

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON

July 22, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City of Hamilton Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, from 5:32 p.m. to 8:02 p.m. at City Hall, 200 S. Davis Street, Hamilton, Missouri.

**Present at Meeting:**

Cole Crawford, Mayor  
Robert Grant, West Alderman  
Cameron Fast, West Alderman  
Deedie Esry, East Alderman  
Toni Schmidt, East Alderman

**City Staff present:**

Lauren Dannar, City Administrator  
Leslie Bretz, City Clerk

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Cole Crawford called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Leslie Bretz led those present in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Mayor Cole Crawford requested the agenda be amended to add Item 4a (bills to review and approve). There was a motion by Cameron Fast to approve the amended agenda. Toni Schmidt seconded the motion, and the board voted in favor.
4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes –**  
    June 24, 2025 - Regular Meeting  
    June 24, 2025 – Notice of Public Hearing  
    There was a motion by Deedie Esry to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2025, and the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2025. Cameron Fast seconded the motion, and the board voted in favor.
- 4a. **Review and Approval of Bills:** There was a motion by Deedie Esry to approve the bills. Robert Grant seconded the motion, and the board voted in favor.
5. **Green Hills Code Enforcement:** The board discussed the hiring of a code enforcement officer. The board to review the current nuisance codes.
6. **Project Updates:**
  - a. **Water Plant Improvements:** Lauren reported to the board the improvements at the water plant and upcoming improvements to the chlorination room.
  - b. **Dredging:** Water lagoons at water plant are going to be dredged. The attorneys are reviewing the contract.

c. **MIRMA Compliance:** Lauren reported to the board that MIRMA has checklists public and non-public city facilities that need to be completed monthly and/or quarterly. Lauren has been nominated for the MIRMA board.

d/e. **Audit bookkeeping and Tyler Tech Change-Over:** Lauren informed the board that Kori Reed has been hired as a 1099 employee to input data into QuickBooks for the new billing change-over.

7. **City Organization Ordinances:** There was discussion regarding mayor/city administrator roles. Attorney recommends that a committee is formed to look at ordinances to reflect what the mayoral duties are and what the city administrator's duties are. The board agreed to form the following committees and to appoint the following members:

**Nuisance Committee**

Cole Crawford  
Cameron Fast  
Toni Schmidt  
J.C. Kirkendoll  
Wade Reed

**Organizational Committee**

Lauren Dannar  
Cole Crawford  
Leslie Bretz  
Deedie Esry  
Robert Grant

8. **Public Comment:** None

9. **Old Business:** There was an update on Little Otter Creek. There was discussion regarding Hwy 13 resurfacing. Lauren advised the board that she is working on submitting the grant on behalf of Won by One.

10. **Next Regular Council meeting** is set for August 13, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

11. **Unfinished Business:** None.

**Closed Session:** Pursuant to RsMO 610.21.1, involving personnel issues, legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body, Robert Grant made a motion to close the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Toni Schmidt seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Cameron Fast – aye; Robert Grant – aye; Toni Schmidt; and Deedie Esry – aye. Cameron Fast made a motion to reopen the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Toni Schmidt seconded the motion, and the board voted as follows: Cameron Fast – aye; Robert Grant – aye; Toni Schmidt; and Deedie Esry – aye.

**Adjourn:** Deedie Esry made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Cameron Fast seconded the motion. The board voted as follows: Cameron Fast – aye; Robert Grant – aye; Toni Schmidt; and Deedie Esry – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Leslie Bretz

City Clerk, City of Hamilton