

Trenton, Missouri
March 9, 2026

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Jackie Soptic; Council members Anna Ferguson, Glen Briggs, Lindsay Stevens, Marvin Humphreys, Angela Brill-Ely, David Mlika, Duane Urich and Bart Thomas; City Attorney Kenton Kinney; Interim City Administrator Scot Wrighton; Police Chief Rex Ross; and Deputy City Clerk Tracy Maberry. Absent: City Clerk Anita Ewing.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Thomas that the minutes of February 23, 2026 be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Soptic congratulated Chief Ross on ringing the bell on completing all his treatments.

Mayor Soptic thanked the fire and rural departments as well as the emergency dispatchers for their responses to the recent fires in the area.

Mayor Soptic announced a public meeting to be held Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers to discuss plans for the 4th of July celebration.

REPORTS

The Airport Advisory Committee met February 24th, 2026, forwarding a recommendation for hangar rent on the new T hangar, old north T hangar and the Big Hangar to be approved by the council.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich to approve the recommendations for new hangar rent. Motion carried 7-0 with Councilmember Stevens recusing herself from the vote.

The Airport Advisory Committee also forwarded a recommendation for an amended lease agreement to be approved by the council.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich to approve the recommendation for lease agreement changes. Motion carried 7-0 with Councilmember Stevens recusing herself from the vote.

BILLS

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich to receive and file the bills of the City of Trenton. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmember Humphreys brought up the 17th Street Bridge.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich to approve the setting up of a non-interest-bearing checking account with Southern Bank for the CDBG demolition grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Ferguson second by Councilmember Mlika to approve a policy on support of community entities. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich to approve a policy on code enforcement and derelict structures.

Mayor Soptic stated the city has talked with the Ministerial Alliance and Serve Trenton to help work on houses but with limited funding, not much can be done.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich to approve a policy establishing a Restricted General Fund Reserve. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to approve the extension of the services of Interim Solutions, LLC and Scot Wrighton for one month, extending through May 1, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Interim City Administrator Wrighton noted a meeting was held with entities involved in emergency planning about the recent water main break that disrupted our water system. Suggestions for communication and public notifications changes were discussed.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich to go into closed session for personnel at 7:32 p.m. in accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (3). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Ulrich and Thomas.

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Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Stevens meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic
Mayor

Tracy Maberry
Deputy City Clerk