

CITY OF ASSUMPTION
Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall by Alderperson Kim Porter with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was answered by Alderpersons Ricky Bradshaw, Gary Nelsen, Herb Palmer, Kim Porter and Donny Walden. Also present were Mayor William Herbord, Police Officer Kevin Hughes, Street Supt Darin Damery, Water Collector Tanya Rhoades, Water Employee Dana Owens, Treasurer Angel Palmer and City Clerk Janet Waller.

Absent was Alderperson Travis Sullivan and Water Supt Jack Duncan.

Present in the audience were Engineer Ron Legner from Chastain and Associates, Janis Herbord, Hailey Monnet from Whimsical Whiskers, Hailey Sigrist, Dan Davis, Derek Page and Abby Corzine.

Public Comments:

Whimsical Whiskers announced they have a new location at 203 N Chestnut Street. The Department of Agriculture inspector has approved the location and it is sufficient to accommodate a feline rescue. A copy of the inspection was submitted for the City's records.

President of the ACPA would like to use the concession stand on Friday, July 4th. They will be selling popcorn and soda for donations before and during the fireworks.

Also the promoting of the subdivision has been done by the Christian County Economic Development.

Under New Business:

Council Member Walden, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, made a **motion to approve the minutes of May 20, 2025**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Walden, Porter, Palmer, Nelsen and Bradshaw voting aye and 0 nays. Sullivan was absent.

The committee discussed the new location of the Whimsical Whiskers is in commercial property.

Engineer Report by Ron Legner at Chastain and Associates:

An update the Water Treatment Plant project continues to work on electrical conduit and finishing up on the foundation work as well. The walls will be put up soon.

The Sewer Project continues to work in the alley by the Township. They are also working on seeding and grading in the rest of the town.

The Watermain and lead Service Project is also working on seeding and grading. The pavement repairs are mostly finished except on the intersection of Leafland and Old Rt 51.

A disbursement request for the following:

<u>Motion to approve Invoice for Sewer:</u> Petersburg Plumbing Disbursement	\$542,180.82
<u>Motion to approve Invoice for Water Treatment Plant:</u> Burdick Plumbing Disbursement	\$135,415.80
<u>Motion to approve invoice for Water Lead Service Line:</u> Petersburg Plumbing Disbursement	\$122,079.73
<u>Motion to approve invoice for Watermain Project:</u> Petersburg Plumbing Disbursement	\$30,079.36

We continue to wait on checks from the IEPA loan. Disbursements have been requested through the website for the Water Treatment Plant.

NPDES Permit:

Discharge monitoring reports were submitted on Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

Water by Dana Owens:

Hydrant Flushing will be done in July. Notices will need to be posted regarding the flushing.

An emergency temporary repair was done in the area where the watermain near the township building. The cost of supplies for the emergency fix was \$1,498.00. The cost of supplies for the permanent fix will be \$2,672.00.

A 2 year service plan for water testing will be approximately \$2,000.00.

The Consumer Confidence Report will need to be reviewed and sent out to residents by July 1, 2025.

The bulk water has been ripped off the water plant this evening.

Water Collector update by Tanya Rhoades:

55 shut off notices were sent out. Water bills will be mailed this week.

Streets by Darin Damery:

Leafland and Old Rt 51 will be repaired when Dunn Company returns.

Oil and Chip will be pushed back until Petersburg is finished with the Sewer Project.

The committee discussed about possibly replacing some street signs.

Police by Officer Kevin Hughes:

Kevin reported Chief Hubbs is requesting a wage increase for the part-time officer. He would like to move his pay up to \$22-\$25.00 an hour. He makes \$16.00 an hour now.

\$161.50 per police officer per year for is the cost of insurance thru the Fraternal Order of Police.

Parks by Dana Owens:

Summer Recreation could use another employee to help. An application has come in. Committee agreed to go ahead and hire since we previously approved 2 summer helpers.

Subdivision:

An update was given on the sale of lots. No lots sold yet.

The mowing of the subdivision was discussed and possibly will ask John Holthaus.

Abby Corzine reviewed figures regarding TIF and possibly selling 2 lots at a time.

The loan payment for the land will be \$22,000 and \$85,000 for the infrastructure of the subdivision.

Finance by Mayor Herbord:

The audit will be presented at the July council meeting.

The committee discussed raises and a resolution in place. The budget is already in place for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Other:

Mayor Herbord is still waiting on quotes for the Lucky's D's building.

No one has been able to reach the owner of Sarah Street abandoned property.

The water heater at City Hall will cost \$1,200.00 to replace as the current one is leaking.

Public Comments:

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Janet Waller
City Clerk

Council Member Nelsen, seconded by Council Member Walden, made the **motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes for June 17, 2025**. Motion carried with Alderpersons Bradshaw, Nelsen, Palmer, Porter and Walden voting aye and 0 nays. Sullivan was absent.