

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEST PLAINS CITY HALL
1910 HOLIDAY LANE, WEST PLAINS, MO 65775

Monday, September 21, 2026
5:30 p.m. Regular Session

The West Plains City Council met in regular session on September 21, 2026, in the council chambers at the West Plains City Hall, 1910 Holiday Lane, with the following members present: Councilmember Greg Collins, Councilmember Ron Grennan, Councilmember Johnny Murrell, Councilmember Crockett Oaks III, and Mayor Michael Topliff. Mayor Topliff called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., established a quorum, and led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. August 17, 2026, Regular Meeting
 - ii. September 3, 2026, Special Meeting
- b. Planning & Zoning
 - i. Site Plan – Casey Gale, Ransom Road
- c. Library Board Appointments
 - i. Keely Gale – appointed to a full 3-year term to fill the expired seat of Jarryd Alsup. Set to expire August 2029.
 - ii. Brooke Waggoner – to fill the unexpired 3-year term of the late Annie Noblin. Set to expire March 2028.
- d. Airport Board Appointments
 - i. Dr. Mark Dake – to fill a 1-year term board seat
 - ii. Jacob Y. Garrett – to fill a 2-year term board seat
 - iii. John Reed – to fill a 3-year term board seat
 - iv. John Niesen – to fill a 3-year term board seat
- e. Planning & Zoning Commission Appointment
 - i. Kerry Ogden- to fill the unexpired 4-year term of Brittany McDaniel set to expire December 2026
- f. Southern Hills Community Improvement District Board
 - i. Rick Hoover – renewing a 4-year term expiring October 2028
 - ii. Shirley Johnson – renewing a 4-year term expiring October 2028
 - iii. Weston Chadwell – renewing a 4-year term expiring October 2030
 - iv. Marianna Hicks – renewing a 4-year term expiring October 2030
 - v. Shawn Chadwell – renewing a 4-year term expiring October 2030
- g. Civic Center Board Appointments
 - i. Danielle Jones – to fill the expired 3-year seat of Jenny Long expiring September 2029
 - ii. Sylvia Biggers – to fill the expired 3-year seat of Heather Foster expiring September 2029
- h. Surplus Vehicle
 - i. 2007 Chevrolet Silverado 1500

Councilmember Collins motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

II. Resolutions

- a. **Resolution 2026-18** – A resolution of the City Council of the City of West Plains, Missouri, adopting a policy for electric distribution extension. Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

III. Ordinances

- a. **Bill 4829 to become Ordinance 4829**. Second reading. An ordinance approving the adoption of amended budgets for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026. Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

	Yes	No	Abstaining	Not Present
Councilmember Collins	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Grennan	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Murrell	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Oaks	☒	☐	☐	☐
Mayor Topliff	☒	☐	☐	☐

- b. **Bill 4830** – First reading. An ordinance of the City of West Plains, Missouri, authorizing the city administrator to execute an amendment to a State Block Grant Agreement for airport improvements including the remainder of the construction contract and Woolpert's construction administration services, and further authorizing local matching funds for said project. Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

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Councilmember Collins	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Grennan	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Murrell	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Oaks	☒	☐	☐	☐
Mayor Topliff	☒	☐	☐	☐

- c. **Bill 4831** – First reading. An ordinance of the City of West Plains, Missouri, amending Chapter 18 – Courts: Section 18-23. – Designation of acting municipal judge; vacancy in office of municipal judge, of the City of West Plains Municipal Code. Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

	Yes	No	Abstaining	Not Present
Councilmember Collins	☒	☐	☐	☐

Councilmember Grennan	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Murrell	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Oaks	☒	☐	☐	☐
Mayor Topliff	☒	☐	☐	☐

- d. **Bill 4832** – First reading. An ordinance of the City of West Plains, Missouri, amending Article III of Chapter 28 by enacting a new section 28-88 relating to hemp-derived and intoxicating cannabinoid products to conform to new legislation (HB 2641) passed this year by the Missouri General Assembly which is effective November 12, 2026. Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell. Motion carried, 5-0.

	Yes	No	Abstaining	Not Present
Councilmember Collins	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Grennan	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Murrell	☒	☐	☐	☐
Councilmember Oaks	☒	☐	☐	☐
Mayor Topliff	☒	☐	☐	☐

IV. **Council Action**

- a. Bid – Surplus Property: 443 Walnut Street
Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell.
Motion carried, 5-0.
- b. WWTP Rotor Gearbox Replacement
Councilmember Collins motioned to approve, seconded by Councilmember Murrell.
Motion carried, 5-0.

V. **Citizen Comments**

- a. Charles Dickinson – Spoke in opposition of panhandling citing traffic safety and littering. He also spoke in favor of increased governmental oversight of rental properties to ensure they are properly maintained.
- b. Jennifer Dickinson – Spoke in opposition of panhandling citing pedestrian and driver safety. She also spoke about concerns regarding landlords charging rent for properties that are poorly maintained.
- c. Andy McLain – Spoke regarding the city's current interpretation of property cleanup requirements and reasonable exception allowing private companies to provide dumpsters for temporary disposal needs.

VI. **City Administrator Report**

City Administrator Sam Anselm reminded council of the budget work session on 9/29/26 and invited citizens to attend the public meeting.

VII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

(SEAL)

CITY OF WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

BY:

MAYOR MICHAEL TOPLIFF

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK KELLIE MAYERS