

Trenton, Missouri
June 22, 2026

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, June 22, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Jackie Soptic; Council members Anna Ferguson, Lindsay Stevens, Marvin Humphreys, Angela Brill-Ely, David Mlika, Edna Foster and Bart Thomas; City Attorney Kenton Kinney; City Administrator Matt Harline; Police Chief Rex Ross; and City Clerk Anita Ewing. Absent: Council member Glen Briggs

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Ferguson that the minutes of June 8, 2026 be approved. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Councilmember Ferguson gave a report from the Convention and Visitors Bureau meeting held June 10.

Councilmember Humphreys gave a report from the Utility Committee meeting held June 16.

Mayor Soptic reported that Bomgaars Supply will be going into the old Shopko building. She mentioned the 4th of July celebration.

BILLS

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Mlika to receive and file the bills of the City of Trenton. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance extending the dates for the sale of fireworks in the City of Trenton.

BILL NO. 14

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 14 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY TITLE V - BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION, CHAPTER 515 - FIRE PREVENTION, ARTICLE I - FIRE PREVENTION CODE SECTION 515.025 - FIREWORKS, THEREBY EXTENDING THE DAYS IN WHICH FIREWORKS MAY BE SOLD WITHIN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read after motion carried, with Councilmember Foster voting no. Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 14 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried, with

Councilmember Foster voting no. A copy of Bill No. 14 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on June 18, 2026. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brill-Ely, Thomas, Ferguson, Stevens and Humphreys. Nays: Mlika and Foster. Absent: Briggs. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2026-14, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

Discussion was held concerning bids for tree trimming services. Electric Supervisor Griffin gave more information about the bids that had been discussed at the June 8 meeting of the city council. He said that the mileage and per diem charges in question would affect the Poor Boy Tree Service bid and make it higher than the \$147.63 per hour originally stated, while the Asplundh bid at \$147.98 per hour would not incur mileage or per diem charges. He said staff is recommending the Asplundh bid at \$147.98 per hour. Motion by Councilmember Humphreys second by Councilmember Mlika to approve the bid from Asplundh at \$147.98 per hour for tree trimming. Motion carried.

City Administrator Harline discussed a letter to the Green Hills Regional Planning Commission (GHRPC) expressing the City's commitment to provide in-kind financial support for the BRIC grant that is being applied for. Administrator Harline requested the council give him authorization to sign the letter of support to help the grant process move forward. Motion by Councilmember Ferguson second by Councilmember Stevens to authorize City Administrator Harline to sign the letter of support to the GHRPC for the BRIC grant. Motion carried.

City Administrator Harline and City Attorney Kinney gave an update of nuisances.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning hay bids received for the City-owned property at the intersection of 40th Street and Oklahoma Ave. The lone bid was received from Michael Slater at \$65.65 per acre, for a total of \$623.68. Motion by Councilmember Humphreys second by Councilmember Mlika to accept the bid from Michael Slater of \$65.65 per acre. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning a lime slaking system for the water plant. Water Supervisor Steve Reid said that these come from a sole source and he has one ordered and would like to order another to make sure they are matching units, which would make getting parts easier in the long run. He would like to purchase this from Merrick at a cost of \$259,200. Councilmember Humphreys said the utility committee is recommending that the council approve this purchase. Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Foster to approve the purchase of a lime slaking system from Merrick at a cost of \$259,200. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning bids for the replacement of runway lighting at the airport that was damaged by the storms in May. Airport Manager Wes Barone was in attendance and explained the bids that were received. We received a bid from Neo Electrical Solutions of \$50,525 to replace all four lights – the two damaged lights and the two that are in the same row. Neo Electrical Solutions also submitted a bid to repair the two lights that were damaged at a cost of \$30,814. Barone gave an explanation on pros and cons of repair and replacement. Motion by Councilmember Ferguson second by Councilmember Stevens to accept the bid from Neo Electrical Solutions to replace four lights at a cost of \$50,525. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Mlika to adjourn to closed session for legal at 7:38 p.m. in accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (1). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Mlika, Foster, Thomas, Ferguson, Stevens, Humphreys and Brill-Ely. Absent: Briggs.

Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Council reconvened in open session at 8:03 p.m.

Discussion was held concerning renting of city-owned equipment, with no decision made.

Motion by Councilmember Stevens second by Councilmember Ferguson meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic
Mayor

Anita Ewing
City Clerk