

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 3, 2026  
6:00 P.M.**

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette Ave., Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Craig Thompson; Council Members Drew Green, Jim Papreck, Jeremy Gibson, Carter Fawkes, John Allen, Dan Brandt and Harold Simmons; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Elizabeth Bellamy and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member Nathan Swisher excused absent.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Green, to adopt the agenda as written. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Allen, to approve Special Session Minutes of January 14, 2026 and Regular Session Minutes of January 20, 2026.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:**

No report.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

Council Member Gibson gave the Fire Department report for the month of January:

Responded to six fires in the city; seven in the county.

Responded to eight hazardous situations in the city, one in the county.

Responded to twelve medical calls in the city, one in the county.

Responded to five false alarms.

Responded to six good intent calls.

Responded to thirteen public service calls.

Responded to one rescue.

Total calls – sixty.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**

Council Member Brandt gave the following stormwater tip:

Construction sites of one acre or more are required to have a stormwater management plan before construction can begin. A permit is required. Make sure your contractor

knows the rules. Where stormwater flows, everything goes!

Council Member Brandt reported the Committee met on January 29, 2026. The Municipal Services Department has completed their street evaluations and are working on a three year plan including scenarios with a sales tax and without a sales tax. Council Member Brandt discussed a detailed mill and overlay plan along with an extensive slurry plan. All of this will be presented to community members via public meetings beginning in February. There will also be pamphlets with QR codes and information on the City's website. The Committee plans to schedule another meeting this week.

The Compost Area was closed last week due to the weather. They are now back to winter hours of Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Saturdays 7 a.m. until noon.

Council Member Green spoke about the need for a street tax. The Sanitation Department was sold 3 years ago and some of that money was used for an extensive street program. The \$4.18 that is collected from citizens goes to maintain the Sanitation Department including the purchase of a street sweeper. We need help from the citizens in order to continue doing the streets. We are asking for one million dollars per year for three years, then it will go back to voters to decide.

**PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:**

Council Member Papreck reported revenues are at \$6,353,000 or 43.75% of budgeted amounts and expenditures are at \$6,749,000 or 43.52% of budgeted amounts. Everything looks great so far.

Council Member Fawkes said quite a few City projects are done with grant funding. We are active in applying for grants and have been successful doing so. The City received approximately \$1,448,000 in grant funding in 2024; approximately \$3,961,000, in 2025 and have received \$74,646 so far in 2026.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

City Administrator JD Kehrman reported the City has received \$2 million in funding from Economic Development for the storm sewer on Boyd Street and has also received FEMA funding for work behind Eastwood School. The City has received grant funding associated with the sidewalks at Miami and College. The weather has slowed the projects but administrative work still continues.

Municipal Services crews will be at the smokestack site to finish clean up work.

Mr. Kehrman said there are weekly meetings regarding the power generation plant project, and those will continue.

Mr. Kehrman thanked Municipal Services, Randy Cornine and Jill Gieseleman for their work on the street tax information.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Thompson reported that a Contractor's meeting was held on January 29, 2026. He will get back with people next week with answers to their questions.

Mark Manville with IBTS was here at City Hall today for any members of the public that have questions.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

There was no business from the audience.

### **APPOINTMENT**

#### **APPOINTMENT – LIBRARY BOARD:**

Mayor Thompson presented the following Library Board appointment for Council consideration and approval:

#### Library Board

Brian Lovell – New Appointment – Term Expires July 2027

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to approve the appointment as presented. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor, Swisher excused absent.

### **ORDINANCES**

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND SEPTAGON CONSTRUCTION” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Gibson, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Fawkes, Allen, Brandt, Simmons, Green, Papreck and Gibson voting aye; Swisher excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Ordinance No. 8922.

Marshall Municipal Utilities General Manager Jeff Bergstrom said the proposed ordinance will provide for modifications to a natural gas line. Mr. Bergstrom asked Council to consider both readings this evening.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY, LLC” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Allen, Brandt, Simmons, Green, Papreck, Gibson and Fawkes voting aye; Swisher excused absent.

Ordinance No. 8923 entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY, LLC” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Green, seconded by Papreck. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Simmons, Green, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye; Swisher excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Mayor Thompson said the next proposed ordinance is an annual agreement.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI AND SALINE COUNTY, MISSOURI” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Gibson, to approve the first reading. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Simmons, Green, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye; Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Allen, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Brandt and Simmons voting aye; Swisher excused absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8924 entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Papreck, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Brandt, Simmons and Green voting aye; Swisher excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

### **OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS**

Council Member Papreck said he has heard some concerns about lack of code enforcement and would like to have administration figure out a solution with some sort of formal process.

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Allen, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Swisher excused absent. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Julie A Lewis  
City Clerk