

Council Meeting City Council
145 S. Main
Mason City, IL 62664
March 9th, 2026 6:00 P.M.

Call to order by Mayor Kevin Snyder at 6:00 P.M.

Council members physically present were Julie Mize, Scott Whitehead, Shari Klassen, Brian Durbin, Gerald Mahin, and Danny Mason. Treasurer Mike Griffin, Superintendent Don Osborn, Ben McCormick, and Clerk Michele Whitehead also attended the meeting. Guests present were Frank McMahan, Bill Riegel and Carson Harris.

R26-14 Alderman Mason moved, seconded by Alderman Durbin to approve the minutes, Treasurer's report and bills.

Ayes: Mize, Whitehead, Klassen, Durbin, Mahin, Mason.

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

A liquor license application was submitted by Adriana Sanchez. She is requesting a Class A license so that she may have a small video slots establishment. Ms. Sanchez has already registered with the County and completed her application for the city.

R26-15 Alderman Whitehead moved, seconded by Alderman Mize to approve the liquor license request from Adriana Sanchez.

Ayes: Mize, Whitehead, Klassen, Mason.

Nays: Durbin, Mahin

Chairman declared motion carried.

The topic of Kratom was discussed. Kratom is a tropical tree. The tree's leaves produce a stimulant or a sedative effect depending on the dosage. It can lead to psychotic issues. Kratom is sold in liquid form at many gas stations or convenience stores. It is very dangerous and has been listed by the DEA as a drug and chemical of concern. After some discussion, the Council decided to ban the sale of Kratom in Mason City.

R26-16 Alderman Klassen moved, seconded by Alderman Durbin to approve banning the sale of Kratom in Mason City.

Ayes: Mize, Whitehead, Klassen, Durbin, Mahin, Mason.

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

R26-17 Alderman Mize moved, seconded by Alderman Klassen to approve the hiring of Billy Riegel as ordinance enforcement and animal control on a 20hr work week at a pay rate of \$20.00 hour.

Ayes: Mize, Klassen, Durbin, Mahin, Mason.

Nays: Whitehead

Chairman declared motion carried.

In the area of general information, the City Cleanup will be held on June 22nd, 2026.

Race car tires will NOT be permitted to be disposed of during this years' clean up. Any items left out after the disposal company has completed the cleanup will be the owner's responsibility to pick up and dispose of. All remaining items will be given a time limit to be picked up after the cleanup is completed.

Superintendent Osborn stated the City's SCADA system covers the cybersecurity concerns. He also reported that the IDOT garage on Rt 29 is interested in hooking up to City water.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Michele L Whitehead, City Clerk

Kevin M. Snyder, Mayor