

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2026
6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 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 Gavin Mills, Jim Papreck, Jeremy Gibson, Carter Fawkes, John Allen, Peggy Sherman, Michael Varner and Harold Simmons; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Elizabeth Bellamy and City Clerk Julie Lewis.

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

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Simmons, to approve the Regular Session Minutes of June 2, 2026. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Council Member Gibson gave the Marshall Police Department report for May:

<u>Traffic Stops:</u> 285	<u>Warrants:</u>
Citations 60	Municipal Court 12
Arrests 17	
DWI and Other Traffic 6	

Officers Calls for Service: 1758 Average of 56 calls per day
Police Reports Taken: 138 Average of 4 reports per day
Arrests: 46

Animal Shelter:

Citations 14	Dogs adopted 1
Dogs and puppies picked up 7	Cats returned to owners 0
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Dogs returned to owners 4	

Nuisance:

6 open nuisance cases	13 closed nuisance cases
3 signs out	7 summons issued; 5 tickets issued
24 nuisances since 01/01/2026	

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Fawkes reported on Airport Fuel Sales for May:
Jet A – 523 gallons sold 100LL – 1004 gallons sold

Debris from recent storms is currently being picked up, crews will start on Wards 3 and 4 tomorrow.

The new street sweeper has been received and put into action.

Council Member Fawkes asked residents not to blow grass into the streets; it can get into the drains and cause backups.

The state engineer will be here on July 13th for a meeting.

Department heads will meet tomorrow morning.

Council Member Varner said there is a household hazardous waste drop off the fourth Wednesday of each month. It is by appointment only; you can call 660-886-3945 to make an appointment.

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Papreck reported that revenues are at \$11.8 million or 82% of budgeted amounts and expenditures are at \$12.3 million or 79% of budgeted amounts. The City is in line with the budget and looking good. There were no incoming grant funds in May.

The Committee met recently with the City Administrator to discuss real estate.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

Council Member Allen reported the Committee met recently to review potential changes to the vacant property registration ordinance that serves the city's ultimate goal of reducing the number of properties in town that sit vacant for extended periods of time.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

City Administrator JD Kehrman reported that he met with the Community Development and Code Committee on proposed revisions of the vacant property registration ordinance. The revisions include setting performance measures, having and enforcing deadlines, and moving things to some sort of plan or completion rather than paying the annual fee and maintaining a vacant property. A draft amendment is currently being worked on for presentation to Council.

FEMA made contact with the City last week regarding recent storm damage; if you have any damage to structures, please contact the City.

Mr. Kehrman updated the Council on three stormwater projects. The project north of Eastwood received a \$1 million award from FEMA to replace approximately 1600 feet of damage pipe; local match is \$100,000. The Boyd Street project, near ConAgra, is a very old system that is problematic; funding of \$2 million was awarded by EDA with a \$400,000 local match. The sinkhole near La Paz will require construction of a storm box; the box and installation will total approximately \$100,000.

Mr. Kehrman said the stormwater problem here is very real, problematic and expensive. The three projects total \$3.5 million for a ½ mile. With that in mind, Mr. Kehrman stressed that it is critical for new developments to follow the MS4 stormwater standards, not only because they are state and federal laws, but because failure to do so results in flooding throughout town and destruction to properties.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Thompson thanked the Police Department, Fire Department, Marshall Municipal Utilities and Municipal Services Department for their assistance during and after the recent storms.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Garry Goldammer, resident of Cypress Drive, said there is an ongoing nuisance situation in his neighborhood. There are 6 vacant lots that have growth that is at least 3 times the legal limit. This has been happening for several years.

Council Member Papreck said he has driven by and it is a terrible eyesore.

Mayor Thompson said this issue, along with several others, is currently being dealt with.

RESOLUTIONS

A resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, ADOPTING THE 2027 SALINE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN" was read by title only

Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Varner, to approve the resolution. A roll call vote was taken with Fawkes, Allen, Sherman, Varner, Simmons, Mills, Papreck and Gibson voting aye. The Resolution is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Resolution No. 2026-5.

A resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RAM CONTRACTORS LLC" was read by title only.

Marshall Municipal Utilities Controller Tony Bersano explained the contract will provide for 55 miles of conduit and pull boxes for expanded broadband.

Council Member Papreck made a motion, seconded by Allen, to approve the resolution. A roll call vote was taken with Allen, Sherman, Varner, Simmons, Mills, Papreck, Gibson and Fawkes voting aye. The Resolution is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Resolution No. 2026-6.

ORDINANCES

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING WITH FIRST STATE COMMUNITY BANK, AS LESSOR, AND THE MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, AS ADMINISTRATOR, FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY THEREOF” was given its first reading by title only.

MMU Controller Tony Bersano said the proposed ordinance relates to the construction of an IT shop/administration office.

Council Member Mills made a motion, seconded by Papreck, to approve the first reading. A roll call vote was taken with Sherman, Varner, Simmons, Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes and Allen voting aye. 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 Varner, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Varner, Simmons, Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen and Sherman voting aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8938 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 Varner, seconded by Gibson. A roll call vote was taken with Simmons, Mills, Papreck, Gibson, Fawkes, Allen, Sherman and Varner voting aye. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Simmons made a motion, seconded by Gibson, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Julie Lewis
City Clerk