



City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

June 01, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Jefferson City Municipal Building

1. Call to Order

Opening Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

2. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Mitch Cain

Vice Mayor Kevin Bunch

Councilwoman Ailene Combs

Councilman Rocky Melton

Councilwoman Sheala Purkey

Also present were James Gallup, City Manager; Robert Burts, City Attorney; and Bettina Chandler, City Recorder.

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Motion made by Councilman Melton, Seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch to approve both sets of minutes as presented.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- a. Minutes from May 4, 2026 Regular Meeting
- b. Minutes from May 19, 2026 Beer Board Meeting

4. Citizen Comments (Citizens should state their name, address, and limit comments to five minutes.)

- a. **Public Hearing** for Ordinance 2026-03 to Levy a Tax on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of Jefferson City

Mayor Cain said the tax rate would remain at the same rate of \$1.20.

There were no comments.

- b. **Public Hearing** for Ordinance 2026-04 Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027

Mayor Cain said that the proposed budget is approximately \$16,000,000.

There were no comments.

5. Communications from the Mayor

Mayor Cain thanked the Vice Mayor for leading the last two meetings during his absence.

He announced the groundbreaking for the new Food City would be on June 16th at 10:00am. The April sales tax is up 5.66%.

- a. **Approve** Resolution 2026-13 Honoring Tony Cate for His Courageous and Selfless Act on The Morning of April 21, 2026, at Lakeview Market

Mayor Cain read the Resolution aloud. Motion made by Councilwoman Combs, Seconded by Councilwoman Purkey to approve Resolution 2026-13.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

A signed copy of the Resolution was presented to Mr. Tony Cate.

6. Reports from Committees, Council Members, and other Officers

- a. **Five Year Capital Outlay Report.** Presentation from Frank McDaniel

Mr. McDaniel presented a review of the projected capital projects. He also presented the growth of the cash balances during the last years.

- b. **Building/Codes/Planning Department Monthly Report.** Receive a report from Jeff Houston, Building Inspector, concerning a summary of the department's activity for May 2026.

- c. **Fire Department Monthly Report.** Receive a report from Lee Turner, Fire Chief, concerning a summary of the department's activity for May 2026.

- d. **Parks and Recreation Monthly Report.** Receive a report from Kevin Bolden, Parks & Recreation Director, concerning a summary of the department's activity of May 2026.

- e. **Police Department/City Court Monthly Report.** Receive a report from Andy Dossett, Police Chief, concerning a summary of the department's activity for May 2026.

- f. **Public Works Monthly Report.** Receive a report from Porter Massengill, Public Works Director, concerning a summary of the department's activity for May 2026.

- g. **City Manager Monthly Report.** Receive a report from James Gallup, City Manager, concerning a summary of his activity for May 2026.

Mr. Gallup said the Beautification Committee will meet this Thursday at 5:30pm. There is a new director for the Senior Center, Ms. Christina Smith. He reviewed several upcoming dates.

7. Appointments

- a. **Appoint** Mike Dockery and Jeanne Musick to the Historic Zoning Commission by Mayoral appointment for a five-year term.

Motion made by Councilwoman Combs, Seconded by Councilwoman Purkey to appoint Mr. Dockery & Ms. Musick to the Historic Zoning Commission.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- b. Appoint** Joe Payne to the Jefferson County Library Board by Council appointment for a three-year term.

Motion made by Councilwoman Purkey, Seconded by Councilman Melton to appoint Mr. Payne to the Library Board.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

8. Acceptance of Bids/Professional Services/Leases/Grants

- a. Approve** Interlocal Agreement between Jefferson County and the City for Rehabilitation of Mossy Creek Wildlife Viewing Area

Motion made by Vice Mayor Bunch, Seconded by Councilman Melton to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Jefferson County.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- b. Approve** Request for Change Order 1 - TDEC ARP Sewer Rehab Project

Motion made by Councilwoman Combs, Seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch to approve Change Order #1 as presented.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- c. Accept and approve** bids for RFB 26-08: Sidewalk Improvements Project Diabetes Phase 1

Motion made by Councilwoman Purkey, Seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch to accept and approve the bids.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

9. Old Business

- a. Approve on Second Reading** Ordinance 2026-03 to Levy a Tax on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of Jefferson City

Motion made by Councilman Melton, Seconded by Councilwoman Combs to approve Ordinance 2026-03 on second reading.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- b. Approve on Second Reading** Ordinance 2026-04 Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027

Ms. Chandler reviewed several changes from the first reading of the ordinance to the second.

Motion made by Councilman Melton, Seconded by Councilwoman Combs to approve Ordinance 2026-04 on second reading.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- c. **Approve on Second Reading** Ordinance 2026-05 Amending and Updating the Stormwater Management Regulations for the City of Jefferson City

Motion made by Vice Mayor Bunch, Seconded by Councilman Melton to approve Ordinance 2026-05 on second reading.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

10. New Business

- a. **Approve** Independence Day Celebration to be held at Roy Harmon Park

Motion made by Councilwoman Combs, Seconded by Councilwoman Purkey to hold the Independence Day Celebration at Roy Harmon Park.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- b. **Approve on First Reading** Ordinance 2026-06 Amending the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year 2025-26

Motion made by Councilman Melton, Seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch to approve Ordinance 2026-06 on first reading.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- c. **Approve on First Reading Ordinance 2026-07** Prohibiting U-Turns at the Median of Highway 11-E at the Intersection of Clinchview Circle and Chucky Pike

Motion made by Vice Mayor Bunch, Seconded by Councilwoman Purkey to approve Ordinance 2026-07 on first reading.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilwoman Purkey

Voting Nay: Councilman Melton

- d. **Approve** Resolution 2026-12 An Agreement Between the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation and the City of Jefferson City for Maintenance of State Highways Through Municipalities

Motion made by Councilwoman Purkey, Seconded by Councilwoman Combs to approve Resolution 2026-12.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

- e. **Approve** Resolution 2026-14 Discuss Proposed Corn & Bacon Festival at Mossy Creek

Motion made by Councilwoman Purkey, Seconded by Vice Mayor Bunch to approve Resolution 2026-14.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cain, Vice Mayor Bunch, Councilwoman Combs, Councilman Melton, Councilwoman Purkey

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.