Regular City Council Meeting September 23, 2025
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Councilmembers present
Councilmember Brian Stanfield, Councilmember Nathan Colombo, Councilmember Adam Loos, Councilmember Nancy Maxwell, Mayor Carolin Harvey

Councilmembers absent
Councilmember Clare Killman and Councilmember Dawn Roberts

Meeting called to order at 6:09 PM

5. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

5.1 Roll Call

5.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions

Members of the public addressing the City Council included Raymond Lewis Ivy, Sandy Litecky, Beatrice Miles, and James Cooper, Jr.

5.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations

Councilmember Nathan Colombo shared his experiences at the Illinois Municipal League Conference.

5.4 Proclamation for National APEX Day

Mayor Harvey declared October 8, 2025, National APEX Day in the City of Carbondale.

6. Public Hearings and Special Reports
None

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

7.1 City Council Meeting Minutes from September 9 and 11, 2025
Resolution: Approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting of September 9 and the City Council Retreat of September 11, 2025

7.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 09/12/2025 for the FY 2026 Warrant 1520 in the Total Amount of $1,645,956.83
Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 09/12/2025 totaling $1,645,956.83 *(Exhibit A 09-23-2025)*

7.3 A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Initiate a Text Amendment Relative to Emergency Services Training Facilities in the AG, General Agriculture, District
Resolution: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Initiate a Text Amendment Relative to Emergency Services Training Facilities in the AG, General Agriculture, District
(Resolution 2025-R-58; Exhibit B 09-23-2025)

Victor Ludwig, Lane Smith, and Beatrice Miles spoke in opposition to this agenda item. City Manager Stan Reno and Councilmembers Loos and Colombo all responded.

7.4 Award the Purchase of One (1) 2026 Ford Crew Cab Police Pickup from Vogler Ford, Carbondale, IL in the amount of $49,130.00; Award the Purchase of Four (4) Police SUV Vehicles from Vogler Ford, Carbondale, IL in the Amount of $201,068.00; Approve an Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Police Department's FY/26 Budget in the Amount of $30,198.00
Resolution: Award the purchase of one (1) 2026 Ford Crew Cab Police Pickup from Vogler Ford, Carbondale, IL in the amount of $49,130.00; Award the purchase of four (4) Police SUV vehicles from Vogler Ford, Carbondale, IL in the amount of $201,068.00; Approve an Ordinance authorizing a Budget Adjustment to increase the Police Department's FY26 Budget in the amount of $30,198.00 with the use of restricted funds. *(Ordinance 2025-29; Exhibit C 09-23-2025)*

7.5 Ordinance Authorizing the Acceptance of a Grant from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the Amount of $250,000 and Approving a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Community Development FY2026 Budget in the Amount of $250,000
Resolution: Adopt the Ordinance Authorizing the Acceptance of a Grant from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the Amount of $250,000 and Approving a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Community Development FY2026 Budget in the Amount of $250,000
(Ordinance 2025-30; Exhibit D 09-23-2025)

Sandy Litecky asked what the EPA grant is for. Sustainability Coordinator Hannah Weber stated that it is to conduct energy assessments and the implementation of the results of those assessments.

7.6 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Resolution: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

MOTION: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration
Motion by Brian Stanfield, second by Adam Loos.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Brian Stanfield, Nathan Colombo, Adam Loos, Nancy Maxwell, Carolin Harvey

8. General Business of the City Council

8.1 An Ordinance Amending Title Eighteen by adding Chapter Seventeen of the Carbondale Revised Code Permitting Government-Owned Utility Task Vehicles to be Operated Upon City Streets Adopt an Ordinance Amending Title Eighteen by adding Chapter Seventeen of the Carbondale Revised Code, permitting government-owned UTVs to operate upon City Streets.

It was made clear that this amendment is strictly for government vehicles for government purposes only.

MOTION: Approve an Ordinance Amending Title Eighteen by adding Chapter Seventeen of the Carbondale Revised Code Permitting Government-Owned Utility Task Vehicles to be Operated Upon City Streets Adopt an Ordinance Amending Title Eighteen by adding Chapter Seventeen of the Carbondale Revised Code, permitting government-owned UTVs to operate upon City Streets.

Motion by Brian Stanfield, second by Nathan Colombo.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Brian Stanfield, Nathan Colombo, Adam Loos, Nancy Maxwell, Carolin Harvey
(Ordinance 2025-31; Exhibit E 09-23-2025)

9. Executive Session

9.1 Executive Session to Conduct the Semi-Annual Review of Executive Session Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Enter into an Executive Session to conduct the semi-annual review of executive session minutes as permitted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)
Motion by Adam Loos, second by Nancy Maxwell.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Brian Stanfield, Nathan Colombo, Adam Loos, Nancy Maxwell, Carolin Harvey

Open session recessed at 6:57 p.m.

9.2 Return to Open Session

MOTION: Return to Open Session

Motion by Brian Stanfield, second by Nathan Colombo.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Brian Stanfield, Nathan Colombo, Adam Loos, Nancy Maxwell, Carolin Harvey

Open session resumed at 7:00 p.m.

9.3 Approve Executive Session Meeting Minutes, Declare the Need for Confidentiality Still Exists in Whole or in Part for Executive Session Meeting Minutes, and Authorize the Destruction of Audio Recordings for Meetings Conducted More Than 18 Months Ago; Approve the Executive Session Meeting Minutes from April 8, May 13, May 27, July 1, and August 12, 2025

MOTION: Approve the Executive Session Meeting Minutes from April 8, May 13, May 27, July 1, and August 12, 2025; Declare the need for confidentiality exists, in whole or in part, for Closed Meeting Minutes; and authorize the destruction of audio recordings of all Closed Meetings that were conducted more than 18 months ago for which minutes have been approved and no appeals have been filed with the Public Access Counselor or Circuit Court..

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Nancy Maxwell.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Brian Stanfield, Nathan Colombo, Adam Loos, Nancy Maxwell, Carolin Harvey

10. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

10.1 Adjourn meeting
There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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Clinette C. Hayes, Deputy City Clerk Date