

**City of Battlefield
Board of Aldermen
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2026**

1. Ceremonial Matters.

- a. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Alderman Ben Clemmons.
- b. **Opening Prayer** led by Alderman Ashley Anderson.

2. Roll Call.- City Clerk Beth Anne West led roll call with the following Board Members present: Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. Aldermen Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the vote. A quorum was present so the meeting could proceed. The following Staff were present; Building Inspector Trey Davis, Beth Anne West, City Clerk and Brent Armstrong Police Chief.

3. Call to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Mark Crabtree at Battlefield City Hall 5434 S. Tower Drive, Battlefield, MO 65619.

4. Mayor Report. Mayor Mark Crabtree attended the following meetings SREP and OTO since the last meeting.

5. Board of Aldermen Report. None.

6. Fire/Police Report. Police report written provided in packet. Police Chief Brent Armstrong mentioned the new equipment being placed at various places in the City.

7. Adoption and Approval of Consent Agenda Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve and adopt the Consent Agenda including items a-e: May 19, 2026, Board of Aldermen regular session meeting minutes; Bills to approve in the amount of \$0.00; Bills paid in the amount of \$105,103.29; Sewer/Parks-Refunds paid in the amount of \$558.96; Sewer Adjustments in the amount of \$86.38 for the Month of April 2026. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Aldermen Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell. Motion passed.

8. Public Input.

Nathan Westmoreland-5008 S. Aspen Dr. Battlefield, MO 65619-Proposed budget for Fiscal Year 27. Mr. Westmoreland voiced his opinion on the potential purchase of Flock Cameras to be used by the Police Department in conjunction with other cities in Springfield, Republic, and other surrounding communities to aid in the capture of people who seek to evade the law and keep citizens safe. Mr. Westmoreland provided reference to materials where those cameras have been used against citizens and or misused.

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9. Presentation by Central Bank on City's Accounts. *Postponed to Next meeting in June.*

10. Unfinished Business

a. Review of Proposed Budget. City Administrator Chris McPhail had the budget printed on larger paper for ease of seeing all the various figures and explained the Capital Improvement Plan and the process it took to get all this information on what needs to be done and/or planned for successive years for the cities needs to be met. Mr. McPhail discussed all the various departments needs and how they are broken down in the budget. Discussion followed on the use of flock cameras and how they are used in surrounding cities plus how the popular ring cameras can be used similarly like these cameras can be used to see license plates so they can be tracked from Springfield or other cities that also use them. Mr. McPhail mentioned how retail outlets use facial recognition when you enter their lots and/or stores with cameras to collect data and use when trying to track would be perpetrators.

11. Discussion and Possible Vote to Authorize Road Repair on 2nd Street including replacing Culvert near fire district entrance. Mr. McPhail outlined the estimate for lowering the gas line owned by City Utilities (CU) which was quoted at a cost of \$5,500.00, that would be added to the bid total for the project, Mr. McPhail stated that after the initial bid request was made from the vendors, it was found the line would need to be lowered so that would need to be considered. Discussion followed on the three bids received from Farr Better Plumbing \$38,573.20; TJ's Excavating at \$39,000.00; and K and B Construction whose bid was \$60,000.00. Mr. McPhail noted that the City has worked with all three vendors in past and that he would recommend the bid with Farr Better Plumbing. Mr. McPhail stated that the Fire District, Mr. Anderson, specifically, would agree the area near their property needs to be fixed to resolve flooding issues. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve bid submitted by Farr Better Plumbing for \$38,573.20 plus the cost to lower the gas line (City Utilities-CU) at \$5,500.00 for a total of \$44,073.20. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. The Vote was 4 Ayes- Ayes- Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Aldermen Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell. Motion passed.

12. New Business

a. Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Liquor License Renewals for 2027.

- i. Wire Road Brewery-(Microbrewery)
- ii. Rapid Roberts-(Package License)
- iii. Jym's Investments, LLC DBA Country Mart (formerly White Oak Station)
- iv. Battlefield Eagle Stop-(Package License)
- v. Karma Enterprises LLC DBA Discount Express 3 (package liquor)
- vi. DolgenCorp. LLC., DBA Dollar General- (Package Liquor)
- vii. Palazzo's Italian Restaurant (Resort License)

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Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve the liquor license renewals for 2027 contingent upon state licensing. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed.

- b. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Bill #26-22, an Ordinance adopting an annual budget for fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2026, and appropriating funds pursuant thereto. (first reading only).** City Administrator Chris McPhail noted this would only be the first reading at this meeting and the next and final reading could occur at the June 16th Meeting. Discussion followed on Capital Improvement items specifically Flock Cameras and what other items could be purchased if that were not included in the budget for this fiscal year. City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-22 by title only for the first time. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve the first reading of Bill #26-22 by title only for the first time. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.
- c. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Bill #26-23, an Ordinance setting forth the duties, rate of pay and term of office of the City Clerk. (first reading only).** City Administrator Chris McPhail stated this would also be just the first reading of this bill and that at the next meeting the amount of pay would need to be added once the budget is passed to confirm that amount of Salary. City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-23 by title only for the first time. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve the first reading of Bill #26-23 by title only for the first time. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.
- d. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Bill #26-24, An Ordinance authorizing City Administrator and/or Mayor to Enter into Agreement for Proposal for Right-of-Way Services-Wilson Creek Extension Trail -TAP 9901 (883) with O. R. Colan Associates.** City Administrator Chris McPhail explained this would allow the city to get the right-of-way needed for the sidewalk project. City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-24 by title only for the first time. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve the first reading of Bill #26-24 by title only for the first time. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman

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Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed. City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-24 for the second and last time by title only Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to approve the second and final reading of Bill #26-24 by title only and make it Ordinance 26-24. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Matt McNitt, Ben Clemmons, Kevin Britt, and Ashley Anderson. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.

- e. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Bill #26-25, An Ordinance authorizing City Administrator and/or Mayor to Enter into Addendum #02 to Contract #2021-1156 with the City of Springfield for Wastewater Service for the City of Battlefield.** City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-25 by title only for the first time. Motion was made by Alderman Ashley Anderson to approve the first reading of Bill #26-25 by title only for the first time. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed. City Clerk Beth Anne West read bill #26-25 for the second and last time by title only Motion was made by Alderman Ben Clemmons to approve the second and final reading of Bill #26-25 by title only and make it Ordinance 26-25. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.
- f. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Authorize City Administrator to Close Police Training Fund. (Bank Account).** City Administrator Chris McPhail noted this account was set up before show-me courts went into effect when funds was separated out to set aside for training funds for the police. Now a new process is in place with the new software associated with show-me courts therefore this account can be closed. Mr. McPhail stated the funds would be transferred over to the General Fund to close out this fiscal year since the police department falls under the General Fund too. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to Authorize City Administrator to Close Police Training Fund. (Bank Account). Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.
- g. **Discussion and Possible Vote to Authorize City Administrator to Close old Bond Account for Court. (Bank Account).** Motion was made by Alderman Ben Clemmons to Authorize City Administrator to Close old Bond Account for

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Court. (Bank Account). City Administrator noted that when Show-Me courts was instituted this account was already established and, in the transition, it was not closed out and the court clerk is currently going through old records to tie to those funds collected to transfer over to show-me courts software so the account can be closed out because a new bank account was created for show-me courts. Mr. McPhail noted the funds could be transferred into the general fund account since they fall under the general fund. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed.

h. Discussion and Possible Vote to Authorize City Administrator to Award Bid for Trail of Tears Connector & 4th St. Sidewalk Improvements TAP-9901 (859).

City Administrator Chris McPhail explained 7 bids were received and that he recommended Liming Concrete be awarded the bid, noting they had done a similar project for the City and had done an excellent job. Mr. McPhail noted the material included in the packet from our engineer detailing the bid tab. Mr. McPhail noted the sidewalk would go from Elm Street to Farm Road 131. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt, to authorize City Administrator to Award Bid for Trail of Tears Connector & 4th St. Sidewalk Improvements TAP-9901 (859). Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A vote was taken and the vote was 4-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting Motion passed.

i. Discussion and Possible Vote to Approval Disposal of Computers per Disposal List from Police Department before end of fiscal year.

City Administrator Chris McPhail reported that the computers listed had been determined to be of no use, so the thought was to remove them from the list to be maintained to reduce operation cost before end of year. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt approve list as presented in the packet. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ashley Anderson. A vote was taken and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cuntio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed.

13. Executive Session

a. Discussion and Possible Vote to Discuss Potential Litigation. RSMO.610.021. (1) Closed Session. Closed Vote. Close Record.

b. Discussion and Possible Vote to Discuss Hiring, Firing, Discipling, or Promotion of Employees, Personnel Records, Performance Ratings, or Records, Pertaining to Employees, or Applications for Employment under

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RSMO.610.021. (3) & (13). Closed Session. Closed Vote. Close Record.

Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to go into executive session at 7:39 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons, and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed. Mayor Mark Crabtree noted that no votes were taken during executive session. Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to go into open session and adjourn immediately at 7:53 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Matt McNitt, Ben Clemmons, Kevin Britt, and Ashley Anderson. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed.

14. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Alderman Matt McNitt to go into open session and adjourn immediately at 7:53 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ben Clemmons. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Matt McNitt, Ben Clemmons, Kevin Britt, and Ashley Anderson. 0 Nays. Alderman Doug Cunio and Scott Campbell were absent for the meeting. Motion passed.

Mark Crabtree Mayor Mark Crabtree 6/16/2026 Date

ATTEST:

Beth Anne West City Clerk Beth Anne West 6-16-2026 Date

Reading and Vote to Approve Minutes: 6 Ayes- Doug Cunio, Scott Campbell, Ashley Anderson, Kevin Britt, Ben Clemmons and Matt McNitt. Objections all Board members were present for the vote. 6-16-2026

Date Minutes approved: June 16, 2026.

