

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, Pike County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, July 07, 2026, 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 Clerk Ann Moffit, Alderperson Bill Grimsley, Kevin Ketchum, Paul Lennon, Chris Little, Robert Ritchart, Beth White, and Robert Wilson. Alderperson Kevin Wombles is absent.

Alderperson Grimsley seconded the motion.

Present: NONE (0)

Mayor's Announcements:

A downtown ribbon-cutting is in the planning process for the completion of the Downtown Revitalization project.

Public Comments: None

The Utilities Committee met and discussed the tornado sirens. The downtown siren has been ordered. The other sirens have not been ordered yet, as there is a potential grant available that is being researched.

The Street and Alley Committee met and Superintendent John Neupauer advised the committee that he is learning everything such as computer programs and scheduling very quickly. His department should begin street patches, starting with Fayette Street, and sidewalk repairs this week. Cordell McKee has resigned from the department, there was discussion about a replacement for the position as well as the lake position.

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Aldersperson Ritchart moved to approve the temporary road closure of Mississippi Street from Washington Street to Adams Street on August 1, 2026 from 9am to 12pm.

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

Present: NONE (0)

Alderperson White seconded the motion.

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

Present: NONE (0)

Mayor Mendenhall stated that we still need members for the historical preservation committee. He also stated that the Fire Department has taken possession of the new Fire Truck.

Aldersperson Ritchart stated that he has observed the Madison Street and Fayette Street intersection, he does not believe it will be safe to make that street one way until the corners are changed to narrow the approach.

Alderperson Grimsley asked if any blacktop overlay is planned for this year. Max Middendorf stated that Alderperson Wombles has the plan and should be sharing that with the Public Works Director.

Public Works Director Tom Reinhardt stated that a portion of the new sidewalk on Adams Street had to be cut due to a leak.

Max Middendorf stated that the grant application for the Grove Street Project has been submitted.

Brittney Emerick stated that the OSLAD Grant application process is open and she is reapplying.

Sgt Weir stated that Weston McAllister is doing very well in the academy.

Aldersperson White moved to adjourn this meeting at 6:31 p.m.