

MINUTES

CITY OF MATTHEWS, MISSOURI
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 10, 2025 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Billy Harris called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRAYER

City Clerk April Spraggs led the council in prayer.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present:

- Mayor Billy Harris
- Alderman Michael Wareham
- Alderman John Gardner
- Alderman Reggi Vandever
- Alderman Travis Russom
- City Attorney Cory Fitzgerald

Absent:

- Scott Gilliam – Code Enforcement Officer

City Employees Present:

- Ronnie Adams – Chief of Police
- T.J. Gantner – Fire Chief
- Manuel Spraggs – Chief of Maintenance
- April Spraggs – City Clerk

Also Present:

- Tim Jordan, Resident
- Jody O'Barr, Resident

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda made by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Gardner.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 6, 2025 – Regular Meeting

Motion by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Gardner.

Motion passed unanimously.

October 6, 2025 – Closed Session

Motion by Alderman Vandever; seconded by Alderman Russom.

Motion passed unanimously.

RESIDENTS

Tim Jordan voiced concerns regarding the dust coming from the Cotton Gin.

REPORTS

Police Department

Chief Ronnie Adams presented the monthly police report.

Fire Department

Chief T.J. Gantner presented the fire department report and discussed lighting for the helicopter pad and pay for an individual who resigned mid-year.

- Motion to approve splitting half the cost of the helicopter pad lighting (\$4,392.00) with the fire department made by Alderman Gardner; seconded by Alderman Vandever.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

- Motion to approve pay for the fire calls attended by the individual who resigned made by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Vandever.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

Maintenance Department

Chief of Maintenance Manuel Spraggs presented the Public Works report.

- Motion to approve the purchase of an injector pump (pending warranty details) in the amount of \$2,550.00 made by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Vandever.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

- Motion to approve the purchase of wire for the police parking garage for \$1,200.00 made by Alderman Vandever; seconded by Alderman Wareham.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

- Motion to approve trailer repairs by Wescoat Trailers for \$600.00 made by Alderman Gardner; seconded by Alderman Wareham.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

Financial Report

City Clerk April Spraggs presented the October financial report. Council members reviewed and signed off on invoices.

- Motion to approve the lease payment of \$12,000.00 made by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Gardner.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

S. Calvin St. Ditch Project

Mayor Harris provided an update on the ditch project on S. Calvin Street.

BMU Rates

Council discussed the new BMU rates and agreed to revisit the matter in January.

Dart League Sponsorship

Motion to approve a \$100 sponsorship for the dart league made by Alderman Gardner; seconded by Alderman Wareham.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

Christmas Baskets

Motion to approve a \$2,000.00 budget for Christmas baskets made by Alderman Wareham; seconded by Alderman Gardner.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

Light for Water Tower

Council discussed bids for lighting at the water tower. No action taken.

Public Works Boots and Coats

Motion to approve the purchase of boots and coats for Public Works employees at \$300 per person made by Alderman Gardner; seconded by Alderman Wareham.

Vote:

- Alderman Vandever – Aye
- Alderman Russom – Aye
- Alderman Wareham – Aye
- Alderman Gardner – Aye

Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

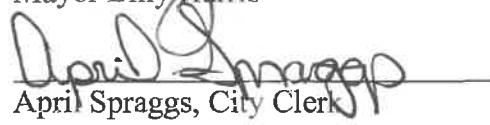
Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Gardner; seconded by Alderman Wareham.
Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.



Mayor Billy Harris

Date: 12-15-25



April Spraggs, City Clerk

Date: 12-15-25