

September 15, 2026

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room at Pittsfield City Hall at 215 N Monroe Street. The following officers were present: Gary Mendenhall, Mayor, Deputy City Clerk Melissa Wilson; Alderperson Bill Grimsley, Paul Lennon, Chris Little, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, and Robert Wilson; Kevin Wombles was present by phone; Kevin Ketchum was absent.

Alderperson White moved to approve the September 01, 2026, city council minutes.

Alderperson Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Alderperson White moved to approve the August 2026 Monthly Treasurer's Report.

Alderperson Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Mayor Mendenhall stated that asphalt crews were scheduled to be here on October 5.

No Public Comment

The Public Safety Committee met tonight; general discussion was held. The committee learned that Officer McAllister has completed the academy; he will now shadow other officers. New flashlights have been purchased for each squad and officer. Walmart has fenced a portion of the parking lot for the Water Sprinkler System.

The Ordinance Committee did not have any discussion.

Alderperson White moved to approve Ordinance No. 1778 Historic Preservation Ordinance, on its first reading by title only.

Alderperson Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Alderperson White moved to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance No. 1778 Historic Preservation Ordinance.

Alderperson Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little
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	Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
Nay:	NONE (0)
Present:	NONE (0)

Aldersperson White moved to approve Ordinance No. 1778 Historic Preservation Ordinance, on its second reading by title only.

Aldersperson Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson White moved to approve Ordinance No. 1780 – Annual Tax Levy on its second reading by title only.

Aldersperson Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Lennon moved to approve Resolution 2026-09 – A resolution waiving the mileage requirements for Jason Clendenny – Gas and Water Superintendent.

Aldersperson Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson White moved to accept the low bid of \$ 24,000.00 from Joe Petty Construction to replace the roof of the Showerhouse at King Park Pool.

Aldersperson Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Little moved to accept the bid from Damon Plumbing for the replacement of the Sludge Pump at the Wastewater Plant.

Aldersperson Ritchart seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)
	Nay:	NONE (0)

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Present: NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Mayor Mendenhall read a Workforce Development Month Proclamation.

Aldersperson Little moved to approve the intergovernmental agreement between the City of Pittsfield and the County of Pike for the construction and maintenance of Public Infrastructure with respect to oil and chip work on County Highway 11

Aldersperson White seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)

Nay: NONE (0)

Present: NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson White moved to approve the Passport to Pittsfield Campaign and the purchase of a \$100 gift card from each participating business as a giveaway.

Aldersperson Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)

Nay: NONE (0)

Present: NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Ritchart moved to pay bills as stated by the City Clerk.

Aldersperson White seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Yea: Grimsley, Lennon, Little,
Ritchart, White, Wombles (7)

Nay: NONE (0)

Present: NONE (0)

The motion carried.

New Business:

Tom Reinhardt stated that salt will not be used on the new sidewalks; he is researching additional options to be distributed to businesses. Snow plow alternatives around the square is also being researched. The pickleball court at Lowry Park is open, and the lights have been installed. The border and chip have been installed at the playground equipment donated by the Ty Rylander Memorial Fund.

Max Middendorf stated that MECO the monthly PCEDCC mixer will be held on September 25 from 10:00 am – 2pm and MECO will also be celebrating their 25th anniversary.

Aldersperson White moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:43 p.m.