – September 16, 2026
- Special City Council Meeting – September 23, 2026

Motion carried.

Public Comment

No public comments were received.

Department Reports

Motion by Leslin, seconded by Troxel, to receive the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.
Motion by Harper, seconded by Leslin, to receive the Police Report. Motion carried.
Motion by Harper, seconded by Troxel, to receive the Senior Center Report. Motion carried.
Motion by Troxel, seconded by Leslin, to receive the Library Report. Motion carried.
Motion by Harper, seconded by Leslin, to receive the Public Works Report. Motion carried.
The Augusta-Bridge Creek Fire Department report dated August 12, 2026, was received.

Committee Reports

a. Plan Commission Meeting – September 15, 2026

The Plan Commission discussed a presentation by Chris Straight of WCWRP regarding data centers and updating the City's Comprehensive Plan.

b. Personnel Meetings – September 16 and 22, 2026

The Personnel Committee discussed employee evaluations and recommendations for pay increases. Employee Handbook policy amendments and updates were also discussed. No information regarding the proposed policies had been received from the City Attorney.

Comprehensive Plan Review and Update

The Council considered referring the review and update of the Comprehensive Plan to the Plan Commission and authorizing the Commission to hire consultants as needed, subject to a Council-established spending limit.

Motion by Leslin, seconded by Troxel, to refer the review and update of the Comprehensive Plan to the Plan Commission and to table the matter of the spending limit until additional information is received from the Plan Commission following its October 20, 2026, meeting. Motion carried.

Infrastructure and Utilities

a. Gerke Excavating Pay Request No. 1 – Spring Street Sewage Lift Station Project (Proposal No. 2)

Motion by Leslin, seconded by Abley, to approve Gerke Excavating Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of $115,059.67 for the Spring Street Sewage Lift Station Project, Proposal No. 2.

Roll call vote: Ward 1: Yes; Ward 2: Yes; Ward 3: Yes; Ward 4: Yes; Ward 5: Yes.
Motion carried unanimously. Payment of $115,059.67 was approved.

b. Sewer Rate Increase
The Council discussed a potential sewer rate increase. No motion was made. The matter will be revisited at the Special City Council Budget Meeting on October 21, 2026.

Ordinances, Resolutions, and Proclamations

a. Deer Donation Month Proclamation
The Council considered a proclamation declaring November as "Deer Donation Month" in support of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' Deer Donation Program and its efforts to combat hunger.
Motion by Harper, seconded by Troxel, to approve the Deer Donation Month Proclamation. Motion carried.

b. Fair Housing Proclamation
The Council considered re-adopting the Fair Housing Proclamation.
Motion by Leslin, seconded by Harper, to approve the Fair Housing Proclamation. Motion carried.

Licenses and Permits

a. "Welcome to Augusta" Sign Permit Applications
The Council reviewed the following sign permit applications:
- United Methodist Church
- Beautify Augusta
- Doctor of Physical Therapy
- Luxe & Lavish Salon / Luxie Boutique
- Augusta FFA Alumni

Motion by Troxel, seconded by Harper, to approve all of the listed sign permit applications. Motion carried.

b. Bartender License Applications
The Council reviewed the following bartender license applications for Mulligans:
- Eriele Northup
- Maisy Haas

Motion by Leslin, seconded by Abley, to approve the bartender license applications as listed. Motion carried.

Mobile Home Park Issues
The Council discussed follow-up and possible action regarding mobile home park concerns, including debris in yards, stray cats, and uninhabitable trailers.
No information had been received from the City Attorney. No motion was made. The matter will be revisited at the Special City Council Budget Meeting on October 21, 2026.

Upcoming Meetings and Events
The following meetings and events were announced:
- October 14, 2026: Augusta Industrial Development
- October 20, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.: Plan Commission Meeting
- October 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.: Special City Council Budget Meeting
- November 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.: Regular City Council Meeting
- November 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.: Special City Council Meeting – Budget Hearing

Adjournment
Motion by Troxel, seconded by Leslin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by Cynthia Anderegg, City Clerk-Treasurer