

Mt. Pulaski City Council Meeting
City Hall
Tuesday, August 25, 2026
6:00 P.M.

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Matt Bobell presided. Roll call was taken. Those present: John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, and Ed Anderson. Also present was Chief of Police, Tony West, Director of Public Works, Matt Presswood, and Dee Howard, Treasurer.

Mayor Bobell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance

Recognition of Guests: Mike Patridge, Theresa Moore, and Kate Wright

Mayor Bobell let Theresa Moore speak first so she could get on her way. Therese brought the election ballots for the 2027 election. She touched on when and how the packets are to be filled out and returned.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Sean McCormick, second by Ed Anderson, to approve the Consent Agenda Items: Claims and Accounts. Roll call vote. Answering aye: John Aylesworth, Brad Davis, Kate Davis, Randy Hagenbuch, Sean McCormick, and Ed Anderson. No nay. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Reports by Officers

- **Police Chief Tony West:** Chief West reports:
Ordinance Violations Height Grass and Weeds – 206 S. Vine St, 311 S Vine St, and 221 N. Spring St.
321 S. Vine St did not abate the tall grass so this report will be forwarded to our city attorney
Three different motor assists at North Topper Drive and the RR overpass
8/21/26 – Standby at Casey's at 5:00pm

Lukasz Maslanka is ready to come to work mid-September.

- **Director of Public Work:** Matt reports they've been working on patching up Maple and Vine Steet, and the west side of the square. They will be painting stripes around the square before the Fall Festival. There is an issue on N. Belmont but they won't know the extent until they start digging. Sean McCormick said \$240,000 has been spent and no big projects have been done. Mayor Bobell replied \$150,000 has been toward the Vine Street project. Ed Anderson added they've purchased a truck, police car, and excavator. Sean

would like to see more talk about where they are and where they're going. Ed Anderson is in agreement with watching on spending money.

- **Treasurers Report:** Dee gave the report.

Old Business:

New Business: Randy Hagenbuch wanted to touch base on the Carriage House. He said the date has passed on the abatement and wants to move forward with getting it demolished. The city has obtained the property of 117 E McDonald Street. The deed should be received within 90 days and then will proceed with tearing it down. There are no liens on Vinegar Hill lot or Debbie Gilmans building uptown.

Brian Adams was able to get into the building at 219 N. Marion and get pictures of the damage. There is a trial date set for that property.

Other Business: Mayor Bobell shared Sally Turner presented a certificate for the 250th Anniversary of the United States.

Public Comments – Non Agenda: John Aylesworth asked if everything was ready for the Fall Festival. Michelle Hagenbuch said setup will be Wednesday night and asked for help. Thursday is Opening Ceremonies with events and food trucks.

Executive Session:

Adjourn: Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Randy Hagenbuch, to adjourn. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Anna Beckers- City Clerk