

WELCOME TO MATTHEWS



CITY HALL

301 WEST MAIN ST
MATTHEWS, MO 63867

MINUTES

CITY OF MATTHEWS, MISSOURI
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 11, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Billy Harris called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harris.

PRAYER

Officer Mark Stockton gave the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL

Present:

- Mayor Billy Harris
- Alderman Reggi Vandever
- Alderman Travis Russom
- Alderman John Mark Gardner
- Alderman Michael Wareham

Also Present:

- April Spraggs, City Clerk
- Police Chief Ronnie Adams
- Officer Mark Stockton

Absent:

- T.J. Gantner, Fire Chief
- Manuel Spraggs, Water Operator
- Scott Gilliam, Code Enforcement Officer

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Wareham and seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Vandever to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2026 meeting. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wareham and seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve the public hearing minutes from the April 21, 2026 meeting. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Police Report

Police Chief Ronnie Adams presented the monthly police report.

Fire Report

Fire Chief T.J. Gantner was absent.

Water & Wastewater/Public Works Report

Manuel Spraggs was absent.

Code Enforcement Report

No report was given due to Scott Gilliam's absence.

City Clerk Report

City Clerk April Spraggs presented the financial report. The Council reviewed and approved invoices and payroll for April.

Mrs. Spraggs informed the Council that the lease payment is due at the end of May and requested approval for payment in the amount of \$12,000.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Wareham to approve the \$12,000.00 lease payment to First State Bank and Trust. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. Spraggs also informed the Council of an opportunity to advertise the City's farmland on the LOIS website for \$250.00 per property. The website targets companies seeking land for business development.

A motion was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Wareham to advertise the 100 acres on LOIS for lease only. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

POND

A motion was made by Alderman Wareham and seconded by Alderman Gardner to accept the bid from Hart Electric in the amount of \$2,535.00 to install electricity at the pond for the new well. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

DUMPSTERS

A motion was made by Alderman Vandever and seconded by Alderman Gardner to rent two large dumpsters for disposal of the lagoon cover. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

FENCING

Fencing bids were opened and discussed. The matter was postponed until the June council meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 744

The first reading of Ordinance No. 744 regarding the annexation of Highway 80 and Highway H was conducted.

BOUNCING INTO SUMMER

A motion was made by Alderman Wareham and seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve the "Bouncing Into Summer" Kids Day at the park with a budget of \$2,500.00. All four aldermen voted aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 744

The second reading of Ordinance No. 744 regarding the annexation of Highway 80 and Highway H was conducted.

ORDINANCE NO. 744

The final reading of Ordinance No. 744 regarding the annexation of Highway 80 and Highway H was conducted.

Roll Call Vote:

- Alderman Reggi Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Michael Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Travis Russom – Aye
- Alderman John Mark Gardner – Aye

Ordinance No. 744 regarding the annexation of Highway 80 and Highway H passed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Russom to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Billy Harris Date: 6-8-26
Billy Harris, Mayor

April Spraggs Date: 6-8-26
April Spraggs, City Clerk

Matthews Police Department April Call Report

- Vehicle Crash-7
- Well being Checks- 3
- Wanted Persons- 3
- 911 Hang up-1
- Threat-1
- Drug Inv. -1
- Stranded Motorist- 5
- Ems Assist- 6
- Assist Other Agency- 1
- Investigation- 1
- Careless and Imprudent Driving- 5
- Name and Number- 2
- Suspicious Vehicle- 1
- Open Door- 1
- Traffic Stops- 8
- Illegal Burning- 1
- Fire Assist- 2
- Vandalism- 1
- Follow Up- 1

- Animal Control- 1
- Public Assist- 2
- Transport Inmate- 1
- Traffic Control- 1
- Alarm- 2
- Juvenile- 1
- Keep the Peace- 1
- Disturbance- 2

Dog Sing On 24

Calls for the month of April- 62