

ASSUMPTION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, November 5, 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 Ricky Bradshaw Jr, Gary Nelsen, Herb Palmer, Kim Porter, Travis Sullivan and Donny Walden. Also, present were Mayor William Herbord, Attorney Stephen Hedinger, Police Chief Seath Hubbs, Employee Dana Owens, 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, Derek Page, Lynn Zuber, Travis VanderMeersch, and Julie Holthaus.

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

Approval of Bills:

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Nelsen, made a **motion to approve the payment of the bills as they appear on the Warrant Sheets**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Bradshaw, Nelsen, Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays.

Public Comments:

The public asked for an update on the Sarah Street house with cockroaches that has been an issue for the past couple years. A second notification is being done and will go to court in the near future. There was a discussion regarding the information that was received from the health department.

A member of the public addressed an issue with a rat infestation at an abandoned house. Mayor Herbord would like to condemn the house. A violation notice will need to be issued.

Communications from the Mayor:

Mayor Herbord informed the council there is a truck for sale from the Village of Moweaqua that our Street Supt would like to purchase.

Mayor Herbord also informed the council that concrete is being poured at the Water Plant.

Communications from the City Attorney:

Attorney Hedinger reported Ordinance Court for 102 N Mary continues. He will need a violation notice to move forward to condemn the house at 116 N Poplar.

The owner of 101 N Chestnut is interested in selling the property to an interested party. There is an issue with another owner of the property that doesn't want to sell. Attorney Hedinger will continue to follow up and update the council on if there is a resolution or if it will continue to the courts.

Communications from the Treasurer:

Nothing to report.

Communications from the Alderpersons

Alderperson Palmer discussed it may be a liability issue for the City to use a piece of equipment versus renting the equipment to put up Christmas Lights.

Old Business:

None

Under New Business:

Engineer Daniel Luca updated the council on the Water Treatment Plant. They continue with pavement work and walls are going up for the office inside the plant.

The Lead Service Project may need a 6 month extension.

The Sanitary Sewer Project continues to work on the final punch list.

Motion to approve invoice for Water Treatment Plant:

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| Burdick Heating and Plumbing Disbursement | \$158,653.80 |
| Chastain Invoice | \$8,567.00 |
| Total | \$167,220.80 |

Council Member Walden, seconded by Bradshaw, made a **motion to approve the Burdick disbursement for \$158,653.80 and Chastain pay request for \$8,567.00 for a total of \$167,220.80.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden, Nelsen, Bradshaw and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays.

Motion to approve Invoice for Sewer:

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| Petersburg Plumbing Pay App | \$74,685.40 |
| Chastain Inv-70 & 71 | \$28,784.63 |
| Total | \$103,470.03 |

Council member Nelsen, seconded by Palmer, made a **motion to approve the Petersburg Plumbing disbursement for \$74,685.40 and Chastain invoices for \$28,784.63 for a total of \$103,470.03.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter, Palmer, Nelsen and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.

Change Order deduct for subtraction of sanitary sewer not used is \$-775.40. Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Palmer, made a **motion to approve a deduct of \$-775.40.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Bradshaw, Nelsen, Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays.

Motion to approve Invoice for Watermain Project:

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| Petersburg Plumbing Pay App | \$17,400.20 |
| Chastain Inv 38 & 39 | \$6,574.70 |
| Total | \$23,974.90 |

Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to approve the disbursement for Petersburg Plumbing for \$17,400.20 and Chastain invoice for \$6,574.70 for a total of \$23,974.90.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Sullivan, Palmer, Nelsen, Porter, Walden and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.

Motion to approve Invoice for Lead Service Project:

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| Petersburg Plumbing Pay App | \$8,568.05 |
| Chastain Inv 25 & 26 | \$9,999.90 |
| Total | \$18,567.95 |

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Nelsen, made a **motion to approve \$8,568.05 for Petersburg Plumbing and \$9,999.90 for Chastain's for a total of \$18,567.95.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Nelsen, Porter, Sullivan, Walden, Bradshaw and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays.

A change order for add and deduct for watermain quantities is \$2,658.00. Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Sullivan, made the **motion to approve the change order for \$2,658.00.** Motion carried with Alderpersons Palmer, Bradshaw, Nelsen, Porter, Walden and Sullivan voting aye and 0 nays.

A sidewalk for 705 E Second would like to use the 50/50 program for sidewalks. The cost will be \$2,400.00. Council Member Palmer, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, made the **motion to approve \$2,400.00 for 705 E Second Street**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden, Nelsen, Bradshaw and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays.

The costs to repair the road and Walnut and Leafland Street will be \$15,000.00. It was discussed the area near the Christian Church should be priority. The area by the church should be able to be fixed by the City depending on the depth of the hole and the other one will need the concrete guy to fix. Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to approve \$15,000.00 for the road repair at Walnut and Leafland**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Sullivan, Palmer, Nelsen, Porter, Walden and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.

The yearly invoice for the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association invoice is \$51,618.13. Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Walden, made a **motion to approve payment of \$51,618.13 of the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association invoice**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter, Palmer, Nelsen and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.

The cost to purchase a new police squad will be around \$41,000. They will give us \$3,000.00 for the 2015 squad. The cost to outfit it will be around \$11,000.00. The council discussed the cost of a new squad versus repair costs. Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to approve the purchase of a 2024 Durango Squad Vehicle from Victory Lane in Carlinville**. Alderpersons Nelsen, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and Alderpersons Bradshaw, Porter and Palmer voting nay. Mayor Herbord voting aye. Motion approved.

Attorney Hedinger discussed the 120 Water Audit and will follow up on the invoice with the collection agency.

The Twinkle Fest will be on Friday, November 28 starting at 5 pm. Chestnut Street will be closed for the Fest. Council Member Sullivan, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, made a **motion to approve the closing of Chestnut Street on Friday, November 28, 2025 at 5 pm to 7 pm**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Bradshaw, Nelsen, Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays.

The dates for the 2026 City Council Meetings are January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2, 2026. Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Nelsen, made a **motion to approve the following dates for the 2026 City Council Meetings: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2, 2026**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Porter, Sullivan, Walden, Nelsen, Bradshaw and Palmer voting aye and 0 nays.

101 N Chestnut was discussed at length on the status and what happens next. Attorney Hedinger explained the status and will continue to work on it.

213 Sarah Street was discussed at length also and Attorney Hedinger explained the efforts to track the owner down and it will be sent to the courts.

116 N Poplar will need a violation notice to the owner to correct the issues and then the process can begin to condemn the property.

No updates on the Baxmeyer subdivision.

It was noted that Ordinance 774 done in December 2021 when expenditures above \$2,500.00 should get quotes when possible for the best price.

Adjournment:

Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Walden, made a **motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 pm**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Sullivan, Porter, Palmer, Nelsen and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays.

William Herbord
Mayor

Janet Waller
City Clerk

Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Palmer, made the **motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2025 City Council Minutes**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Bradshaw, Nelsen, Palmer, Porter, Sullivan and Walden voting aye and 0 nays.