

November 04, 2025

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, December 02, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room at the Pittsfield City Hall at 215 N Monroe Street. The following officers were present: Mayor Gary Mendenhall, City Deputy Clerk Melissa Wilson, Alderperson Bill Grimsley, Kevin Ketchum, Paul Lennon, Chris Little, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, Robert Wilson, and Kevin Wombles.

Alderperson Ketchum moved to approve the November 18, 2025, city council minutes.

Alderperson Grimsley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Mayor's Announcements:

Mayor stated the Emergency Snow Route around the square was enacted and there were approximately 20 cars that remained on the square. The Snow Route protocols will be enforced.

Interviews will be held next week for the vacant position in the Gas and Water Department as well as the Street and Alley Department.

Deer Santa Festival is Sunday, December 6 from 4-6pm.

The meeting that was to be held with the Airport Engineer was cancelled and we are working on rescheduling.

No Public Comments

Alderperson Whited advised that the Finance Committee met, general discussion was held.

Alderperson Wilson stated that the utilities committee met today an additional lift station and the County Roots Subdivision was discussed. The committee also discussed the upcoming water meter reading system replacement.

Alderperson Wombles stated that the Street and Alley Committee met today. The main topic of discussion was Snow Removal.

Cora Etta Root addressed the council to request an additional lift station. This would cover an additional 7 lots. The council asked that she gather additional information and report back to Mayor. The matter will then be placed on the agenda for review.

Alderperson Wombles moved to approve Ordinance No. 1757 – An Ordinance Providing for the Installation of a Stop Sign within the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on Madison and Kellogg Street on its first reading, by title only.

Alderperson Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

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The motion carried.

Aldersperson Ketchum moved to approve Ordinance No. 1758 – An Ordinance Providing for the Installation of a Stop Sign within the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on Lowry at Clinton on its first reading, by title only.

Aldersperson Little seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart (5)
	Nay:	Ritchart, White, Wombles (3)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Little moved to approve Ordinance No. 1759 – An Ordinance Regulating Wind and Solar Renewable Energy Systems within the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its first reading, by title only.

Aldersperson Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Wombles moved to approve Ordinance No. 1760 – An Ordinance Amending Title XV (Land Usage) of the City of Pittsfield Code by Adopting a Revised Chapter 156 (Zoning Code) within the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, on its first reading, by title only.

Aldersperson Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

Aldersperson White moved to approve the cash rent farm lease agreement with Cody Piper, Piper Farms, for 20 acres of cropland at Industrial Park West.

Aldersperson Lennon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

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

Aldersperson Ketchum seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Yea:	Grimsley, Ketchum, Lennon, Little, Ritchart, White, Wilson, Wombles (8)
	Nay:	NONE (0)
	Present:	NONE (0)

The motion carried.

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New Business:

Alderman Ritchart complimented the Public Works Department on the snow removal.

Alderman Wombles also complimented on snow removal.

Chief Starman stated that the new guns have arrived and training is ongoing.

Alderpersion White moved to adjourn this meeting at 7:00 p.m.
