

Trenton, Missouri
April 13, 2026

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, April 13, 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 City Clerk Anita Ewing.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that the minutes of March 23, 2026 be approved. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that the minutes of April 6, 2026 be approved. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that the minutes of April 7, 2026 be approved. Motion carried.

BILLS

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

REPORTS

A recommendation from the Administrative Committee to approve amendments to the City Administrator Ordinance.

BILL NO. 7

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 7 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY TITLE I - GOVERNMENT CODE - CHAPTER 110 - CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - ARTICLE II CITY ADMINISTRATOR, TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE CLARIFYING THE ROLE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 7 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 7 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 10, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Urich, Thomas, Ferguson and Briggs. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2026-7, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

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A recommendation from the Administrative Committee to approve amendments to the Standing Committees Ordinance.

BILL NO. 8

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 8 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY TITLE I - GOVERNMENT CODE - CHAPTER 105 - CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR - SECTION 105.030 STANDING COMMITTEES - DUTIES, TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE CLARIFYING STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 8 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 8 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 10, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Urich, Thomas, Ferguson, Briggs and Stevens. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2026-8, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

A recommendation from the Administrative Committee to approve amendments to the Salary Ordinance.

BILL NO. 9

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 9 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY ORDINANCE 2024-28, ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 10, 2024, OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 9 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 9 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 10, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brill-Ely, Mlika, Urich, Thomas, Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens and Humphreys. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2026-9, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

A recommendation from the Administrative Committee to create a policy to Recover Credit Card and Debit Card Fees. Interim Administrator Wrighton presented a proposed policy for the recovery of debit/credit card fees. Discussion was held. Motion by Councilmember Humphreys second by Councilmember Mlika to adopt the policy for the recovery of debit card and credit card fees as presented. Councilmember Briggs requested a roll call vote. Ayes: Thomas, Stevens, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika and Urich. Nays: Ferguson and Briggs. Motion passed on a 6-2 vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Interim Administrator Wrighton led a discussion concerning a policy on insurance coverage on city properties. Mr. Wrighton will take the council members' recommendations and use them to develop a policy to be presented at the April 27, 2026 meeting of the city council.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning a policy on Group Health Insurance opt-out. Interim Administrator Wrighton led the discussion and presented the proposed policy. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ferguson to adopt the policy for group health insurance opt-out as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning a contract for special auditing services with Azavar. CFO/Comptroller Harry Belvel explained the services that would be provided by Azavar. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Stevens to approve the contract with Azavar for special auditing services. Motion carried..

Discussion was held concerning bids for 2026 mowing of city-owned properties. Code Enforcement Officer Wes Barone said two (2) bids were received. Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Briggs to approve the bid from Shaun McCullough for mowing of city-owned properties for 2026. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Humphreys asked about the possibility of taking hay bids on the city-owned property at 40th Street and Oklahoma Avenue.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Stevens to adjourn to closed session for legal at 7:49 p.m. in accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (1). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Mlika, Urich, Thomas, Ferguson, Briggs, Stevens, Humphreys and Brill-Ely.

Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Briggs meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic
Mayor

Anita Ewing
City Clerk