

ASSUMPTION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Bromwell Lodge by Mayor William Herbord who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was answered by Alderpersons Herb Palmer, Kim Porter, Travis Sullivan and Donny Walden. Also, present were Mayor William Herbord, Attorney Andrew Jarmer, Police Chief Seath Hubbs, Treasurer Angel Palmer and City Clerk Janet Waller.

Present in the audience were Engineer Daniel Luca from Chastain's & Associates, Janis Herbord, Ben Thompson, Jordan Stoune, Lila Wempen, Carol Eller, Tanya Rhoades, Dana Owens, Kim Schmitz, Lynn Zuber, and Julie Holthaus.

Absent were Alderpersons Ricky Bradshaw Jr. and Gary Nelsen.

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to approve the minutes of September 3, 2025 City Council Meeting**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

Approval of Bills:

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to approve the payment of the bills as they appear on the Warrant Sheets**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen. There will be a couple of add on's. It will be Verizon and the credit card bill.

Public Comments:

The public attended for an update on 213 Sarah Street.

Public had a couple of questions about the Baxmeyer Subdivision asking when the contract is up for the realtor. They also questioned about the plan after the contract is up and if there is commission for the realtor.

Communications from the Mayor:

Mayor Herbord is still working on the Chestnut Street property and Sarah Street.

All roads on the West Side are oiled and finished. Next year the East Side will be done.

Communications from the City Attorney:

Attorney Jarmer will report as needed on the agenda items.

Communications from the Treasurer:

The amount due on the Water Project is \$71,815.04 by November 6, 2025.

Communications from the Alderpersons

Alderperson Porter questioned on the following:

101 N Chestnut. There are 2 people that own the property. The owners are wanting to rebuild the property.

213 Sarah Street – asked if Attorney has gotten any further in the process. The Attorney will have an update in the near future.

205 N Chestnut and 316 N Hickory are also owned by David Riley and it was questioned if there are liens on those properties as well. Have the properties been condemned yet? Maybe the attorney needs to address all 3 properties at the same time since David Riley owns all of them.

105 N College Street – There is an issue with snakes on the property.

213 Sarah Street - Alderperson Porter has called the Health Department. There was discussion about the cockroaches and the back taxes.

Old Business:

None

Under New Business:

Engineer Daniel Luca updated the council the Water Plant has a roof installed and things continue to move along.

Motion to approve invoice for Water Treatment Plant:

Burdick Heating and Plumbing Disbursement	\$411,685.20
Chastain Invoice	\$11,517.44
Total	\$423,202.64

Council Member Walden, seconded by Palmer, made a **motion to approve the Burdick disbursement for \$411,685.20 and Chastain pay request for \$11,517.44 for a total of \$423,202.64.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Sullivan, Palmer, Porter and Walden voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

A Resolution for J & R Diesel, 301 South Chestnut, was presented. Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Porter, made a **motion to approve Resolution 2025-4 for J & R Diesel, 301 South Chestnut for TIF funds.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

A contract for J & R Diesel, 301 South Chestnut for TIF Funding for \$19,000 minus the application fee of \$570.00 to be paid over 4 years was presented. Council Member Walden, seconded by Sullivan, made the **motion to approve the TIF Contract for J & R Diesel, 301 South Chestnut for \$19,000 minus the application fee of \$570.00 to be paid over 4 years.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

A preliminary ordinance to amend the city code to codify municipal grocery service occupation and municipal grocery retailer's occupation taxes was presented. Council Member Walden, seconded by Sullivan, made a **motion to approve Ordinance 840 to amend the city code to codify municipal grocery service occupation and municipal grocery retailer's occupation taxes.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

The purchase of rock for \$4,000.00 will be used to repay the rock used by the City from the Township during oiling and rocking of the streets. Council Member Sullivan, seconded by Palmer, made a **motion to approve \$4,000.00 of rock to replace rock used from Township for oiling and rocking the City streets.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden and Palmer. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

The council discussed Trick and Treats Hours. The hours will be Thursday, October 30 and Friday, October 31 from 5 to 8 pm. Council Member Porter, seconded by Council Member Palmer, made a **motion to approve Trick or Treat hours from 5 to 8 pm on Thursday, October 20 and Friday, October 31, 2025.** Motion carried with Alderperson Porter, Sullivan, Walden and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Palmer, made a **motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel 5 ILCS 120 (C(1) at 7:31 pm.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

Council Member Porter, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to go back into regular session at 7:37 pm.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

No action taken.

Adjournment:

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made a **motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays. Absent were Bradshaw and Nelsen.

William Herbord
Mayor

Janet Waller
City Clerk

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Palmer, made a **motion to approve the City Council Minutes of October 1, 2025 at the November 1, 2025 City Council Meeting.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter, Palmer, Nelsen and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.